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1,000,000 Jews Don't Vote

by Joel Eizenstat

Several voter registration studies have dramatically shattered the myth that "all Jews always vote." They disclose that nearly one million of the four million eligible Jewish voters are not even registered to vote. (Additionally, tens of thousands of those registered do not cast their ballots.)

Jews have always prided themselves on a deep commitment to, and full participation in, the American electoral process. We have consistently maintained the highest percentage of voters in this country. But, alarmingly, that may now be changing.

Largely because of the apparent apathy of newly enfranchised voters between the ages of 18 and 25 and the increased mobility of our Jewish population (especially senior citizens), Jewish voting behavior is no longer at the admired and important high level of a generation ago.

1996 is a watershed year for the Jewish domestic and Israel agenda. That is why we must pull out all the stops to regain our once acknowledged political clout.

Ohavay Zion Plans for Expansion

by Ricki Rosenberg



Architects Pearson, Bender & Jolly's rendering of the proposed addition for Ohavay Zion Synagogue

September 6 was the kickoff Shabbaton for Vision...Commitment...2000 at Ohavay Zion Synagogue. OZS is planning to break ground on March 1 with a 4000 square foot addition. Feedback will be given to the expansion committee at five different Town Meetings (begun at the end of September). With the congregants' feedback, a building plan will be developed. Possible plans for the expansion might include a larger library, an office, and a kitchen, an increase in the number of classrooms, and an adult and youth lounge. More details will become available after each of the town Meetings.

Are You Registered to Vote? Are all members of your family registered? They should be! The Central Kentucky Jewish Federation can help. You can register to vote at our office, 340 Romany Road, or give us a call at (606) 268-0672 and someone will bring a registration form to you. Time is short. **The voter registration rolls close October 7.**

Remember, Federal elections will be held **Tuesday, November 5.** Please be sure to cast your ballot!

Judy Saxe Elected Hadassah National Vice President

by Holly Barnhill

Judy Saxe, of Lexington, has again been elected a Vice President to the Hadassah National Board. In addition to serving on the Executive Committee, Judy will chair the Israel Programs which oversees the Young Judaea projects.

Hadassah's Young Judaea offers various opportunities for young adults to study in Israel. Currently there are two summer programs for ages 15-17, that have included nearly 600 participants each of the last several years. There is also a 10 month Israel work/study program, for high school graduates, that includes college level credit courses. "Junior Year Plus" is a year study program, for college



The 1996-97 Hadassah National Officers including Judy Saxe, seated second from left

Photo by Lou Buzone

juniors, offered at both Hebrew and Ben-Gurion Universities.

Hadassah has two youth centers in Jerusalem; Hadassah

Youth Center for post high

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Mazel Tov to:

Joel & Linda Eizenstat on the
birth of their daughter,
Annie Beryl,
September 6, 1996.

Mark & Dianne Schneider
on the birth of their son
Zachary Benjamin Schneider,
August 12, 1996.

Alvin Goldman for his book,
*Labor and Employment Law in
the United States*, published by
Kluwer Publishing.

Penny Miller for her article in
the *Kentucky Journal* about
Kids Voting.

Harold Weinberg for his article
about tort claims in the

Consumer Law Quarterly Report,
his recent amendments to the
Uniform Commercial Code
before the 1996 Circuit Judges'
Judicial College at Lake Barkley
State Park, and for placing second
in the Trautman Competition
sponsored by the Center for
Computer-Assisted Legal
Instruction for his computer
tutorial program.

Condolences to:

Ernest & Rosita Rosenzweig on
the death of their daughter,
Susan Rappaport,
September 1, 1996.

Bill & Regina Meece on the
death of Regina's great-aunt,
Miles Hall, September 8, 1996.

Bill Moyers to Promote Interfaith Dialogue on PBS in October

Story from "Jewish Outreach Institute" Bulletin

Premiering on October 16, 1996 on your local PBS stations,
Bill Moyers will host a ten-week series of interfaith dialogues on
the major stories of Genesis. As participants of different religious back-
grounds and different walks of life are led to examine the lessons con-
tained in these stories, so too will viewers be led to look at these stories
with fresh eyes. People interested in learning how to engage in inter-
faith dialogues about the universally-shared stories of the Bible will
find this series "television at its best."



The President's Spot

by Tomas Milch H.

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our community's life, please
volunteer to serve on our
Social Services Committee.

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careers, hobbies, and sports do
not completely fulfill our lives. If
you are one such person, please
volunteer with the Central
Kentucky Jewish Federation and
improve not only our own life but
those of Jews in our local com-
munity and everywhere.

On a personal note, I
would like to thank all of you
who so kindly wished me well
and speeded my recovery from an
unplanned appendectomy.

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continues to address the many
needs in our varied local commu-
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RABBI JON ADLAND TORAH COMMENTARY

Though it will be October when you receive this edition of *Shalom*, I am writing this article before Rosh HaShanah. It is a very busy time of year. The Temple and Synagogue are getting ready to begin their annual Religious School and Hebrew School programs. The sanctuaries are being cleaned in anticipation of the throngs who will gather for the Holy Days. Adult education courses are about to begin. Preparation and readiness is a natural part of the Jewish fall season.

It is an interesting time of year to begin things anew. To most people, the fall is the end of the year. The leaves are turning brown and falling to the ground. Flower gardens are no longer producing the vibrant colors. The grass is growing much more slowly. For Jews, this time of year is rebirth, internal growth, spiritual searching and, hopefully, fulfillment. In this spirit of newness, I turn my attention to the Torah portions for October.

As I mentioned, most people see this time of the year as the beginning of the end. For Jews, the first weekend in October represents both the end and the beginning. On Simchat Torah we read the last verses from the book of Deuteronomy, the death of our great leader and prophet, Moshe Rabbeinu (Moses) and then we turn to the first verses of Genesis, when God begins to create the world. The Torah is like the round challah of Rosh HaShanah. It goes on-and-on. Birth is followed by death and death by birth.

On Shabbat Bereshit, October 12/29 Tishri, we begin reading Genesis again. We all know the stories of the beginning of the book of Genesis. In chapter 1, we read of the day by day creation. This begins with light

on the first day and continues until human beings are created in God's image on the sixth day. Each day of creation adds another layer to the beauty of this world: light to water to trees to sun, moon and stars, animals and birds, and humans. In a sense, the writers of this story wanted us to see clearly all the beauty of the world at its special moment.

The second chapter of Genesis begins with the setting aside of the seventh day as a day of rest. The story then moves to the creation of Adam. After the rest of the world is created, God creates Eve. This chapter seems more personal and familiar. The chapter has more human overtones even though the egalitarian nature of humans in this chapter is changed to subservience as Eve is made from Adam's rib to be his helpmate.

The high point of Shabbat Bereshit is reached in chapters 3 & 4. Chapter 3 is the story of the Garden of Eden when human beings learn of their sexuality by eating from the fruit of knowledge. In chapter 4, Cain murders his brother Abel and pays the consequences for this action. Even worse is the moment of this chapter when Cain asks, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Shabbat Noach is October 19/6 Cheshvan. Noach is a person we like to like. He is a righteous person in his generation. The rabbis in commenting on Noach find that he is somewhat lacking, especially when compared with Abraham. Where Abraham argues with God to save Sodom and Gemorrah, Noach just builds the ark to save his immediate family and some animals. Where Abraham is righteous in any generation, Noach is righteous only in his generation. In his time, Noach does good. He saves the animals. He populates a destroyed world. He establishes a covenant with God with the rainbow as its sign. I don't mean to

negate Noach's significance, but compared to Abraham, Noach was righteous only in his generation.

Shabbat Lech L'cha (October 26/13 Cheshvan) begins the story of the Jewish people. Abraham is called by God to leave behind the place of his birth and his family to go forth to a place that only God knows, a land that God will show him. God makes several promises to Abraham. God promises to make a great nation from Abraham. God promises to bless him and to make his name great. With these commitments from God to Abraham, Abraham starts on his journey. This is a journey that continues until this day.

As we begin this journey, we recognize yet another beginning in life, the beginning of the religion we call Judaism. Judaism is a commitment of life. It is what we do from the time we get up in the morning until we go to bed at night. Judaism is celebration of the joyous moments in our lives and the grieving from sorrow. Judaism is from birth to death and, with the birth of a new Jewish child or the conversion of someone to Judaism, to birth once again. Judaism is the journey from Genesis to Deuteronomy and back to Genesis once again.

Most people look at the trees in their yard and call them bare. I look at the branches in anticipation of the recognition of the new buds for spring. I look at my garden after I have tilled it in the fall and think about what to plant in the spring. I look at a new Jewish child and think about the Jewish opportunities that are still ahead of him or her.

Genesis marks a beginning for Jews as most of the world is thinking about endings. Let us make this new year a wonderful beginning for us all. As it says in Genesis, "You shall be a blessing."

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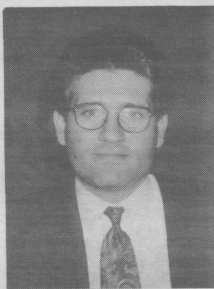
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Israeli Consul to Speak at UK



Eli Avidar, Consul at the Consulate General of Israel in Philadelphia, is scheduled to speak at UK's Patterson School of Diplomacy, Wednesday, October 9. Mr. Avidar's topic is "The Relationship between Law and Religion in the Middle East: Judaism and Islam." The presentation is in the Student Center Theater beginning at 7:30 PM.

This program is free and open to the public.

Editorial

Thoughts on Jewish Resolutions

This Rosh HaShanah made me think, which I must admit is an act that becomes more difficult with each passing year. People make resolutions during the secular new year, but Jews welcome the new year with services, the days of awe, and then atonement. Though we start the new year with a clean slate, wouldn't it be easier to adhere to the teachings of Judaism if we made a list of personal resolutions as well?

Following is my list of resolutions for 5757. Some represent merely wishful thinking, while others are actions definitely within my control. Keeping with some tradition, please note I have 18 (chai) "Jewish resolutions."

In 5757...

1. I would like to see seminars on religious/cultural sensitivity held on days other than Rosh HaShanah or Yom Kippur.

2. Have any and all electronic equipment break down the day before the warranty expires, rather than the day after.

3. Actually call or write people I'm thinking about, instead of doing nothing more to let them know they are in my thoughts.

4. Make a phone call and NOT get an automated answering system.

5. Go or do something because I want to, not because I have to or because it's expected of me.

6. Finish a job or project before it's due.

7. Get one or two GREEN lights driving rush hour traffic on Tates Creek Road.

8. Contact someone less fortunate than myself and offer words or acts of support and kindness.

9. Buy something the day after it goes on sale instead of seeing it on sale in the paper the week after my purchase.

10. Tell my daughter I love her—everyday!

11. Cook a few "real meals" instead of defrosting something or serving dinner through the car window.

12. Don't believe or perpetuate any gossip. By the way did you hear.....oops, never mind!

13. Vacuum more than once a month. A little wear and tear on the old Electrolux is certainly a fair trade-off for less dirt and dust on the floors. Who knows, my allergies may even dissipate.

14. Attend available lectures/classes to expand my knowledge on any and all interesting subjects.

15. Have peace throughout the world.

16. Discover a cure for AIDS and cancer.

17. Know of a politician running for office that I truly wanted to vote for, not just cast my ballot for the lesser of the evils.

18. And finally, what would a list of resolutions be without this one, EXERCISE MORE!

Well there they are, some were said with tongue-in-cheek and others came from the heart. Now, to offset this list, I

think I'll also make up a list of possible sins for 5757. Then in 5758 when I cast my bread crumbs into the waters, I'll know exactly what I'm throwing away. I just hope I don't lose my lists.

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EDITORIAL



FEATURE

Photography Gallery Shows Pictures Are Worth More Than Words

by Holly Barnhill

Photography is no flash in the pan when it comes to the world of art. Innovative technologies and astronomical selling prices have advanced photographic art to prominence in galleries world-wide.

Lexington boasts its own world-class gallery, *Julia's Gallery of Photography*. Owner Julia Weinstein opened her doors two years ago in Lexington's Civic Center Shops. Julia previously worked in a Photography Gallery in Carmel, California. She moved to Lexington when her husband's job brought them here.

Julia says, "I couldn't find a gallery to work in, so I opened my own. I personally feel the most exciting things in the visual art world are happening in photography."

Indeed, photography has come a long way since a pack of film, a few flash cubes and an instamatic camera did the trick. The Gallery has on exhibit several artists who make use of various nouveau techniques.

Elizabeth Murray uses a polaroid camera to take her pictures. Then she smears the emulsion, while it's developing, with a soft wooden tool. Next the image is enlarged and transferred to water color paper. Ms. Murray then draws and paints on the image, using oils, pastels and colored pencils. The final product is a cross between a photograph and an impressionist painting.

Susan Fenton takes black and white photographs, and completely paints over the image in oils.

Carol Henry creates her art without the use of film or even a camera. In a dark room she suspends flowers over photographic paper, with a light source above the flower. The light passes through a lens to enlarge the image. A long exposure is used

to make the flower appear translucent. The photographic paper develops the final image. Each of Ms. Henry's works is one of a kind, as there is no film or negative to reproduce another exact image, and the strong light wilts each flower as it goes through this process. So, as

by one of these artists is approximately \$600.

When asked about the retained value of photographs, Ms. Weinstein replied, "Prices have historically gone up."

Christie's Auction House sold, in 1993, a black and



Black and white photograph by John Wimberley titled "Descending Angel"

nature varies her creations, so does this photographic process. Ms. Weinstein describes these works as, "very Georgia O'Keeffe-like."

For the traditionalists, the Gallery also offers black and white "straight" photographs from artists like Ansel Adams. "I have access to anything out there in the market," says Ms. Weinstein, "however, in the Gallery I exhibit mostly contemporary photographers in the mid-career level. That refers to artists that have achieved a recognition level, having been in the business for about 20 years--and number one, being very good, yet are still relatively young." The average price for a 16" x 20" photograph

white photograph by Alfred Stieglitz entitled, *Portrait of Georgia O'Keeffe - Hands with Thimble*, for \$398,500. Christie's has also sold, in recent years, two black and white Man Ray photographs titled *Noir et Blanche* and *Hier, Demain, and Aujouidhui* for \$354,500 and \$222,500 respectively.

Photographers are now careful to limit and number their prints. Most images are limited to 40 to 100 prints, although this number may vary. Some artists sell their first eight (or whatever number is determined) for a certain amount. The next limited

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CKJF Board Briefs

August 28, 1996 Meeting

by Michael E. Adelstein

Despite the flood in the CKJF office caused by a sewer pipe backup, business continued as usual and the damage has been repaired, although the odor lingered on for a while.

Tomas Milch H., President, discussed the GA Settle meeting urging members to attend.

David Feinberg resigned as chair of the Social Services Committee and as a Board Executive Committee member. Robert Baumann and Judy Levine were elected to the Board to fill

vacancies.

Joel Eizenstat announced that 62% of the UJA/Federation pledges had been received and that they were running about 10% above those of last year.

Kim Slaton reported that Camp Shalom had a highly successful session with a record 76 campers and a budget surplus.

Annette Milch announced activities and plans for the Leisure Club, including a meeting with our new Americans and the Louisville Russian Club.

Michael Grossman talked about the proposed Fayette County School calendar with its scheduled teachers' days during the two main Jewish holidays. Because of objections on constitutional grounds (separation of church and state), the calendar proposal was postponed pending legal investigation.

Evelyn Dantzic Geller reported about activities of the Social Services Committee and stated that Mollye Schwab was working on a handbook of guidelines for services that she renders.

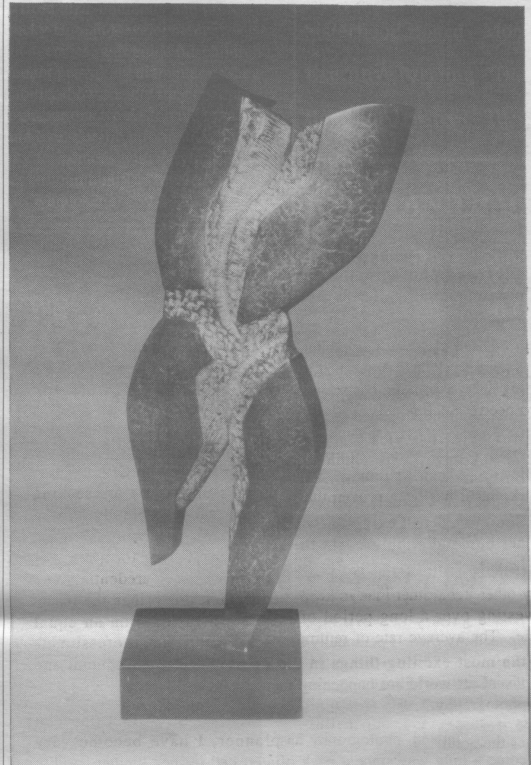
Evelyn Dantzic Geller also announced that a new Russian family was settled, the husband being a professional singer. She also reported about the generous help being offered by Jews and non-Jews to our new Americans in the acculturation program.

Joel Eizenstat circulated information about the Winter Family Mission to Israel. He and others praised the missions and spoke about the favorable treatment given to participants.

Susan Goldstein announced that Hillel had a successful meeting with 14 Jewish University of Kentucky students but that only eight Jewish students were listed in the freshman class.

Concern was expressed about the white crosses appearing in the community on public property.

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"Pirouette," a sculpture by Frank Morbillo, is part of an exhibit currently on display at Julia's Gallery. This piece sells for \$3400.

group of reproductions has a higher selling price. As the demand increases so does the price, however, the higher price may in turn keep down the demand. Thus, this method is self-regulating in keeping up the value of the piece.

Julia Weinstein plans to keep Lexington and the central Kentucky area in tune with the world of art, but not only with photography. A new exhibit, featuring sculptures by Frank Morbillo, is now at the Gallery. Also on display is photographer Christopher Burkett's new collection of Cibachrome prints, entitled "Hawaii."

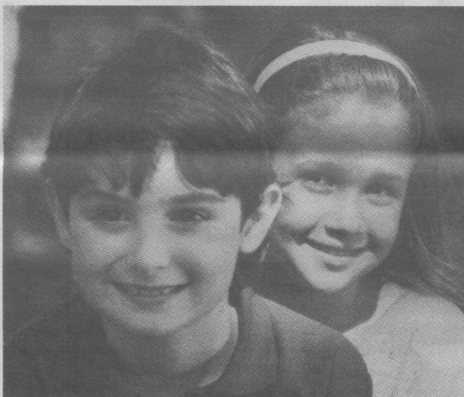
Planned for the future is an exhibit featuring the photographs of Kyung Schoenman, a

University of Kentucky photography student. Her photographs are studies of Korean female divers. These divers harvest sea urchins, sea cucumbers and sea weed from the depths of the Pacific Ocean without the benefit of any artificial breathing apparatus.

Lexington already claims a history with photography. Ms. Weinstein noted that from 1936 to 1972 the Lexington Camera Club existed in the area. In 1956 their show received national recognition and included the works of such renowned artists as Ansel Adams and Eugene Meatyard.

From its history to the present, photography remains a developing art in Kentucky.

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FEATURE



The Financial Advisor

by Ben C. Kaufmann

There is an old adage that "time heals all wounds." Time will also allow you to accumulate a lot of capital. The two secrets are: you need to invest on a systematic basis; and, you need to be true to that investment, unless there are unusual circumstances. Many people believe that "market timing" will work, but it has been proven that it does not.

Diversification of assets is probably more important than any other item, other than to keep investing over a long period of time. The average rate of return, for example, of the Dow Jones Index 500 is over 10.5% per year for a sixty-two-year (62) period. This is an average, but it illustrates the point.

Another asset that most of us own is real estate. That has appreciated over a thirty-year (30) period by 400 or 500%, depending upon the location of the property.

An item of interest is the appearance of "no-load" life and disability insurance. Actually, the products do carry a bit of a load, but they are non-commissionable. This type of insurance is very similar to no-load mutual funds. You can buy these products

directly from the insurance company, or the brokerage operation owned by General Electric, or an advisor, who would charge you a fee.

Many of us feel pressured when dealing with life insurance agents, because we are afraid that we are going to be sold something. But yet, when we visit an attorney, or CPA, there is no pressure, as we are seeking advice, which hopefully will be given to facilitate our best interests. By working for a fee, and with the proper credentials and education, this brings the insurance professional on an equal plane with other professionals that you visit for financial and investment advice.

As a certified financial planner, I have become very interested in the "limited liability company" concept. This is a vehicle that limits liability in case of a lawsuit, which does not turn out in your best interest. It provides an additional layer of protection for lawsuits. You will witness that more and more professional organizations, such as accounting and law firms are establishing L.L.C.'s (Limited Liability Company) or L.L.P.'s (Limited Liability Partnership). While there is no minimum net worth to review this product, I strongly urge those with assets of

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school study, and the newly opened *Hamagshimin Center* for college and post college study.

Judy will also travel to Israel in December to lead a tour for parents of children participating in one of the year-long Israel study programs.

Of her new position, Judy says, "I consider both my election as a National Vice President and my appointment as the Israel Program Chair a great honor and a great responsibility. Hadassah's work in the United States and in Israel has always seemed singularly relevant for

today's American Jewish woman and having this opportunity to create a closer bond between Israel and the United States for American Jewish youth holds the promise of continuity and building stronger ties for Jewish youth and young adults world-wide."

Locally, Judy has previously served as the President of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, as well as its Executive Director. She is also a past Sisterhood President and Religious School Principal at Ohavay Zion Synagogue.

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Spring Trip

May 1 - May 29, 1997

\$3300. Single supplement \$475.

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To be eligible you must be at least 50 years of age, in good health, and a member of B'nai B'rith or join prior to departure.

For information call Toll Free (800) 500-6533.



ASK Jewish Family Services

by Mollye Schwab

Ask Jewish Family Services is a regular column in *Shalom* that is intended to reflect personal and family situations that may provide information and resources to readers in the community. It is intended to provide general information, but it may not necessarily relate to all readers. Letters and phone calls to ASK JFS are welcome and can be sent to Jewish Family Services, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, KY 40502; or call (606) 269-8244.

Dear JFS,

I live locally in Lexington and am somewhat involved in the Jewish community. I am hearing "JFS" or "Jewish Family Services" spoken more and more frequently in various places and conversations. What I don't hear is what exactly Jewish Family Services is and/or what "services" are provided and to whom. I am very interested, can you clarify?

Sincerely,
Interested

Dear Interested,

I would be happy to clarify what it is Jewish Family Services does and to whom JFS services are available! To begin with, the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation recognized, a few years ago, that a Jewish Family Service agency in Lexington was needed and could prove to be a valuable resource to the Jewish community of central Kentucky. Though Lexington is well equipped with resources and services in general, it was thought a Jewish Family Service agency could be a valuable resource given the uniqueness of the community and issues that can sometimes be present in the Jewish family. Judaically sensitive support systems regarding death/dying, raising a family Jewish, intermarried couples, and the resettlement of Russian refugees are some examples.

Jewish Family Services is staffed with a full time social worker and part-time resettlement program assistant. Services are designed to meet the social service requests from community members either directly or through referrals, advocacy, and support of other qualified and appropriate resources. Any requests for services, e.g., case management, counseling, crisis intervention, financial assistance, advocacy, etc...can be dealt with either directly or indirectly, depending on the situation.

Jewish Family Services also is involved in the resettlement efforts on behalf of refugees coming from the former Soviet Union. (Five families have arrived in Lexington in the past year, about 23 families total since 1994). The Wise Jewish Singles Dateline, a network that facilitates the meeting of Jewish singles in the tri-state area is now operating through Jewish Family Services, originating out of Cincinnati, Ohio. And still other services of the central Kentucky JFS include community outreach, education, and ongoing program development in attempts to meet the changing and growing needs of the community.

I hope that this information is helpful to you and answers your questions. I welcome any other questions you may have or requests for additional information. Thank you for writing.

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

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FEATURE

THE AMAZING JEWS

by Michael E. Adelstein

In his *History of the Jews*, the eminent historian Paul Johnson writes, "To [the Jews] we owe the idea of equality before the law, both divine and human; of the sanctity of life and the dignity of the human person; of the individual conscience and so of individual redemption; of the collective conscience and so of social responsibility; of peace as an abstract idea and love as the foundation of justice, and many other items which constitute the basic moral furniture of the human mind. Without the Jews it might have been a much emptier place."

Certainly this is a great tribute to that relatively tiny group of people who have inhabited the world for over 4,000 years. But the contributions that Johnson wrote about have come to us from our great writers, philosophers, theologians, and thinkers of the distant past. Would the world of the 20th century have been "a much emptier place without the Jews?"

One way to answer this question in more practical terms is to look at the Nobel Prize awards, which since 1901 have been given to people who have made the most outstanding contributions in physics, chemistry, economics (since 1968), and physiology and medicine, or have produced the most distinguished literary works, or have contributed the most toward world peace.

From the inception of the awards through 1991, there have been 620 Nobel laureates. Of these, about one-sixth or 17 percent have been Jews. One way of reflecting about this fact is to realize that the Jews, who comprise less than one percent of the world's population, have been awarded 17 percent of the highly coveted Nobel Prizes. The Amazing Jews!

Who are these Jewish Nobel laureates? As you might surmise, Einstein, whose name has become a synonym for "genius," is one. Prominent among the thirty others given the award in physics are Niels Bohr,

whose work on subatomic particles was important for the understanding of nuclear fusion; his son Aage, who won it 53 years later in 1975 for research showing that the atomic nucleus is asymmetrical; Richard Feynman for his work in quantum electrodynamics; and Murray Gell-Mann for his study of subatomic particles.

More familiar are the Peace Prize winners. Most of us can name them: our recent speaker, Elie Wiesel, whose moving books and eloquent speeches about the Holocaust have struck the conscience of the world; Menachem Begin, who with Anwar Sadat achieved peace between Israel and Egypt; Henry Kissinger, who negotiated with Le Duc Tho to bring about an end to the unpopular, tragic Vietnam War; and Yitzhak Rabin, who along with Yasser Arafat brought about the beginnings of peace with the Arabs in the Middle East.

Other Jewish winners of the Nobel Prize for Peace are Alfred Fried and Tobias Asser, who both in 1911 played a major role in the formation of the Arbitration Court at the first Hague Peace Conference; and Rene Cassin, president of the European Court of Human Rights and principal author of the UN Declaration of the Rights of Man.

In literature, the Nobel Prize winners are also familiar to us. Among the best known are Saul Bellow, whose novels are studied in most American literature courses, and Isaac Bashevis Singer, who wrote in Yiddish mainly about the Jewish communities of his native Poland. Almost as well known are Nadine Gordimer, the South African writer; Boris Pasternak, the Russian poet and novelist, whose *Doctor Zhivago* is well known to us because of its film version, and who was forced by the Stalinist government to decline the prize; Joseph Brodsky, the Russian-born poet, who was exiled from Russia, became a U.S. citizen, and taught for years at the University of Michigan; S.Y. Agnon, the Israeli novelist and short story writer, whose works deal mainly with the life of the

East European Jewish diaspora; and Henri Bergson, the great French philosopher, who had a profound influence on James, Santayana, and Whitehead as well as on such authors as Virginia Woolf, Pirandello, and Proust.

Bergson flirted with Catholicism in his final years but remained a Jew, getting up from a sick bed shortly before his death and standing in line to register as a Jew with the Vichy government during World War II, although he had been offered an exemption from doing so.

Among lesser known Jewish winners of the Nobel Prize in literature are Nellie Sachs of Sweden, Paul Heyse of Germany, Elias Canetti of Bulgaria, and Jaroslav Seifert of Czechoslovakia.

Because the Nobel Prize in economics has been awarded only since 1969, there are comparatively few recipients. Probably we are most familiar with Paul Samuelson, whose economics textbook, which has gone through many editions, has been used in nearly all of our universities. And then there is Milton Friedman, founder and articulate spokesman of the Chicago School of Economics, who has moved to California but continues to appear regularly on television, advocating such provocative subjects as supply side economics and urging the abolishment of criminal laws on some drugs. Also appearing on television but not as frequently as Friedman is Lawrence Klein, who developed models for forecasting economic trends and shaping policies to deal with them. Other Jewish winners are Herbert Simons, Franco Modigliani, and Robert Solow.

There are numerous Jewish jokes about "My son, the Doctor." But Jewish doctors are no joke. Thirty-six of them have been honored with Nobel awards. Surprisingly, Jonas Salk and Albert Sabin are not among them. The earliest include Paul Ehrlich (1908) for his work in immunity and Robert Barany (1914) for his investigation of the physiology and pathology of the vestibular system.

Among later winners are

Selman Waksman for the co-discovery of streptomycin, Fritz Lipmann for his studies of living cells, Sir Bernard Katz for studies of how nerve impulses are transmitted within the body, Rosalyn Yalow for research on the role of hormones in chemistry of the body, Joseph Goldstein and Michael S. Brown for their work on cholesterol, and Harold Varmus for his unifying theory of cancer development. These are only a small sample of the Jewish medical researchers who won Nobel awards.

Fifteen Jews have won the awards in chemistry. Among the more recent are Sidney Altman for his discovery that RNA could actively aid chemical reactions in the cells, Aaron Klug for research in the detailed structure of viruses and

components of life, and Paul Berg and Walter Gilbert for developing the methods to map the structure and function of DNA. Earlier winners include William Stein for pioneering studies in enzymes, Max Perutz for mapping protein molecules with X-rays, Melvin Calvin for establishing chemical steps during photosynthesis, and George Hevesy for work on the use of isotopes as indicators.

Obviously, this review of Jewish Nobel Prize winners omits many. But it provides a representative indication of the significant contributions that this relatively tiny group of people have made to the world in important fields. Is it due to nature or nurture, or some combination of both? Regardless, the Jews are amazing!

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FEATURE

Jerry and Rose Rita Do It Again!!!!

By Mollye Schwab

The Wurmsers have once again opened their arms, hearts, and home to the new American community, this time at their home on Lake Herrington. On August 18, Jerry and Rose Rita invited all of the new Americans to their home for fun in the sun. With the ever present help from Irv and Sybil Stern, fun and food were abundant for more than 50 of the new American families and friends. It was not real clear who had the most fun, the children swimming and playing in the lake or the adults getting together and sharing time together. One thing was for certain, Jerry and Rose Rita were having a great time doing one of the splendid things they do so well; giving to others and embracing the meaning of fellowship for all. It was an honor to be there, and it is always a pleasure to be in the company and in the hearts of Jerry and Rose Rita.

Following are words of gratitude to the Wurmsers, from their guests:

"We express our gratitude to Jerry and Rose for organizing a picnic. We wish this wonderful family all the best and what is most important, health so we may continue to feel their warmth, kindness, and endearment they present."

The Rogovs



Jerry & Rose Rita with Yefim Tselniker

"We express great gratitude to Jerry and Rose Rita Wurmsers for the wonderfully organized day in their country house. They managed to prepare everything thoughtfully and to conduct all activities in a warm and cordial way, bringing contentment to people of all ages. This magnificent day will be remembered as a day of wonderful family rest. Since our arrival in Lexington, our dear Jerry and Rose have always been with us, the new Americans, in their smiles, heart warmth, kindness and hospitality. We wish Jerry and Rose strong health, happiness, and an inexhaustible energy."

Manya & Riva Bisnovataya



Sybil Stern and Galina & Yefim Tselniker stay cool on the back porch

"With gratitude and warmth we recall the day we spent with our Russian-speaking community at Jerry and Rose Rita's house at the coast of the lake. Everybody was invited, children and adults. Nobody was forgotten by the attentive and cordial hosts, and each of the 50 guests considered it an honor to be at Jerry and Rose Rita's. They tried (the Wurmsers & Sterns) to make that day, August 18, a day of rest, joy, good mood, and communication with friends. Rose Rita and Jerry and the Stern family brought a lot of satisfaction starting from the tasty food to swimming and boating on the lake. This day we'll remember for a long time with gratitude to the hospitable hosts of that house. Jerry and Rose Rita's life, the way they treat people in general and the new Americans in particular, their understanding of our difficulties, their wish and capacity to help, can be a model to everybody and especially for young people, those who start their life in America."

Galina & Yefim Tselniker

"It was real fun in the sun, on a shiny day (how can the Wurmsers always have that beautiful weather?). The food was a mixture of American and Russian favorites, women were charming, men gallant, kids cute, and chats pleasant. Thanks to the Wurmsers' hospitality and the Sterns' help, the entire Russian community, including the newcomers, had an opportunity to get together in a cozy, warm, and relaxing atmosphere and enjoy talking, swimming and boating. Thanks again."

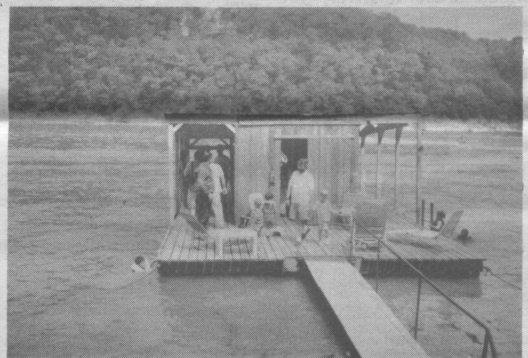
The Slepaks

"Thank you Rose and Jerry for the holiday you conducted at your country house! We felt cozy and comfortable because of your kindness and sincerity. All of us were able not only to get rest, but also to communicate with new friends."

The Tiplinskayas, Vinogradovs, & the Shurs



(L to R) Manya Goloborodko, Riva Bisnovataya, Anna Barr, Lyuda Patskan, Yeliza & Pavel Sheftel enjoy food and conversation



Children and adults enjoyed swimming and sunning on the dock

"Unforgettable Day!...Jerry and Rose Rita accepted the whole Russian-speaking community of Lexington to their country house. The entire event was thoughtfully and meticulously done. Everybody received a personal invitation...with a map of how to get to the house...Each guest was happily greeted at the entrance to the country house (everybody literally was embraced by Jerry and Rose Rita)...Russian speaking refugees who didn't know each other before, left the house as good friends! Jerry and Rose Rita showed interest in everything about each guest. They had warm words for everybody. Along with the conversation, there was bathing in lake, boating, telling,

recalling, and so on. Excellent leisure for children, they had everything, even life jackets for swimming and Jerry personally put life jackets on the children...Everything was complimented by excellent food. What is most important to each of us, Jerry and Rose Rita found warm words of support and wishes for the future. Every person thought that he was special to the hosts and that he was the most respected and loved!! May G-d bless such people and make their life long!"

Uriy Khanukayev

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see Jerry & Rose Rita

FEATURE

Lexington's New Americans Travel to Louisville and "Party" with the Russian Club



Entering the Park Pavilion

by Mollye Schwab

On August 29, 13 individuals from the new American community, Annette Milch, and I packed in a van and headed to Louisville to meet the Russian Club at the Jewish Community Center. There, the gracious Acculturation Director, Slava Nedelin, showed our Lexington group great fun starting with a tour of the Louisville JCC, then lunch. We were then escorted to a birthday party in a nearby park with cakes and birthday surprises for those new Americans who had summer birthdays. (Our own Lyudmila Shur and Klara Krasil were summer birthdays and each got a birthday surprise!) Slava then got the entire group of about 50 playing Jewish trivia. The music and dancing then began!

All had fun and had the opportunity to meet the Louisville Russian Club. It is hoped that this will be the beginning of many more get-togethers with this Louisville group.



Dancing in the Park



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"How is it possible to express how much we enjoyed a party in the Wurmser's country house. Everything was absolutely perfect: beautiful river, the terrific weather, a great motorboat ride, delicious food, but most of all the gracious company of Rose Rita and Jerry. It was terrific to get our small community together and we all are very grateful for that."

Tanya & Mike Klyachkin

"Thank you Rose Rita and Jerry for the reception in your country house. It was just wonderful. You are always kindhearted, car-

ing, and inexhaustible! I wish you health, prosperity to you and your children and according to the Jewish saying; get to 120 years together!"

Rachel Bashikhes

"Dear Rose Rita and Jerry, hearty thanks for your warm reception! Your home is warm and cozy. We admire your kindness and goodwill, energy, and youth. We wish you strong health and to always be young and energetic."

The Orlovs



Jerry opens the gate to welcome his guests

"A Declaration of Love...human communication is a great luxury. This luxury lavishly was presented to us by dear Jerry and Rose Rita at a wonderfully organized holiday, which we'll remember forever...beyond all measure, our family is grateful to you and your family for your constant will to treat people with kind things and bring joy and warmth, not only into our houses, but into our souls. Thank you for your caring and for everything. We love you!!"

The Sheftels and Barr Family

LEXINGTON HADASSAH/CHABAD

Hadassah Fall Calendar

Wednesday, October 9th
Donor Phon A Thon

Thursday, October 24th
"VOICES FOR CHANGE" --Bel Simon
Italian Oven
2610 Richmond Road
Dessert and Discussion 8:00 PM

Wednesday, November 6th
"Your Body is a Beautiful Responsibility"
Topic-Osteoporosis
Guest Speaker: Dr. Kathleen Bos
The Senior Center
Alumni Drive 7:30 PM

Thursday, November 21st
"Euphoria or Blues-A Post Election Analysis"
Guest Speaker: Sharyn Sharer
Ohavay Zion Synagogue 7:30 PM

RSVP: Nancy Menard 271-8912

HADASSAH National Speaker-Belle Simon

VOICES FOR CHANGE: Future Directions for Jewish Women

Meeting: Lexington Chapter of Hadassah
Thursday, October 24
Dessert and Discussion Italian Oven 8:00 PM

As the largest women's and the largest Jewish membership organization in the United States, Hadassah feels that it is responsible for providing a "voice" for American Jewish women. Hadassah sponsored an extensive survey "Voices for Change" to determine the concerns, needs and issues of Jewish women today in conjunction with Brandeis University. The centerpiece of the study is the "Call To Action" which presents a vision and blueprint for the needs of Jewish women:

BUILDING COMMUNITY
ACHIEVING EQUALITY
NURTURING THE SOUL
CONNECTING WITH ISRAEL

Hadassah is using "Voices for Change" to help formulate plans to involve its members, and attract new members, well into the 21st century. The Commission concludes that the Jewish community must do a better job of involving American Jewish women, whose rich diversity offers Jewish organizations and synagogues a source of strength and innovation. In order to embrace this dynamic population, the Jewish community needs to create social and educational opportunities for women to experience what is joyous and vital in their Jewish heritage.

Belle Simon is the Chairman of the Division Coordinators/Directors and Volunteer and Staff Advocate Chairman. She was Chairman of the first Long Island Jewish Women's Forum which united all Jewish Women's Organizations in a discussion of common issues. She also has been Co-Chairman of Galgalim, National Convention, and Coordinator of the Education Division.

Your Body is a Beautiful Responsibility

OSTEOPOROSIS

Who: Dr. Kathleen Bos
Rheumatologist St. Joseph's Hospital

What: "Act Against Osteoporosis"

When: Wednesday, November 6, 1996 7:30 PM

Where: The Senior Center
Alumni Drive

Why: Statistics: Over 25 million women are afflicted with Osteoporosis. One out of every two women will suffer an Osteoporosis related fracture in her lifetime.

Description: Osteoporosis is a debilitating disease that causes bones to become so weak they can break easily and often. It can lead to severe back pain, loss of weight, and curvature of the spine.

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Diagnosis: A painless non-invasive bone density test.

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Lexington Chapter of Hadassah is proud to offer this program to its members and to the community.

RSVP: Nancy Menard 271-8912

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Tuesday, October 8,

at the CKJF office.

12:00 Noon.

Kosher luncheon available.

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SERVICE SCHEDULE

October 1996 Tishrei - Cheshvan 5757

October 4-5, Tishrei 22
Shabbat Aser Te'aser
SHEMINI ATZERET

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Nancy Hoffman
Oneg ONEG IN THE SUKKAH
Gail & Ernie Cohen
Alice & David Weinberg
JoEllen & David Kaiser

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Sue Ezrine
English Reader No English reading

October 11-12, Tishrei 29
Shabbat Beresheet

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Sue Westerman
Oneg Ruth Moser
Natalie & Larry Sherman
Harriet & Mike Aides

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Bret Caller
English Reader Ricki Rosenberg

October 18-19, Cheshvan 6
Shabbat Noach

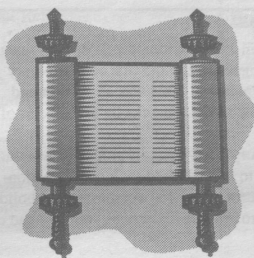
Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima
Oneg Kadima Regional Convention
Leanne & Rick Zimmerman
Youth Group

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Ginger Knight
English Reader Art Salomon

October 25-26, Cheshvan 13
Shabbat Lech Lecha

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
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Shabbat Morning
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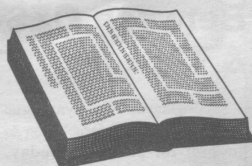
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INTRO TO JUDAISM 8:15 - 9:15 PM

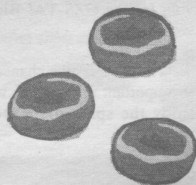
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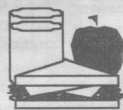


OZS CALENDAR OF EVENTS OCTOBER

- October 1 Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm
OZS Board Meeting 8pm
- October 2 Town Mtg-Parents w/ kids up to grade 2
- October 3 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Social Action Committee at Hope Center 5:30pm
Town Mtg-Parents w/ kids in grades 3-7
- October 4 Oneg in the Sukkah
- October 5 Shemini Atzeret
Erev Simchat Torah
Pizza in the Hut
- October 6 Simchat Torah
Religious School Service
- October 8 Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm
- October 10 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Educ Comm Mtg 7 pm
- October 13 Hebrew/Religious School
Torah Study 10:30am
- October 15 Hebrew School 4:45 pm
Rel Comm Mtg 8pm
- October 16 Downtown Lunch 'n Learn 12noon
- October 17 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
- October 18 Kadima Regional Convention begins
- October 20 Hebrew/Religious School
Torah Study 10:30am
- October 22 Hebrew School 4:45 pm
Executive Board Mtg 8pm
- October 24 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
- October 26 Sarah Shraberg Bat Mitzvah
- October 27 Hebrew/Religious School
Teacher meeting 12-1 pm
- October 29 Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm
Executive Board Mtg 8pm
- October 31 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am

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Downtown Lunch n' Learn



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HAVURAH/FEATURE

Lexington Havurah

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Saturday, November 9, 1996

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For more information please call Judy Baumann, 606/223-1299 or Ernie Cohen, 606/272-1459.

*The Lexington Havurah is affiliated with the National Havurah Committee and the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism.

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Bloody Battle Between OZS & TAI

Ohavay Zion Synagogue and Temple Adath Israel plan to go pint-for-pint on Sunday, December 15 with a competitive Blood Drive battle. The congregation with the highest percent of donors will be declared the winner.

The Blood Drive takes place at Ohavay Zion Synagogue beginning at 9:00 AM and continues through 1:00 PM. Bagels will be available for all donors.

Please remember that after October 15, you must not donate blood if you wish to be eligible for the OZS-TAI Blood Drive.

Don't miss the chance to do an important mitzvah, as well as enjoy the spirit of friendly competition.

Tamim - Wholehearted

by Rabbi H. D. Uriel Smith

It is impossible to translate the Bible accurately. Rabbi Judah claimed, "Anyone who translates a verse literally is a liar; and if he adds anything (to make it idiomatic) he blasphemes." (b. *Quiddushin* 49a) One of the best translations, attempting to be as literal as possible while remaining a beautifully clear English, is the Revised Standard Version (RSV). But, in quite a number of places we can find in it an unconscious Christian bias.

For example, it states (Exodus 34:28; Deuteronomy 10:4) that the Eternal wrote on the tablets of the covenant "the ten commandments," giving as an alternate translation "the ten words" (Decalogue). The latter is a better translation (it is the choice of the Jewish Publication Society [JPS] of 1917), but "*aseret ha-d'varim*" would better be translated as "the ten utterances." Each of these utterances is more than a word. The shortest of these have two words in Hebrew, and a few others are whole paragraphs formed from several sentences.

The Christians called them "the Ten Commandments" so as to create a contrast between the Old Covenant of law and the New Covenant of love and grace (cf. Romans 2:17-3:20, 4:15, 5:1-21). The Christian ways of counting of the Ten Commandments (there are at least two ways of counting, Catholics and Protestants differing among themselves) treat the first utterance, "I am the Eternal your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage," (Exodus 20:2; Deuteronomy 5:6) as being merely a preface to the commandments. The Jewish count treats it as the first utterance of the covenant, showing that God has kept his side of the agreement: the rest of the utterances tell us how to keep our side of the covenant. The Jewish terminology and counting indicate that God and Israel are in a covenantal partnership.

Another biased translation occurs in the translations of the words *tam* and *tamim*. RSV claims that Noah was "blameless

in his generation," (Genesis 6:9), that Abraham was ordered to be "blameless" (Genesis 17:1), that the Israelites were ordered to be "blameless before the Lord your God," (Deuteronomy 18:13), and that Job was "blameless and upright." (Job 1:1)

JPS prefers in each case the term "whole-hearted" instead of "blameless." The term *tamim* is connected with being "complete," and thus both translations agree that when the term refers to an animal chosen to be sacrificed (e.g. Leviticus 1:3, 10; 3:1) it means "without blemish," and when it refers to the actions of God (e.g. Deuteronomy 32:4; 2 Samuel 22:31) it means "perfect."

However, the type of perfection required for human actions differs according to the religious views of the covenantal relations with God. Christians, basing themselves on St. Paul's claims, state that people can come before God only if they are perfect, and thus they must be "blameless."

Jews recognize that in this imperfect world perfect actions are impossible. Even God's creations need completion: wheat has to be transformed into bread, and flax needs to be transformed into clothing. (Tanhuma, Tazria; cf. Gen. Rabbah 11:4) So the goal is to meet problems with which we are faced wholeheartedly.

In some ways I find this to be similar to the Zen Buddhist ideal; people should find ways to put themselves into full harmony with their activities. We do not need to be blameless. As Rabbi Harold Kushner put it: "*Life is not a spelling bee where one mistake wipes out all we have done right. ...Life is like the baseball season, where even the best team loses at least a third of its games and even the worst team has days of brilliance.*"

These examples show us that we can better understand the Bible with a knowledge of Hebrew and a recognition of the underlying pressures arising from the religious communities that base themselves on the Holy Scriptures. Jewish tradition finds the Bible encouraging us to think for ourselves and to take responsibility for our lives in partnership with God.

TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL

SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday, October 4

Family Shabbat Service 7:30 PM
Simchat Torah/Consecration
Torah Portion: Simchat Torah
Deuteronomy 33:1-34:12
Genesis 1:1-2:3
TAI Makhela will sing
Candle Blessor: Lisa Taulbee
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Susan & Paul Bachner
Lisa & Dan Taulbee
Michele & Richard Freed
Meg & Sheldon Schneider
Karen & Joel Corwin
NO Child Care Available

Saturday, October 5

Kollet 9:30-11:30 AM

Friday, October 11

Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Jonathan Kaplan Bar Mitzvah
Torah Portion: Bereshit
Genesis: 1:1-6:8
Candle Blessor: Chela Kaplan
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
The Kaplan Family
Kiddush: Jonathan Kaplan
David Kaplan
Child Care Available

Saturday, October 12

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Jonathan Kaplan Bar Mitzvah

Friday, October 18

New Member Pot-Luck 6:30 PM
New Member Shabbat
Service 8 PM
Torah Portion: Noach
Genesis: 6:9-11:32
5-9 Choir will sing
Candle Blessor: Judy Oer
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Ann & Kevin Freund
Diane Svarlien
Jennifer & Barry Ruditsky
Judy & Bob Oer
Joseph Marks
Child Care Available

Saturday, October 19

Kollet 9:30-11:30 AM

Friday, October 25

Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Torah Portion: Lech-Lecha
Genesis 12:1-17:27
Marilyn Langley will sing
Candle Blessor: Janet Scheeline
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Kay & Harold Frankel
Ann & Greg Frankel
Janet Scheeline & Bill Spickard
Rosemary & Jim Levenson
Elizabeth & Rick Trontz
Kiddush: David Ravvin
Child Care Available

Saturday, October 26

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM

ABILITY AWARENESS SUNDAY

This fall on Sunday, October 20, our Religious School children from pre-Kindergarten through 7th grade will have the opportunity to participate in a morning of activity and discussion.

Temple members, families from the community and professionals from the University of Kentucky Human Development Institute, as well as state government agencies, will guide the children through awareness exercises and thought provoking dialogues as they consider what it's like to have a disability, how society treats people with disabilities and the gifts and contributions we ALL have to offer.

If any member of TAI would like specific information on programs and supports in our community for persons with varying special needs or would like to be a volunteer or community advocate for persons with disabilities, contact Cookie Wenneker at 269-4221.

SOCIAL ACTION NEWS

TAI's Social Action Committee has designated November to be the "MONTH OF HOPE." During the month of November, to support the Lexington Hope Center, a container will be placed in the Temple's hallway to take contributions.

Besides monetary donations, the Hope Center needs for men: white socks, gloves, sock hats, deodorant, combs and brushes, towels, razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste. Bicycles are needed for basic transportation, as well as pots and pans and other kitchen items.

The Lexington Hope Center is a private, non-profit organization which coordinates and provides life sustaining/life rebuilding services to Lexington's homeless and at-risk persons.

If you have any questions regarding the Hope Center, please call Lowell Nigoff at 233-1173 days or 278-5220 evenings.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Trustees - Tuesday, October 1, 7:30 PM

Youth Education Meeting - Thursday, October 10, 7 PM

Sisterhood Board - Monday, October 14, 7:30 PM

Executive Meeting - Thursday, October 31, 7:30 PM

Board of Trustees - Tuesday, November 5, 7:30 PM

BLOOD AND BAGEL COMPETITION

MARK THE DATE: Sunday, December 15

9 AM to 1 PM

at Ohavay Zion Synagogue

Let's get together to give blood and at the same time help with the trophy for our Temple or Synagogue. The congregation with the highest percent of donors will be the winner.

A REMINDER - After October 15 you must not donate blood if you wish to be eligible for this important event

VOTE-Election Day is November 5.

Voter registration forms will be available in the Temple office. The last day to register is October 7.



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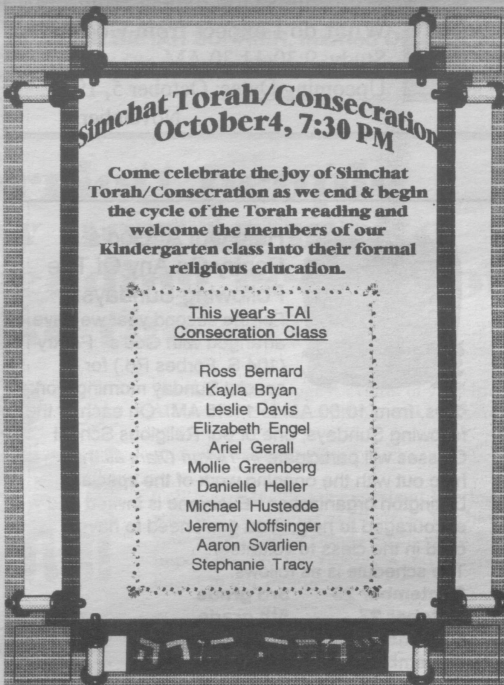
Let us welcome our new Temple Adath Israel members as our guests at the annual

New Member Shabbat Pot Luck Dinner
October 18, 1996

Shabbat Dinner at 6:30 PM
Erev Shabbat Service at 8 PM

There will be special blessings said on behalf of our new members and certificates of welcome handed out.

Please bring a main course and side dish to feed at least 8.
RSVP to the TAI office at 269-2979.



Simchat Torah/Consecration
October 4, 7:30 PM

Come celebrate the joy of Simchat Torah/Consecration as we end & begin the cycle of the Torah reading and welcome the members of our Kindergarten class into their formal religious education.

This year's TAI Consecration Class

- Ross Bernard
- Kayla Bryan
- Leslie Davis
- Elizabeth Engel
- Ariel Gerall
- Mollie Greenberg
- Danielle Heller
- Michael Hustedde
- Jeremy Noffsinger
- Aaron Svarlien
- Stephanie Tracy

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Rosh Chodesh

a Jewish women's spirituality study group will meet at

T.A.I., at 7:30 PM
on Oct. 9, - Nov. 13

All women are invited to attend

TORAH STUDY & SHABBAT MORNING WORSHIP



October 12, 26

November 2, 16

Study at 9:30 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

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



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

Upcoming Dates: October 5, 19
November 9



Help Out At God's Pantry On Any Of The Following Sundays:

For the second year we have arranged with God's Pantry (104 S. Forbes Rd.) for special Sunday morning work

days, from 10:00 AM to 11:45 AM. On each of the following Sundays, one of our Religious School Classes will participate in *Tikkun Olam* as they help out with the ongoing work of the special Lexington organization. Everyone is invited and encouraged to help. You don't need to have a child in the class to volunteer.

The schedule is as follows:

September 29	3rd grade
October 27	5th grade
November 24	7th grade
December 15	6th grade
January 26	4th grade
February 23	2nd grade
March 16	3rd grade
April 27	4th grade

SPIRITUALITY STUDY GROUP GETS NEW NAME: KOLLEL

The TAI Spirituality study group, which meets on alternate Saturdays, has acquired a new name- "Kollet."

Kollels were centers of Jewish study in Jerusalem from the 13th Century onwards. The TAI study group cannot match the intensity of study within these centers, but a start can be made on questions which Jews have struggled with for several thousand years. Please join us.

Adult Education Committee is looking for a few good teachers

The TAI Adult Education Committee is interested in learning if there are any members of this congregation interested in teaching Jewish adult education courses at some time in the future. If you are interested in teaching a course, leading a discussion group, or have an interest in a particular aspect of Jewish life or thought that you could share with others, please contact Rabbi Adland at 269-2979 or Mark Simpson at 268-0005.

LET'S LEARN 1996-97 7:30 - 9:00 PM

Tuesdays: October 8, 15, 22:
The History of Israel/The Land of Israel/The State of Israel Today

This is an elective class for Adult Confirmation.

We will explore "The History of Israel" by looking at how Israel came into existence, the people who lived in Palestine when the Jewish settlers arrived, and the competing Zionist philosophies that helped form the modern political parties. The second week will look at the land of Israel today. We will conclude with an investigation of where Israel is today and where it may be tomorrow.

TAI SISTERHOOD NEWS

DUES

I am accepting and expecting your 1996-97 dues. Please make your check for \$25.00 payable to Adath Israel Sisterhood and send to:

Marilyn Lieber, Financial Secretary
328 Henry Clay Blvd.
Lexington, KY 40502

GIFT SHOP

Hanukkah is early this year - the first light is Thursday, December 5. For those of you who buy a box(es) of gelt (24 bags per box), **PLEASE** place your order with me **as soon as possible**. The cost per box is \$18.00. Call Marilyn Lieber at 266-1240 or at the Gift Shop, 269-2979.

WELCOME!

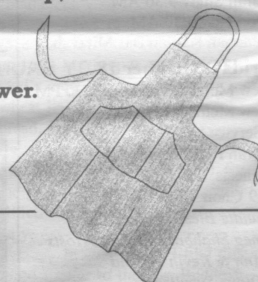
Old friends and new, to a Sisterhood membership get-together

When = October 16, 7:00 PM

Where = The Temple

Why = For fun, friendship, and involvement

We're having a
Temple kitchen shower.



FALL FIFTY SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 6TH--HIKING AT

NATURAL BRIDGE. Bring picnic lunch to Temple. Go to natural bridge. Pick up at temple 4:30 PM.



NOVEMBER 10TH--ANNE FRANK AND ME

Go to see play at Lexington's Children's Theater "Anne Frank and Me." Meet at theater at 2 PM. Return to Temple for ice cream sundaes. Pick up at TAI at 4 PM. Tickets cost \$6. Money must be in by October 20th, so that reservations can be made.

COMMUNITY

Happy Anniversary!



ROBERT & JUDY BAUMANN, married October 11, 1964 in Cleveland, Ohio



JIM & AUDREY ROONEY, married October 15, 1960 in Cleveland, Ohio



JAY & SARAH SCHRIER, married October 24, 1981 in Cincinnati, Ohio

Send wedding photos to:

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CKJF
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Lexington, KY 40502

October 15 is the deadline
for the November issue.



BOB & CINDY ELLSWORTH, married October 24, 1981 in Lexington, Kentucky

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Looking Back.....Looking Ahead

by Joel Eizenstat

As we begin the new year, it seems an appropriate time to reflect on the achievements of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation over the past year, my first as your Executive Director, and to look ahead at some of what we hope to accomplish in the coming year. I believe that it has been an exciting and productive first year in central Kentucky. The year began with a great deal needing to be done. Our first challenge was to put together a cohesive staff. Mollye Schwab had become the Director of Jewish Family Services in June, and was well on her way to becoming acclimated to her new position when I arrived in August. Kim Slaton soon joined the staff as our Program Director, and Holly Barnhill agreed to be the editor of our community newspaper. Over the year we have endeavored to put a new face on CKJF, to bring the community together, and to enhance the services that your

Federation provides.

The first months were spent evaluating where we were and setting some early goals. The 1995 Campaign was facing serious challenges. Standing at only 40% of the previous year's Campaign, it needed to be re-energized. Fortunately, the Campaign leadership was up to the task, and the 1995 Campaign finished 1% ahead of the 1994 Campaign. Not bad, considering where we started. Bolstered by this achievement, a goal of a 10% increase was established for the 1996 Campaign.

The 1996 Campaign got off to a great start when Joyce Wise, Campaign Chair in Cincinnati, came down to lead our Solicitor training. It was an inspiring session for those who attended. Next came our Major Gifts event. After a wonderful dinner at Phil Dunn's Cookshop, Gerda Klein captivated the audience with the story of her survival during the Holocaust. The Women's Division event,

"Dinner at Dudley's," featured Ralph Nurnberger who brought us up to date on activities in Washington that relate to the Jewish community. In addition, a Passover direct mail appeal went out. At the conclusion of this early phase of the Campaign, pledges were running at a 13% card-for-card increase.

Armed with new pledge cards, the 1996 Case for Giving, and an analysis of where our local dollars were going, the Solicitors were put to work. Many cards have already been returned, and as of this writing we have pledges amounting to 60% of our goal. A Rosh Hashanah mailing was included in the Campaign plan, and a Super Sunday-type telethon is planned. Also in the works is a final campaign event to help us reach our goal.

With the staff in place, we set out to create an increased presence in the community for CKJF. Holly gave Shalom a needed face-lift, creating a new banner head and including much more local content to the articles. The increased use of pictures and the support of our local advertisers add to the new look. The paper continues to improve with each and every issue.

Jewish Family Services has become a much more professional operation under Mollye's direction. Much of her early work, out of necessity, centered on resettlement. From this experience, Mollye recognized a need for a standardized resettlement procedure, and has now produced a Resettlement Manual to accomplish this. This year we have resettled sixteen people from four different families in Lexington.

JFS is responsible for linking the members of central Kentucky's Jewish community with available resources and support services. Mollye has conducted a community-wide needs assessment to determine what social services are most needed in our Jewish community. As a social worker, Mollye does psychosocial and family assessments, grief counseling, develops pro-

grams based on community need, does crisis intervention and mental health referrals. Most importantly, Mollye has provided a true sense of confidentiality and trust around Jewish Family Services.

On the programming side, Kim has had an outstanding year bringing exciting programs to the central Kentucky Jewish community. From the happy celebrations like Yom Ha'atzmaut and Jerusalem 3000 to solemn occasions like the Stars of Remembrance dedication, CKJF programming brought the community together. The first annual CKJF Hanukkah Party, held December 24 at Hunan's restaurant was a great evening for families. The Leisure Club, which provides activities for our seniors, is now coordinated from our office. This year's Camp Shalom set records for attendance and fun! And working together, Kim and Mollye have set up the CKJF office as a satellite location for the Wise Jewish Singles Network.

It was also a very active year on the community relations front. Nationally we were faced with the Million Man March and the Southern Baptist Convention's statement on the Jewish people. Locally prayer in schools became an issue of great concern. And of course we were all shocked and saddened by the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin.

The highlight of our programming year, "An Evening with Elie Wiesel," was a cooperative effort between CKJF and the University of Kentucky Student Center Activities Board. One hundred "Patrons" had the opportunity to personally meet Mr. Wiesel at a dinner prior to his lecture to the community. Over eight hundred people came to hear Mr. Wiesel speak at UK's Memorial Hall. There were even people begging for tickets outside the hall.

Two exciting new programs have been inaugurated by action of the CKJF Board of Directors. A new element was added to our Israel Experience program. The "Gift of Israel Savings Plan" is a cooperative

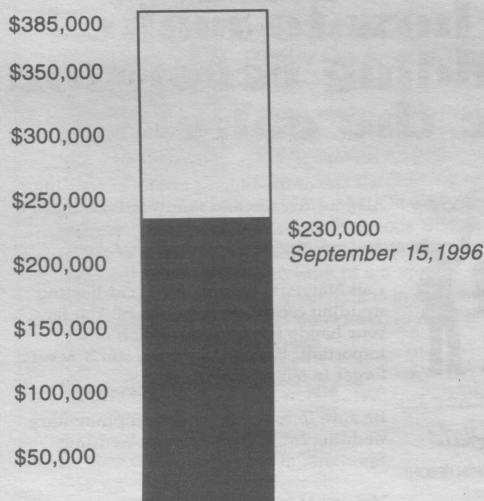
effort between parents and CKJF with the goal of enabling our teenage youth to participate in programs in Israel. The Board agreed to contribute \$100 per year to a child's savings plan. The Board also expressed its support of formal Jewish education by establishing a two-year grant for teachers' salaries for the new Central Kentucky Jewish Community School. The school, a cooperative effort between Rabbis Adland and Slaton for our post-Bar/Bat Mitzvah aged youth, is slated to begin this fall.

Looking ahead to the new year, a number of goals are already taking shape. A leadership development program will be instituted in the fall as we set out to develop leadership for the next century. Building on the "Rabbis and Professionals" meetings that were begun this past year, a "Presidents of Jewish organization" meeting will be organized. Work is already under way for a Central Kentucky Winter Family Mission in December, 1997. Community-wide Adult Jewish Education will be studied. On the administrative side, much progress has been made with our computer applications and database management, but more work remains. Upgraded hardware and an integrated accounting package are next on the agenda. We will also investigate a central Kentucky Jewish community WEB Page. An interest in a larger, more visible CKJF office has also been expressed.

It has been an exciting and productive year for the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, and the future holds much promise. But the work cannot be done without the support of the community. Support in terms of both Campaign dollars and volunteer involvement. CKJF plays an important part in the life of our Jewish community. Do your part and respond positively when asked for your support. Remember, this is your Central Kentucky Jewish Federation.

1996 UJA/Federation Campaign Central Kentucky Jewish Federation

Goal - \$385,000



COMMUNITY

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marks his transition
from childhood to adulthood
in*

*a very meaningful way.
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simcha as our son,*

חנה אברהם

Jonathan Alan

*is called to the Torah on
Shabbat, the twelfth of October,
nineteen hundred and ninety-six,
at ten-thirty in the morning.*

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Luncheon following service

*Jonathan will also lead the Erev Shabbat service
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