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Michael Adelstein Holocaust Education Program to be held in the fall

CKJF sponsors high school teacher attendance

By Judith Levine

Many times we ask ourselves, why keep talking about the Shoah? Why insist on Holocaust education? What is the value of repeating the story?

One answer, among many, is to keep alive the memory of those who perished. Another is to sensitize our children about the horrors which can result from hatred of "the other."

Every year, CKJF tries to keep the message alive by sponsoring seven public high school teachers to visit the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. Over the past three years 21 teachers participated in the

Michael Adelstein Holocaust Education program and came back to teach in classrooms across the Blue Grass Region.

To further both goals, we share with you a letter sent from Warsaw to Buenos Aires (and Lexington) at the end of June 2005.

Hi guys:
Beyond the actual reason I'm here, being in Warsaw is very moving. It really hits you like a punch that you can walk and walk through the streets and find nothing from that other time,

see **Holocaust Education**, page 16

Community Campaign vital to worldwide Jewish issues

Maguire's death highlights importance of individual participation

By Daniel Chefec

Sometimes, when we think about the Community Campaign, we tend to focus on what it is immediate rather than what it is important—and they are not necessarily the same or, sometimes, even compatible. Let me share with you part of an email from Howard Riegner, executive vice president of United Jewish Communities:

"On June 10, Robert F. Maguire, Jr., passed away. Maguire was the chief pilot of Operation Magic Carpet, which evacuated more than 40,000 Jews from Yemen to Israel between late 1948 and early 1950.

"Why was it necessary for Jews to flee their homes? Because various Arab countries began acting against their Jewish citizens after the declaration of the State of Israel and

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Daniel Chefec, CKJF Director, presents outgoing president, David Feinberg, with a token of appreciation for his service. Photo by Irv Stern

CKJF annual meeting honors award recipients

By Marcia Blacker

Outgoing president of the CKJF Board of Directors David Feinberg conducted the final meeting of the year on June 22, 2005. Feinberg took this opportunity to sum up the year's activities, to praise the hard work of staff and volunteers, and to honor three members of the community for their contributions.

The president noted the diligence of Executive Director Daniel Chefec and praised the director for "keeping [him] on task." The staff—Stacey Heisler, Jana Lazur, and Lori Zimmerman—arranged the set-up for the meeting, and continued to work throughout the evening.

In his welcoming remarks, President Feinberg noted the increase in community participation in CKJF-sponsored events and the increased participation in the campaign, making the past year a banner year for fund raising. Daniel Chefec followed by pointing out that the most recent campaign effort grew to \$394,000; Camp Shalom has been extremely successful; the website continues to be improved and utilized; committees are working to present interesting and varied programs; and the

see **Annual Meeting**, page 4

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Looking for Simchas, etc.?

We've rearranged. Please see page 17 for Around the Community, information about life cycle events.

Community Queries

We need your help. We're planning some stories for upcoming issues and need to identify members of the community from whom we can get information. So please email us at di-ifr@bardstown.com.

- you're a teacher, regardless of grade or institution;
- you have children living in Israel;
- your child who grew up in Lexington is doing something original and exciting and you'd like to share it with the community.

Share Your Simchas with *Shalom*

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Have you celebrated a special event lately? Did you take pictures? Would you like to share those pictures? Are you getting where these questions are leading?

The editorial staff of *Shalom* would like to publish pictures of you and your family/friends. We especially want parents to provide the paper with pictures of their bar or bat mitzvah. Photos of other happy events are welcome, too, as are memorial pictures. Either electronic files (send to DI-IFR@Bardstown.com) or prints (bring to CKJF office) will do.

Don't be shy. You will be helping to enhance the look of *Shalom* and helping the community get to know you and your family. The goal of this paper is, in part, to bring the Central Kentucky Jewish community closer together. Getting to know each other through stories and pictures is a good way to reach that goal.

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The New Americans

In their own words

In the early 1990s 25 Russian Jewish families were settled in Lexington under the auspices of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. It has been ten years now since the last family arrived and started its new life away from the tyranny of the Soviets. In the coming months we'll present some of their stories of what it was like to leave everything they knew and start a new life here, and where the journey has taken them thus far.

Community has power of transformation

Shalom is a mission and a vision

♦ ♦ ♦
By Elena R. Domatov

"The beauty is in the contrast of dark and light"
— Tolstoy

Shalom to all and everyone. What a caring thought to designate space in *Shalom* newspaper for immigrants' stories, to enhance our community through communication. Year after year, the power of caring reveals itself, once again urging me to express gratitude to our community for sponsoring families from the former Soviet Union. Eleven years have passed since we emigrated from Uzbekistan and found shalom at home, but immigration memories are still fresh and vivid. Caring proved not to be confined to time, form, or place.

We all live looking forward and learn by looking back. I recall that St. Patrick's Day in 1994 when we arrived in our new home, magically covering decades within a few hours.

The landing of our family of four including two children, Eugene (8) and Alexandria (6), was cushioned by the community volunteers. A new life evolved, offering numerous opportunities, sometimes disguised as challenges. Being disconnected from the old and not yet connected with the new world, I was taken over by thoughts, like wild horses. Tears came easily, forced by overwhelming gratitude, sorrow at leaving people behind, and the brightness of a new environment. It took time before those blurring tears turned into magnifying lenses; dark and light were embraced as parts of a whole.

Questions lined up impatiently, running in front of each other. How to fit and function in a new world while being shaped by the values of a different society and different culture? How to sort out the values and not lose oneself? How to bring up the children of sensitive ages so that they wouldn't take opportunities for granted? What's the password to the new system? The answer was emerging: go back to school.

My husband Gregory and I decided to define our responsibilities—he would learn English and be in charge of internal family affairs while I would handle external relationships. In a few years there was a graduation ceremony from the Patterson School with a moment when I almost dropped my diploma from a feeling of unreality. A UK professor offered me a position in a US-Russia partnership program. Along with the UK project, our team initiated a concurrent project helping Russian

orphans. Over its course, four of the orphans found a new home in the family of our director.

When the UK project was over, we established a nonprofit, internationally oriented organization in Kentucky to continue helping the orphans. The orphanage setting resonated in my memory of what I had experienced with my mother. She had been a barber, and she took me to orphanages where she trimmed children's hair and I played with them, sharing toys and sweets. I derived comfort from continuing what my mother valued. We named our nonprofit organization

InterCultural Connections, Inc., thinking that the abbreviation of "InterCultural" would give us "IC Connections," expressing our vision through its sound: "I see

connections."

All things play into one another. We are interconnected in this world, I learned that after immigration. When we lived in Uzbekistan, we had problems with Afghanistan. During the war, I was on the list of Farsi interpreters, but I was excused as I was the only provider, at that time, for my mother. Later, in the States, I realized that distance didn't protect us from Afghan problems. We are all one, vulnerable, and interdependent. I believe in diplomacy and international partnership programs.

Currently, I contribute to the UK partnership project with my hometown, Tashkent, Uzbekistan. The political situation in Uzbekistan slowed down the development of the project, giving me time to work on earning qualification as a legal interpreter for the court system in Kentucky. I would like to assure the community, that we recognize the life-changing power of caring and do our part in bringing *tikkun olam*.

It's not too late for Camp Shalom

By Elissa Brown

Camp Shalom is here again! We have kicked off August the right way and are having a blast. We have welcomed all retuning camp veterans and new faces with open arms. Our days are filled with swimming, sports, art projects, and—most important—Jewish learning. This summer we have also welcomed a brand new unit, *Gesher*. With a high enrollment, they have been enjoying everything camp has to offer and are really looking forward to the first annual *Gesher* overnight, which will take place the last day of camp. We still have room for more campers. Week Two begins Monday, August 8. We'd love to see you there. Please contact Jana LaZur at CKJF to register for camp. ☆

Our community is like our extended family. The community provides a healthy environment to raise the children, the community shared our joy at the children's Bar and Bat Mitzvah, the community insightfully supported our initiative and made our InterCultural Connections thrive; it provided us with a sense of identity, belonging, and unity.

We interpret the title chosen by our community for its newspaper, *Shalom*, as a reflection of its mission: to bring shalom. We believe that sharing of thoughts and feelings opens both minds and fists, reinforcing shalom. We wish you shalom with yourself in order to be able to care about others. Thank you again for giving us, especially our children, a second chance for living meaningful lives. We would be pleased to hear from you by phone: (859) 971-1711, or email: domatov@uky.edu. Shalom.

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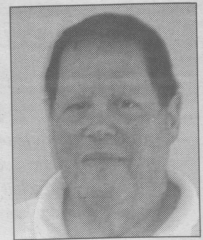
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President's Message

Marty Barr



New CKJF President

No one is more surprised than I to be writing this column for *Shalom*. My summer had already been planned around a visit from two grandchildren (my granddaughter is a counselor at Camp Shalom) and a trip to the San Juan Islands with cousins. The fact remained, however, that the Federation is near and dear to my heart and that the continuation of its mission is extremely important to the Lexington Jewish community. I was also very impressed by the quality of the Board and the willingness of our younger members to assume positions of responsibility as board members and committee chairs.

For those of you who don't know me, I have been a resident of Lexington and a member of Temple Adath Israel since 1977. I am a

graduate of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and have a masters in international business from Fairleigh-Dickinson University. My working career was spent in finance and product management with IBM and Lexmark and I have been retired since 1996. Barbara and I have three children, two boys and a girl—none of whom,

boys and a girl, who range in age from 4 to 15.

About five years ago, community members held a series of planning meetings to outline a set of goals for the Federation. In the main those have been achieved, but, as with anything, there are always improvements to be made. I have

already sent the Board and committee chairs a note asking for their input on all aspects of Federation including needed additions, program deletions, changes in course or operational philosophy, and the like. There is nothing sacred.

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unfortunately, live in Lexington. We also have six grandchildren, five

I would ask the same of our general membership. I won't guarantee that

every idea will become a reality, but each will be reviewed and responded to. Please send your thoughts to me care of the CKJF office. If you want to email me, my address is barrmb@earthlink.net.

Finally, at the annual meeting David Feinberg talked about the need to increase our commitment to Israel and other overseas Jewish groups both as a percentage of our total budget and in absolute dollars. The first step in attaining this goal is the attainment of our campaign target for 2005. Please give generously when you are called. Thanks and have a great summer. ☆

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Annual Meeting (from page 1)

newspaper *Shalom* continues to provide information and features for the community.

The chairman of the nominating committee, Ray Archer, was called upon to present the slate of candidates for the new Board. At-large members nominated were Marty Barr, Doug Katz, Angie Ornstein, Ziggy Rivkin-Fish, and Ricki Rosenberg. The candidates were elected and installed by a former CKJF president, Stanley Saxe. Marty Barr and Gerald Dubilier were voted in as president and first vice president respectively.

Outgoing President Feinberg recognized and thanked other members of the Board completing their service. Ending their terms were Phil Berger, Gail Cohen, Art Lieber, and Gloria Rie.

President Feinberg also presented special awards to Sandy Goldberg, Barbara Barr, and Ruth Poley. The Young Leadership Award went to Sandy Goldberg for his active role in bringing the younger members of the CKJF community together. Ziggy Rivkin-Fish accepted the award for Sandy, who was unable to attend. Barbara Barr accepted the Volunteer of the Year award for her contributions to Tikkun, Faith in Action, and Storytellers. The President's Award was given to Ruth Poley for her roles in spearheading the Community Activities Committee, and serving as editor-in-chief of the *Shalom* newspaper.

In presenting these awards, President Feinberg praised the dedication, effort, and commitment to the Jewish community of all the recipients.

When the business part of the meeting ended, Daniel Chefec introduced special guest Uriel Palti, the Consul General of Israel in Philadelphia, highest-ranking representative of the State of Israel to the Mid-Atlantic region (consisting of Delaware, Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and southern New Jersey).



Ruth Poley, winner of this year's President's Award.



Barbara Barr after receiving the Cookie Wenneker Volunteer of the Year Award.

The Consul briefed those attending on the current situation in Israel, including the disengagement from Gaza and the building of the security fence. ☆



Barbara Barr's storytelling captures audience.



Ryann Schermer, right, shows off watermelon eating technique.



Teams changing sides at softball game.



Elissa Klein looks on as husband, Seth Noar (right), and other Jewgrass Boys, Ziggy Rivkin-Fish and Neil Kash, warm-up before their performance.

Community picnic enjoyed by all

Fun, games, food all contribute to a great afternoon

By Lisa Satin

On Sunday, June 26, about 80 members of the Jewish community met at Veteran's Park for a picnic sponsored by the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. From infants to toddlers to seniors, and including several dogs, everyone who participated had a great time. The weather cooperated by being dry and breezy.

CKJF made picnicking easy by providing ice, paper goods, drinks, and delicious desserts. The Federation also provided lots of entertainment. The fun began with a coed softball game enjoyed by the adults and teenagers. While that was going on, Mimi Kaufman organized the younger children's games. They competed in a three-legged race, a water balloon toss, and a suitcase relay race. Prizes were awarded liberally. Isaac Satin's favorite game was the water balloon toss because he enjoyed getting wet on a hot day, even though if the balloon breaks, you don't win a prize.

If those activities in the hot sun left everyone needing refreshment, both kids and adults could indulge themselves in a watermelon-eating contest. Merav Eres was the winner in the younger kids group, and Ryann Schermer won in the adult category.

After everyone had their fill of food, drink, watermelon, and dessert, the storytelling and music began. Barbara Barr captivated her young audience with several stories, which Felix Satin described as cool and funny. Meanwhile, the Jewgrass Boys, Neal Kash, Ziggy Rivkin-Fish, and Seth Noar, once again provided excellent musical entertainment. And some folks participated in none of the planned activities but had a great time schmoozing all afternoon.

For some spontaneous fun as the picnic was winding down, the kids continued to cool themselves off by dunking their heads in the ice water from the coolers and by throwing the leftover ice into the air for an impromptu hailstorm.

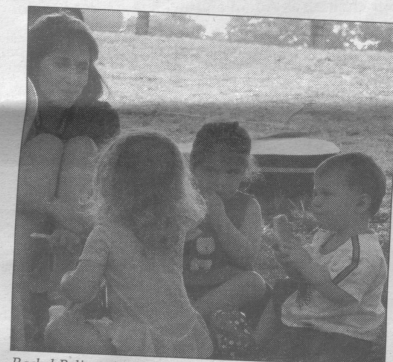
Most everyone who came this time is looking forward to next year. If you missed this picnic, be sure to watch *Shalom* for next year's date; this event offered fun for everyone. ☼ Photos by Micah Kaufman



Just schmoozin'



Nadia Goldberg and Max Kaufman in the suitcase relay race. Mimi Kaufman cheers them on.



Rachel Belin, with Sarah and Benjamin, enjoy watermelon with a friend.



Kids in mid-watermelon contest.



Vivian and Harold Bitensky and granddaughter.

From the Executive Director

Daniel Chefec

Adam, Eve, and the shark

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The shark is in the news, not only because of Sharkboy and Lava Girl, but because of the shark attacks off the coast of Florida. Yet I think we should not complain. Bear with me while I go back to the beginning—literally—to present my case.

After Adam and Eve chose to disobey God and eat from the tree of the knowledge of Good and Evil, according to the biblical tale they were expelled from the Garden of Eden. Different traditions have interpreted this fact in different ways; many of these interpretations are by rabbis, of course. One of the streams of interpretation of the story, and the one I am the most comfortable with, claims that once Adam and Eve ate the fruit of the knowledge of Good and Evil they were expelled not as a punishment, but as the result of simple logic. If you acquire the knowledge, you can no longer benefit from the bliss of ignorance; you are no longer entitled to ignore your responsibilities. So God still allows us our free will, but with one condition: we must take responsibility for our choices, as Adam and Eve were forced to do.

This concept of responsibility being an integral part of freedom is a central one in Judaism, and it is behind the

very concept of *het* or "missing the mark," commonly mistranslated as "sin." Yet this role of responsibility in Judaism has many corollaries. Chief among them is that whatever choices we make, we will have to live with the consequences, whatever they are. And this aspect of the idea has made it into mainstream western culture and popular sayings, as in, "You made your bed, now lie in it."

How does all this relate to the shark?

According to all Abrahamic traditions, humanity was entrusted with creation when God

gave his first commandment: "Be fruitful, multiply, spread over the face of the earth." By saying this, God gave humanity the trust of taking care of the natural world, and humanity has made choices ever since.

We made the choice of exploiting natural resources without care for environmental damage for many years. We made the choice of dumping our refuse and industrial contaminants in rivers and therefore seas. We made the choice of over fishing for the profit it brought us in the market, thus depleting entire sea regions.

Since we made those choices, we need to live with the consequences. We made this bed, now we need to sleep on it. The depletion of fish off the coasts of Florida by a combination of pollution and over fishing forces sea

predators—sharks among them—to seek food elsewhere, thus approaching the shores in search of nourishment. If the sharks are guilty of anything, it is of having a will to survive.

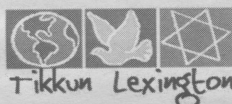
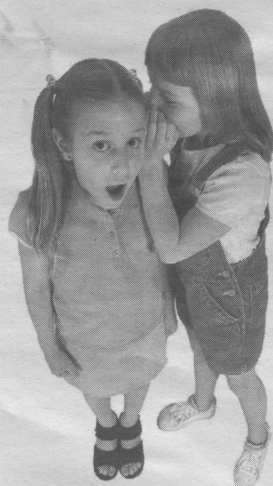
Having said that, we still must find a way to prevent attacks which endanger innocent people. Here are my "revolutionary" ideas:

- Let us choose to fix the environmental damage we made.
- Let us choose to clean the mess we made with pollution all over the planet.
- Let us take a more responsible approach to fishing and indeed to the exploitation of all natural resources.

I don't know about you, but I'd be happy to live with the consequences of these choices. ☆



Tikkun Lexington Stewart Home Visitation Schedule



Thursday, September 22
Wednesday, October 5
Thursday, November 3
Wednesday, December 14

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Adult Yiddish class in the works

Raphael Finkel plans to lead a beginners' Yiddish class starting in the fall, at a place and time to be determined.

Yiddish as the language of Ashkenazic Jews, has been spoken for about a thousand years. Its origins are still a matter of dispute, but the best guess is that it was first spoken in the Rhine valley and moved eastward, partially under the pressure of the Crusades, until it covered a large swath of Europe from Alsace to Ukraine, from Estonia to Moldova. (Of course, these are relatively recent names.)

Yiddish has always assimilated vocabulary from the surrounding languages as well as other Jewish languages. Its vocabulary is mostly Germanic (*kumen*), with sizeable intermixtures of Hebrew (*besmedresh*), Aramaic (*mistome*), and Slavic (*krenitse*), and smaller amounts of Romance (*bentshn*) and Turkish (*patlezhn*). In America, it has acquired English components (*nekstörke*); in South America, it has acquired Spanish components (*manifestatsye*).

Yiddish dialects can be roughly categorized as Western, Northern, Central, and Southern. The Western dialect disappeared over a hundred years ago, leaving some traces in German (*berkhes* instead of *khale* for the Sabbath bread; *orn* instead of *davnen* for praying). Northern Yiddish is the dialect in Lithuania and Belarus; it is characterized by its vowels (*Meyshe* instead of *Moyshes*), its consonants (*gesmak* instead of *geshmak*), its vocabulary (*krom* instead of *kleyt* or *gevelb*), and its grammar (*hob gegangen* instead of *bin gegangen*). Southern Yiddish is the

dialect of Romania, Moldova, and Ukraine; it is also characterized by vowels (*kigl* instead of *kugl*) and vocabulary (*kleyt* instead of *krom* or *gevelb*). Central Yiddish has its own vowels (*klayn* instead of *kleyt*) and vocabulary (*gevelb* instead of *kleyt* or *krom*).

The beginners' class will use a standard mixture of these dialects usually known as *klal yidish*. Yiddish has always been written in a modified Hebrew alphabet. The modifications are primarily to introduce vowels. For instance, the Hebrew letter *ayin* has a consonant sound in Hebrew that is never used in Yiddish. So Yiddish uses that letter for the vowel *e*. Some letters are combined in standard ways to create other vowels, such as two *yuds* together for *ey* as in the English "bake."

Spelling has not been standardized, although there is a 50-year-old standard promulgated by YIVO (the Yiddish research society). YIVO also has a standard for Romanization (spelling Yiddish with English letters.) Depending on the reading



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abilities of the students, the beginners' class will start with English letters and switch to Hebrew letters at some point. We will use YIVO conventions in both alphabets.

Learning a language requires a degree of dedication. We will use the textbook *Yiddish: An Introduction to the Language, Literature & Culture*, Vol. I, by Sheva Zucker. This book can be purchased from the Workmen's Circle, 45 East 33rd St., New York, NY 10016; it costs \$24.95. Tapes of all the lessons are also available from the author. We will meet once a week for about two hours, working on oral and verbal comprehension and expression, with a lesser emphasis on grammar.

Raphael A. Finkel was born in 1951 and grew up in Chicago. His grandfather was the noted Yiddishist Morris Finkel. Unfortunately, Morris died in 1940, and Raphael grew up in a household where Yiddish was only used as

see Adult Yiddish, page 12

Cycling Spiegels gear up against MS

By Charles S. Spiegel

The Cycling Spiegels survived the hot weekend and completed 115 miles (the short route) of the Multiple Sclerosis Bike Tour from Georgetown to Danville and back. At the dinner program on Centre College's campus Saturday night, they announced the top fundraisers to date for 2005. The Cycling Spiegels (ten members this year) were in fifth place with over \$10,000. I personally raised \$1,255 and hope for some late donations and promised donations, to get me to my goal of \$1,500. We

had a wonderful time and really enjoyed the family time together.

There were some inspiring speeches at the dinner that made us feel so good about raising money to find a cure for Multiple Sclerosis—a horrible illness. Even though we were all dragging the next day, it made us want to join the tour again next year. The participants also



Team Spiegel takes a breather.



Charlie Spiegel moving almost too fast for the camera.

extend their thanks for the generosity of donors who made the triumph possible.

Personally, I joyously sailed through the first day and feel that the adrenal gland surgery of January allowed this to be my best first day in my five years of racing. Sunday, at 90+ degrees and muggy, I struggled.

The past couple of years we finished in fourth place overall. In those years we pulled ahead of the other fourth placer in the post-race period that we are now in. I will update when the final race results are posted. The teams ahead of us have 20 to 39 members, but we can overtake them. ☆

Rabbi's Corner

Rabbi Sharon Cohen

A holiday of perspective

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Let me begin by asking a question: Can you name all of the major Jewish holidays? You may want to take out a pencil and a piece of paper and see how many you can list.

I'm willing to bet that somewhere on your list is Hanukkah. How about Passover? Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur probably came to mind. Those who love costumes and revelry: Purim may have made your list. Some of you quiz takers out there may have even written down Shavuot, the third of our three Pilgrimage Festivals (Sukkot and Passover being the other two), which is often forgotten since it is a holiday without a lot of special ritual (besides study and eating dairy) and usually comes as the summer begins.

How many of you listed Tisha b'Av? Tisha b'Av? Oh, yes, isn't that the holiday that has something to do with the Temples? I venture to guess that when you were thinking of the cycle of the Jewish holidays, Tisha b'Av did not immediately come to mind. After all, we tend to focus on holidays that are celebratory in nature or that have a deep spiritual message for us, and destruction, mourning, and sadness are the major themes most associated with the one-day holiday of Tisha b'Av, which this year begins Saturday evening, August 13.

Tisha b'Av, the ninth day of the month of Av, is the traditional day of mourning to commemorate the destruction of the First and Second Temples in Jerusalem. It is said that both Temples were destroyed on the ninth of Av—the First by the Babylonians in 586 BCE and the Second by the Romans in 70 CE. The Great Temple was central to our ancestors' worship of God and served as a holy site that bound Jews together, regardless of where they lived. With its final destruction, the sacrificial cult in Judaism ended, and Jews found new ways to connect with God and new institutions to support one another.

Still, in Jewish tradition the ninth of Av has historical significance beyond the destruction of the Temples. According to the Mishnah, it was on the ninth of Av that God decreed that the generation of the Exodus from

Egypt would not enter the Promised Land. The fall of Betar, the last stronghold of the leaders of the Bar Kokhva Revolt against the Romans, is said to have occurred on the ninth of Av, 135 CE. Most notably, the expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492 is attributed to this day as well.

Thus, the holiday of Tisha b'Av evolved through time not only as a day of mourning for the destruction of the Temples, but also as the symbolic date for all the persecutions and misfortunes of the Jewish people. In fact, after the Holocaust, Jewish leaders debated whether to commemorate the Holocaust on Tisha b'Av since it appropriately marked so many other great tragedies in our history. In the end, a separate day to remember the tragedy of the Holocaust was established, just a few days after Passover each year.

As a sign of mourning and introspection, it is customary to observe Tisha b'Av as a full day of fasting—just as we do on Yom Kippur. In the synagogue, people generally sit on low benches or on the floor and recite prayers without the full sense of joy and spirit we might normally have. During the evening and morning services, the book of *Eicha* (Lamentations), attributed to the prophet Jeremiah, is chanted using a hauntingly beautiful melody. The poetry of Jeremiah transports us back to 586 BCE as we lament the

destruction of the Temple and all of Jerusalem and mourn our exile from our homeland.

It is easy to see why Tisha b'Av is not the most widely observed of holidays. It is a holiday of sadness, mourning, and fasting that comes in the heat of summer here in the Northern Hemisphere—usually late July or August. It marks events far divorced from our historical experience. Many suggest that the holiday would have died out long ago among much of the Jewish world if not for Jewish summer camps, which have helped to give the holiday a less

mournful tone. Since the founding of the State of Israel, Jewish summer camps have used the final hours of Tisha b'Av as a time to acknowledge the positive: our ability to rise up from the ashes of destruction and build for ourselves a new nation. Many communities

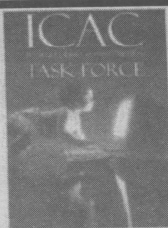
outside of such camps have also begun to focus prayer and study activities upon themes of rebuilding and renewal rather than despair and destruction. Although we can mourn the destruction of the Temples and the other tragic events that have devastated our people, we can also temper the sadness with the happiness of freedom, rebuilding, and hope.

It is with this perspective in mind that I have found a new understanding of, and connection to, the holiday of Tisha b'Av. In addition to a traditional chanting of the mournful *Eicha* at our Tisha b'Av evening service, I always include texts and songs that remind us of the resilient nature of our people and our tradition. While the evening of Tisha b'Av may continue to be sad in tone, I find my mood shifting by the next afternoon as I think not only about destruction, but about the ways we have found to move beyond it.

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Bowling family shines in *Fiddler*

By Mary Engel

If you saw *Fiddler on the Roof* at the Lexington Shakespeare Festival in July, perhaps it seemed more authentically Jewish than other productions. That's because, in some ways, it was.

It's not because the show hired a technical adviser. There was no need for that, not with the Bowling family around. All four members of the family—Lew and Vivian and sons Danny and Aaron—played parts in the production, onstage and off. When there were questions about Jewish traditions or rituals, the Bowlings, longtime members of the Jewish community, proved to be a natural resource.

Lew, 64, played the rabbi; Vivian, 54, also known as Aviva, was cast as Rivka, the rabbi's wife; Aaron, 21, was an innkeeper's son; and Danny, 24, was the master electrician and light board operator for *Fiddler* and for the festival's two other productions, *As You Like It* and *Cyrano de Bergerac*.

It was the first time the four of them had worked on the same production. "I think it's great because we are all together all the time," Vivian said. "It's lots of fun."

Aaron enjoyed it, too. "Surprisingly, it isn't weird at all," he said.

After he was cast as the rabbi, Lew began growing his beard in earnest. He has had one since 1971 (Vivian and his sons have never seen him without it), but it was neatly trimmed and too short for the role. By showtime, it was several inches long.

Lew took other parts of his rabbinical role seriously, too. He made a ketubah and a fake Torah scroll for the wedding scene and, because the script had no instructions for stage business, he made sure the wedding looked as traditional as possible, complete with a wine cup and breaking the glass. "It's basically a Jewish wedding," he said during rehearsals, "except I won't let them

say the right words, or they would be married." During another scene, his character must bless a sewing machine, but no blessing was provided in the script, "so I just came up with one." In Hebrew, of course.

Vivian taught the star of the show, Robert Parks Johnson, a Hebrew song for a scene in which Tevye is constantly being interrupted by his wife, Golde. Normally, an actor would mumble his way through that scene, but that's not what happened this time.

The Bowlings have lived in Lexington for seventeen years. Lew is a special collections librarian at the University of Kentucky. Vivian works in the admissions office of the graduate school at UK. Danny is a UK graduate with a degree in technical theater and design who works on productions at the School for the Creative and Performing Arts and the Singletary Center; he also manages Mocha Monkey Cafe. Aaron is a senior at UK majoring in drama and Spanish.



Daniel, Vivian, Lew, and Aaron Bowling take a break from rehearsal.

The younger Bowlings seem to have come by their love of theater—and music—naturally.

Vivian, who was born in Israel, is a violinist who has played with the Lexington Philharmonic and Lexington Community orchestras. She also plays the guitar, harp, and several other string instruments, and for fifteen years was the music director for the Sunday school at OZS. She also teaches Israeli folk dancing and singing and has appeared in such musicals as *Pajama Game* and *South Pacific*. Her last theatrical appearance was offstage,

however, as the violinist for a 1981 production of *Fiddler* in Fairbury, Nebraska, where the Bowlings lived before moving to Lexington.

Lew, a talented saxophonist who also plays clarinet and a number of other wind instruments, has a master's degree and a doctorate in music theory and composition. He plays with the Lexington Community Orchestra and other groups, and he and Danny, a cellist, at one time were part of a trio that played at weddings and other events. Lew started acting when he was in high school, and he was involved in community theater in Nebraska. But it wasn't until January 2004 that he stepped on a Lexington stage, in the Studio Players production of *Other People's Money*. Other productions in the area followed, including *Merry Wives of Windsor* at last summer's Shakespeare Festival.

Danny's talent on the cello got him into SCAPA. In sixth grade, he was asked to do technical work for SCAPA's production of *The Wizard of Oz*. "I had a really great experience," he said; since then "I've been doing tech for any show that I could get into." He became interested in stage lighting while at Lafayette High

School. This is his third season with the Lexington Shakespeare Festival, but his history with the event goes back to the summer he was 15. He filled in for a friend, operating a spotlight for productions of *Treasure Island* and *Richard III*.

When he was younger, Aaron, who plays the piano, was involved in Lexington Children's Theater, and he attended the Governor's School for the Arts in 2001. He acted in and did tech work for shows at Bryan Station High School, where he was a member of the first class to graduate from the Spanish Immersion Program. He has appeared in several productions at UK and last year worked with his dad on Studio Players' *Arsenic and Old Lace*.

For the Shakespeare Festival, Lew and Aaron took part in a general audition and just happened to be cast in *Fiddler*. Vivian auditioned specifically for *Fiddler*. She was cast as "one of the mamas," as she put it. During rehearsals her part evolved into being the rabbi's wife, opposite her husband of 31 years.

Rehearsals started in late May and kept the family busy six nights a

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By Stanley Ned Rosenbaum, PhD

Modern times

In 1790 George Washington wrote his now famous letter to the Jewish congregation in Newport, R.I. The first president characterized the new country as one that "gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance." Jews, along with other minorities, might counter that the country has not always followed the high road Washington mapped out, or that we've witnessed plenty of bigotry without government assistance, but let's not kvetch.

A little more than 200 years after Washington's letter, a real Jew (unlike Barry Goldwater, who had only one Jewish grandparent) ran for the office of vice president on the Democratic ticket. Okay, so he lost, but so did Catholic Al Smith in 1928. It's a start.

What this shows is that, more and more, being Jewish does not bar one from participation in all aspects of this country's life and at any level. Of course, every situation has the fault of its virtue. A few years before Joe

Lieberman ran for office, a group of Jews—including two we'd known as students in Jerusalem—made a run to visit the Dalai Lama. The trip was chronicled by Roger Kamenetz as *The Jew in the Lotus* (NY: Harper, 1995).

The Dalai Lama is interested in learning how Jews have survived their Diaspora, since the same situation faces his people now. But these Jews weren't just there as technical advisors; some of them practice Buddhist meditation techniques.

In some Jewish circles, this "muddying" of the spiritual waters is at the heart of Jewish self-identity and survival problems in the modern

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period. Sure, Buddhism isn't, strictly speaking, a religion, and Unitarianism doesn't require that its adherents convert from any previous faith; neither did Christian Science.

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But aren't these paths tributaries of the slippery slope that leads to apathy, intermarriage, and assimilation?

The major problem that we face in America now, it seems, is this: not being under attack, it's hard to maintain a garrison mentality. Of course, Jews who identify with Israel have no trouble remaining on guard. Our godson, Ben Blutstein, z"l, was one of the nine people (only four of them Israelis) killed in the Hebrew University cafeteria bombing. And hate groups haven't gone entirely out of fashion here, either.

When Mary and I were married, *Commentary* was a leading liberal publication; now it's become quite right wing. Why? Support for Israel seems more and more a "card" in Republican hands, never mind that their motives may not be the purest. President Bush, rightly I think, concluded that Yassir Arafat was double-dealing when the Israelis intercepted a ship carrying 50 tons of weaponry off the coast of Israel bound for use by Palestinian terrorists; liberals tend to be more suspicious of Israel and willing to see the Palestinians as oppressed underdogs.

Another problem, if you will, is that with the increasing distribution of Jews across the country and away from major cities, courting the "Jewish vote" becomes less of a factor for either party, especially since it seems to be tending more toward an even split than the monolithic bloc it once was. Moreover, Jews as a percentage of the national population are declining. A recent study suggested that by 2076 there would only be 10,000 Jews here. All quite Orthodox. Of course.

Even if this "Chicken Little" scenario* doesn't come to pass, there does seem to be a skewing of allegiance within our community toward the right, toward Orthodoxy.

And, of course, the birth rate among Orthodox is not your standard 2.3 children per family, a figure which is barely enough to sustain current population numbers.

I've always taught students that America is the greatest threat to Judaism since Alexander the Great! Note carefully: I said "Judaism," not "Jews." (The Holocaust was the greatest threat to Jews.) With all the temptations of the world's most affluent society beckoning to us and persecution virtually nonexistent here, it is difficult to remain "a people who dwells apart."

Those who wish to retain some sort of separate identity without committing to Orthodoxy are increasingly sending their children to Jewish day schools such as the Solomon Schecter schools of the Conservative movement. By really educating children in the beauties of Judaism, rather than sending them to Hebrew school once or twice a week and then going through Bar/Bat Mitzvahs that are, increasingly, challah-and-circus affairs, they hope to raise a generation of people for whom Judaism is a vibrant part of their core identity.

Looking back over 350 years, one can only exclaim "What a run." And it isn't over yet. However, I can't end this series without noting that the American Jewish community, while easily the largest, is not the only Jewish community in the world. Just as our center of gravity shifted from Israel to Babylon to Baghdad to Spain to Eastern Europe and then here, it may not stay here forever.

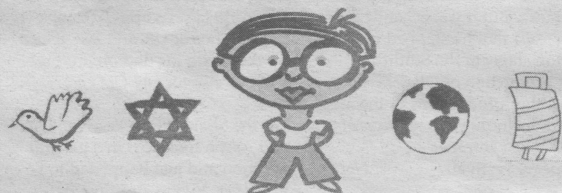
In any case, it's going to be very interesting to see what the next 350 years bring.

*The original Chicken Little was Jewish, of course; they changed the name from "Klein" when they came from Europe. ☆

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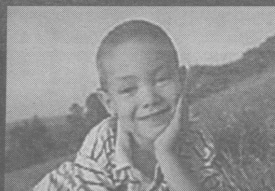
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the ensuing War of Independence, and without a place of refuge these Jews might have been added to the six million lost during the then-recent Holocaust.

"Attacks on Jews were nothing new in the late 1940s, given what our people had just survived. The fact that a few thousand more Jews might have been destroyed would have done nothing more to bring the conscience of the world to bear upon the need for a refuge for our people.

"Those who decided to take the risk of declaring the Jewish state realized that to not have done so would have been an even greater risk. Almost immediately there was a test of whether or not a Jewish homeland during the 1930s and 1940s could have saved anyone. The answer was soon demonstrated.

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Book Review

Vivian Bitensky

Novels feature Southern Jewish life

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Tova Miris has written two novels, *The Ladies Auxiliary* and *The Outside World*, exploring three different Orthodox Jewish communities and reflecting the author's Southern roots in Memphis, Tennessee.

In her first book, *The Ladies Auxiliary*, Tova Miris describes the effect on a tight-knit Jewish community when an outsider tries to "belong." The newcomer, Batsheva, is a widow, an artist, and a convert to Judaism. Her faith is very deep and she is eager to become a part of this Orthodox Southern community. She is accepted by the girls in the yeshiva, by the rabbi's son, and by the rabbi's wife. But the narrator, given the first person plural identity "we," cannot accept Batsheva's differences and finally blame her for all the problems of the community. The "we" of the Ladies' Auxiliary try in vain to keep the old ways and the tight community that they desire, but regardless of their efforts some of their children rebel, others move away, and people don't always behave the way "we" think they should.

The Outside World tells of the lives of two very different Orthodox families. The Millers are modern Orthodox. They observe Shabbat and the dietary laws, but they want to be a part of the non-Jewish secular world as well. How does this family react when their son Bryan becomes Baruch and enters the ultra-Orthodox community? The second family in the novel is the Goldmans, the ultra-Orthodox family. What happens when the Goldmans' daughter Tzippy and Baruch meet and marry is poignant and also very funny; the author gives a wonderful description of the family life of the Orthodox and their huge weddings. The couple moves to Memphis, where Baruch is to run a kosher food store and restaurant in a local Kroger. Away from her mother and the confines of her Brooklyn neighborhood, Tzippy begins to find herself. The two families come together for a Passover seder where there is a mixing of the traditional and the modern.

In both these novels there is warmth and faith and love of family that makes the reader feel that, although these characters have gone through so much, their Judaism will always be a part of them. ☆

Adult Yiddish (from page 7)

a punchline for jokes. He became interested in the language through records of Theodore Bikel, Mark Olf, and Martha Schlamme singing Yiddish folksongs. Raphael took an introductory Yiddish course at Hillel House at the University of Chicago under Max Ticktin. During graduate school days at Stanford, Raphael studied under Stanley (Shimke) Levine and David Neal (Dovid Noyekh) Miller, and became a Yiddish teacher himself. His three prize students are Kathryn Hellerstein, noted researcher of Yiddish Women's literature, and his two children, Penina (19) and Asher (15), with whom he has spoken only Yiddish since their birth. Raphael serves as a *bimke khazn* (stand-in for cantor) during High Holy days. He is also a regular *bal tfile* (prayer leader) and *bal kore* (Torah reader). In his professional life, Raphael is a computer scientist at the University of Kentucky. ☆

Thoughts on being Jewish in Argentina and the US

By Daniel Chejfec

As you may know, I am an Argentinean Jew. Yes, even after more than fifteen years of living in the United States, I am still, in many ways, the son of the Argentinean Jewish Community. How is that different from the American Jewish community? Well, it is very different and yet in many ways it is the same.

I am proud of being an Argentinean Jew because it gave me the ability to confront my doubts about who I am. In this country, we tend to look for the ultimate description of Judaism, one that will include every Jew, secular and religious, Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist, and every other Jewish variety. Argentinean Jews do not bother themselves with such analysis, because they know we are one; they don't need to proclaim it. They might not be as knowledgeable of many aspects of Judaism as American Jews, but they surpass the American Jewish community in other areas.

To begin with, Argentinean Jews accept that the commonality of all Jews is not in the particular answers that differ from movement to movement, but in the search for answers itself. It is the process of questioning who we are that makes Judaism a vital heritage—that is the Argentinean premise. Of course there are still passionate arguments among those in different ideological streams, but everybody recognizes that above those differences we are all Jews. Let me share an example: during the height (or depth) of the "Who is a

Jew" argument in Israel, not a single Argentinean Jew by Choice was denied Jewish identity. Was it because all of them converted with Orthodox rabbis? Hardly: the largest group of Jews by Choice in Argentina comes from the *Seminario Rabinico Latino Americano*, the Conservative Movement's Seminary in Argentina founded by Marshall Meyer. So did Argentinean Jews receive special treatment? Or are Conservative rabbis from Argentina better regarded than the ones from America? The answer is "No" to both. The difference stems from the way Jews look at each other in Argentina. Argentina designated a chief rabbi following the European model, and the different denominations reached an agreement. The Conservative Movement agreed that the chief rabbi of Argentina was always going to be Orthodox, but the Orthodox Movement accepted the fact that Conservative rabbis are in fact rabbis and their conversions are valid. Therefore, the Orthodox Chief Rabbi of Argentina co-signs the conversion certificates, endorsing the work of the Conservative. The result: keeping the forms while challenging the status quo—that is the mark of Argentinean Jews.

More Jews in Argentina attend High Holiday Services than do their North American peers, yet the community is by and large Socialist-Zionist. They recognize that Zionism is the national liberation movement of the Jewish people, emerging from the continuity of the Jewish experience. In the Argentine Jewish mindset there is no contradiction between being a secular Socialist-Zionist and attending services, for they see both as valid

expressions of the continuous search for Jewish identity.

Argentina Jews—indeed, all Argentineans in general—will give what they don't have to help people who are in a worse condition. This generosity has been born of the harsh life of Argentinean citizens. Poverty, unemployment, political instability, and dictatorships (military as well as civilian) are not abstract concepts for an Argentinean: they are everyday facts.

So yes, I am proud of belonging to my adoptive country, America, for its tradition of individual rights and the rule of law. I am also proud of being an Argentinean Jew, for I am the heir of a tradition of community and Jewish passion.

Daniel Chejfec came to the US in 1989 and is currently serving as executive director of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation in Lexington. ☆



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Hillel has new advisors

Trio will get the job done

By Jana LaZur

For more than ten years, the Jewish student organization Hillel has been able to rely upon Dr. Austin Cantor to lead the group. He has handled the finances, formally sponsored the organization as a religious group on the University of Kentucky campus, and attended monthly meetings of the Religious Advisory Committee. In addition to these responsibilities, he has recruited new students, spoken with parents of prospective students, and planned entertaining activities, not to mention cooking delicious latkes each Hanukkah. Many thanks to Dr. Cantor for all of his hard work and dedication.

We are happy to announce three new people on board to work as Hillel advisors. Greg Davis is the lead advisor, but because he frequently travels, he felt the need to share the responsibilities with Nancy Schoenberg and Karen Petrone. This trio will work with the college

students, assist in activity planning, and generally take over for Dr. Cantor. Thanks to these leaders for their willingness to make this commitment. Hillel will benefit from their assistance with programming, religious scheduling conflicts with classes, holiday meals when students cannot make it home during the semester, and, of course, Shabbat dinners. Hillel is a small group whose members enjoy their Jewish bonds and spend a good deal of time together.

The Hillel students' morale is high, so we feel there are no heights that cannot be reached. This is in part thanks to last year's Hillel president, Leah Craft. She hand-selected the officers to carry on the tradition of weekly Shabbat dinners, meetings, and lectures. Joe Pollock, our new president, has already made plans for the semester. The first thing on the schedule is a lecture with Rabbi Tropper, to take place on Sunday, August 28. Details will be sent out in the Jewish Weekly emails. ☆

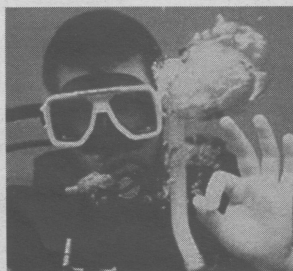
Israeli discovers way to breathe underwater without oxygen tanks

By Iddo Genuth

An Israeli inventor has developed a breathing apparatus that will allow breathing underwater without the assistance of oxygen tanks. This new invention will use the relatively small amounts of air that already exist in water to supply oxygen to both scuba divers and submarines. The invention has already captured the interest of most major diving manufacturers as well as the Israeli Navy.

The idea of breathing underwater without cumbersome oxygen tanks has been the dream of science fiction writers for many years. In George Lucas' movie *The Phantom Menace*, Obi-Wan whips out a little Jedi underwater breathing apparatus and dives in. As things tend to happen in our world, yesterday's science fiction has turned into today's science fact due to one Israeli inventor with a dream.

There are a number of limitations to the existing oxygen tank underwater breathing method. The first is the amount of time a diver can stay underwater, which is the result of the oxygen tank capacity. Another limitation is the dependence on



oxygen refueling facilities near the diving site which are costly to operate and are used to compress the gas into the tanks which might be dangerous if not handled properly.

The final problem has to do with the actual use of oxygen tanks underwater. When these tanks are in use they empty out and change the balance of the diver in the water.

Engineers have tried to overcome these limitations for many years now. Nuclear submarines and the international space station use systems that generate Oxygen from water by performing 'Electrolysis', which is chemical separation of Oxygen from Hydrogen. These systems require very large amounts of energy to operate. For this reason, smaller, diesel fueled submarines cannot use these systems and are required to resurface to re-supply their oxygen tanks every so often. Divers can't even consider carrying such large machines not to mention supplying them with energy.

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To overcome this limitation an Israeli inventor, Alon Bodner, turned to fish. Fish do not perform chemical separation of oxygen from water; instead they use the dissolved air that exists in the water in order to breathe. In the ocean the wind, waves and underwater currents help spread small amounts of air inside the water.

Studies have shown that in a depth of 200m below the sea there is still about 1.5% of dissolved air. This might not sound like much but it is enough to allow both small and large fish to breathe comfortably underwater.

Bodner's idea was to create an artificial system that will mimic the way fish use the air in the water thus allowing both smaller submarines and divers to get rid of the large, cumbersome oxygen tanks.

The system developed by Bodner uses a well known physical law called the "Henry Law" which describes gas absorption in liquids. This law states that the amount of gas that can be dissolved in a liquid body is proportional to the pressure on the liquid body.

The law works in both directions - lowering the pressure will release more gas out of the liquid. This is done by a centrifuge which rotates rapidly thus creating under pressure inside a small sealed chamber containing sea water. The system will be powered by rechargeable batteries. Calculations showed that a one kilo Lithium battery can provide a diver with about one hour of diving time.

Bodner has already built and tested a laboratory model and he is on the path to building a full-scale prototype. Patents for the invention have already been granted in Europe and a similar one is currently pending examination in the US.

Meetings have already been held with most major diving manufacturers as well as with the Israeli Navy. Initial financial support for the project has been given by Israel Ministry of Industry and Commerce and Bodner is currently looking for private investors to help complete his project.

If everything goes according to plan, in a few years the new tankless breathing system will be operational and will be attached to a diver in the form of a vest that will enable him to stay underwater for a period of many hours.

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THE NOON-TIMERS (Formerly Known As The Leisure Club)

will be having a luncheon on

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12:00 noon at Jennifer's

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Door Prizes

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Please RSVP no later than August 15, 2005 to Stacey at 859.269.8244 or ifs@jewishlexington.org

B'tayavon (Hearty Appetite)

Ruth Poley



This summer marks the end of Celebrate 350, the yearlong commemoration of the anniversary of the arrival of the first 23 Jews in America. In their honor, I am reprinting a recipe for 1600s Barley Salad from the summer issue of *Reform Judaism*. The recipe is from Tina Wasserman and, while she has taken some liberties with the ingredients (I don't think grape tomatoes were big in the colonies, and frozen corn and green beans are a stretch), I think the recipe is fairly true to what would have been available to those early settlers. Barley is a grain we don't generally think of outside of soup, but it makes a nice side dish for dinner and offers great texture and flavor to a cold salad. Don't let the long list of ingredients put you off; this is an easy dish to make and we still have plenty of summer left to enjoy a cold salad.

In honor of Rosh Hashanah, next month's column will feature apple cakes. Two people have already given me recipes for their treasured apple cakes and I would love to have a few more. If you make an apple cake that everyone loves and thinks is special, and if you're willing to share it, please send the recipe to me by August 10. We'll print as many as space allows. And thanks for sharing.

1600s Barley Salad

4 cloves garlic, finely minced
1/4 cup finely chopped cilantro
24 red grape tomatoes cut in half
1/2 cucumber, peeled, seeded, and diced
1 tsp. minced fresh (or 1/2 tsp. dried) rosemary
1 tsp. ground cumin
pinch of cloves
1 jalapeño pepper, seeded and finely diced
1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
1/2 tsp. kosher salt
freshly ground black pepper to taste
2 cups frozen yellow corn, defrosted
1 cup frozen cut green beans, defrosted
3 scallions, finely diced
1/4 cup roasted red pepper, from a jar or fresh, diced
1 15-oz. can black beans, drained and rinsed
3/4 cup barley
4 cups water
additional salt and freshly ground pepper, to taste

Combine the first 11 ingredients in a large glass serving bowl. Let marinate for at least 1/2 hour at room temperature.

Defrost corn and green beans. Discard any accumulated liquid. Have all of your remaining ingredients ready while you cook the barley.

Bring the 4 cups of water to a rolling boil. Add 1/2 teaspoon salt and then the barley. Stir to combine, cover, and reduce the heat to low. Cook for 40 minutes, until the barley is tender but not mushy.

When the barley is done, quickly drain it (without rinsing) and pour it over the tomato mixture. Toss with the remaining ingredients. Add more salt and pepper as needed. Serves 8.

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

GRIEF



You don't
have to face
it alone.

Jewish Family Services will begin a "Grief After Loss" group. The group will begin November 7, 2005 and will meet every other Monday at 6:30 p.m. at CKJF. All are welcome and there is no commitment-attend one session or as often as you like.

ALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS AND MEMBERS IDENTITIES
WILL BE HELD STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.



Please contact Jewish Family Services at 859.269.8244 or email Stacey at jfs@jewishlexington.org if you plan to attend.

Rabbi's corner (from page 8)

Although it remains one of the least observed holidays on our calendar, Tisha b'Av offers us, as it did for our ancestors, the unique opportunity to connect to challenging events in our history and to experience a small taste of the emotional impact these events had upon our people. In our day, the holiday allows us to see those events—and thus, to see all of the negative in life—in perspective as we remember that with destruction comes rebirth and with sadness comes the opportunity to celebrate the goodness in life. ☆

Bowlings (from page 9)

week until the Fourth of July; after the holiday, there were rehearsals every night. The pace was hectic, but the Bowlings are used to it.

When their sons were younger, their activities, including scouting, kept the family on the go. "My philosophy was to keep them very busy, and they have no time for mischief," Vivian said.

"We've always done things together," added Lew.

They apparently have no plans to stop. ☆

Holocaust Education (from page 1)

before the war, realizing that everything was destroyed and rebuilt different.

From the Ghetto, not even the markers were respected. There is no monument to remember the Ghetto fighters, or Mordechai Anilevich's bunker/headquarters, or the place from where deportations left, or the SS headquarters.

Just some plaques here and there tell the story. It is painful to walk where there used to be 3.3 million Jews, many carrying our names, many of our same age, or that of our spouses or of our children, and in many cases that of our grandparents. Today there is nothing.

It is painful to ask people and find out that nobody is able to point to a street or the Ghetto limits. You ask young people—the only ones who actually speak decent English—and they have no idea what you are talking about. Two out of three old-timers either ignore your questions, or respond along the lines of "The Nazis killed many Jews, but also many Polish people!"

It is almost paralyzing when you go into an old concentration camp—it blocks your imagination and your reason.

I was in Majdanek, in Lublin, about 180 km (113 miles) from Warsaw. There it was – the first concentration camp, forced labor camp, and killing camp.

Majdanek is exactly as it was then, even if the Communists built like 50 condos where today live hundreds of families as if the camp was not there.

But I, like you, saw the movies and read the books. But there are no words, no way to understand what happened here. When you stop and you look at the gas chambers you end up staring blankly at the shower heads like an idiot for minutes on end.

And your knees feel weak when you see the ovens, when you touch the very carts used by Jews to carry the bodies of those killed in the chambers to pour them in the ovens. They carried those carts on the walk paths made out of Jewish cemetery markers with the names facing up, so they would be forced to step on them.

Your mind goes blank when you stand in the middle of the barracks, built without windows so people will not see, will not know. In these barracks a thousand people shared two small coal heaters and a can for a restroom. You hear the steps of visitors on the stone floor and you imagine the screams, the crying, the shots, and you know you are looking at death – it is that simple.

It is just mind-boggling when you enter a barracks and they show you 800 pairs of shoes, thousands of scissors and spoons: all mute witnesses to the lives of those who are not here any longer. They even tell you that probably there were twice as many, but they were sold in the black market during the war. It is plain shocking when you go into a small room where they cut their hair – 7,500 kilos of which was sold to somebody by name Presman to make insulation for

the boots of Nazi soldiers going to the Eastern front.

And then you go out on the back, to a small yard, where a sign informs you that on the day the Russians were expected to arrive, 18,400 Jews were killed.

I, like you, saw all this on documentaries or read about it, but when you are there, when you touch it, everything starts anew.

It is painful to walk where there used to be 3.3 million Jews, many carrying our names, many of our same age, or that of our spouses or of our children, and in many cases that of our grandparents. Today there is nothing.

And while you are going through this, the past comes back to haunt you. Your personal experiences, your sense of

belonging, all those centuries of suffering and persecution catch up with you and you feel the need to reaffirm your commitment, the need not to give up, to continue on the same road of history.

I am in Europe, a Europe whose history is written in blood; I am participating in the most important world conference on Holocaust Education along with 300 academics, education ministers, foreign ministers, sociologists, ambassadors, intellectuals and researchers. More than half are not Jewish.

There is one inescapable conclusion and that is that the world, the common people, do not really know. Most governments are not teaching the lessons – and that which goes unsaid soon gets forgotten, making it far more likely to happen again.

Yehuda Bauer, the well known and respected Israeli professor says: "You shall not be a victim nor shall you be an executioner, but you shall not be a bystander either"

I just wanted to share my thoughts.

(Letter sent by Claudio Avruj, Executive Director of DAIA, the public affairs arm of the Argentinean Jewish Community)

We are proud partners in raising awareness about discrimination and promoting multiculturalism. This year's trip will be led by Kenneth Slepian and is slated for the fall. If you want more information, please feel free to call CKJF at (859) 268-0672. ✧

Ask JFS

Stacey Heisler

Ask JFS 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 c/o Jewish Family Services, 1050 Chimoe Road, Suite 203, Lexington, KY 40502. You can also call in your confidential questions at 269-8244 or email them to us at jfs@jewishlexington.org.

Is domestic violence a problem in the Jewish community?

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It is estimated that more than 20 percent of all women are abused regularly and that more than 30 percent have been abused by a partner in their lifetimes. Domestic violence occurs in all segments of society; it has no boundaries and affects all socioeconomic, cultural, and ethnic groups.

People often ask what constitutes domestic violence or abuse. This is a difficult question to answer, since individuals have different cultural standards. Domestic violence can involve a whole range of characteristics. Most people think of physical and sexual abuse, but those are not the only forms of abuse. Psychological or mental abuse often takes the form of negative verbal statements—a classic abuse of power. This could mean controlling a variety of aspects of life, including social and financial.

What does this mean for the Jewish Community? Contrary to popular opinion, experts now believe that domestic violence occurs in Jewish homes at about the same frequency as it does in non-Jewish homes. This means that we as a Jewish community need to take action and become more aware of this horrific problem.

According to Jewish Women International (JWI) there are priorities for action. The first step is public awareness campaigns to inform people of this problem at the local, national, and international levels. We as a community also need to increase the services available to Jewish men and women in need of assistance regarding domestic abuse. JWI also recommends that Jewish professionals teach those in the community how to handle these issues when someone confides in them. Research has shown that most individuals first turn to family and friends for guidance before seeking professional help.

In the light of JWI's findings, it is imperative that we become better educated about such issues. JFS would like to be part of this effort. If you would more information on how you can help, call JFS at (859) 269-8244 or email jfs@jewishlexington.org. ✧

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Around the Community

Refuah Shlema to...

- Ann Levenson
- Joe Engelberg
- Steve Goldstein
- Sandy (Mrs. Phil) Berger
- Steve Edelstein
- Rose Rita Wurmser

Condolences to...

John Michalman, whose father died on May 14 in Los Angeles. He was 87 and died at home.

Randall Roorda and Susan Cobin on the death of Randall's mother, **Pearl Roorda**, on June 5, 2005.

Jeffrey and Michael Kessler and their families on the death of their mother, **Ruth Kessler**, on June 15, 2005.

The **Baker Family** on the death of **Anita Roos Baker**, 82, who died June 22. A Lexington native, she was a lifetime member of Temple Adath Israel, having served as president of its Sisterhood, and most recently, as co-chair of the Temple's 100 Year Celebration. Anita was a member of the boards of numerous organizations both locally and nationally.

Anita and Harold were married for 59 years. They have four children and ten grandchildren.

The **Orlov family** on the death of their wife and mother, **Anna Orlov**, on June 25, 2005.

Austin and Susan Cantor on the death of Austin's stepmother, **Idah Lavin Cantor**, on July 6, 2005.

Larry and Janice Newman on the death of Larry's father, **Thurman**

Newman, on July 19, 2005. He was also the grandfather of **Angie Smith**.

Mazel Tov to...

Elisa Klein and Seth Noar on the birth of their son, **Jonah Louis Klein Noar**, born on July 27, 2005.

Aaron and beth Yelowitz on the birth of their son, **Wexler Harry**, on July 11, 2005.

Roy and Deanna Meckler on the birth of their granddaughter, **Lilian Augusta Tackett**, on March 14, 2005. The proud parents are **Jenna and Joe Tackett**.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Travis on the marriage of her son, **Gregg Edward Katz**, on Sunday, April 3, 2005 to **Shirley Lynn Cohen**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elie R. Cohen of Riverwoods, IL. The ceremony took place at the Renaissance Hotel in Northbrook, IL, with Rabbi Harry Danziger, cousin of the groom, officiating.

David and Marsha Rose and Dr. Harriett Rose on the birth of their granddaughter and great-granddaughter, **Lindsey Brooke Walter**, on May 10, 2005. The proud parents are **Nicki and Steve Walter**.

Annette Milch, who received a blue ribbon and rosette for best design in the novice category at the National Iris Convention. Her design was called **The Gateway Arch**. This was Annette's first attempt at flower design. On her second attempt she received a red ribbon for her design at the Louisville Iris Show. Her design was called **Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs**.

Share your family's events with your Federation family

We have decided to consolidate our various life-passage and milestone notices into one page, and to expand the content of those notices. But we can't do that without your input. So please send us information and photos about:

- Births
- Awards
- Illnesses
- Deaths
- Welcoming/Bris Ceremonies
- B'nai Mitzvah and Confirmations
- Graduations and higher degrees
- Engagements and Weddings
- Professional achievements and publications

You needn't write up the information in article form; just send us the facts and we'll take it from there. Please email your information to **Mary Rosenbaum** at DI-IFR@Bardstown.com, along with any digital photos (if you only have regular prints, you may mail them to or drop them off at the Federation office) or call **Mary** at (502) 549-5440.

Angie and Jonathan Smith on the birth of their son, **Hunter Aaron Smith**, born June 1, 2005. He is the grandson of **Larry and Janice Newman**.

Rabbi Michael Aaron Sommer, who was ordained on June 4 by the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Michael wishes to thank all of Temple Adath Israel for their love and support over the years that encouraged and helped him during his journey towards becoming a rabbi.

Jason and Beth Pitman on the birth of their daughter, **Mallory Elizabeth**, on June 16, 2005. The proud grandparents are **Don and Carol Schilling** and the great-grandparents are **Warren and Betty Rosenthal**.

Ari Rothschild, winner of the 12 and Under category in the Bluegrass 10,000 Race on July 4 with a finish time of 45 minutes 12 seconds. Ari's hometown is Highland Park, IL. He is the grandson of **Ted and Fran Friedman** and the son of **Greta Friedman**.

Rebecca Sharer for making the Dean's List at the Lexington Community College. Rebecca is the daughter of **Sharyn Sharer and Jack Sharer** and the granddaughter of **Ted and Fran Friedman**.

Oliver Leaman, the Zantker Professor of Judaic Studies, who has been appointed as the next director of the Judaic Studies Program at UK. Professor Leaman has an international reputation for his scholarly work (primarily) in medieval Jewish and Islamic philosophy. Says outgoing director **Daniel Frank**, "He knows our program well, and I have looked to him for assistance on innumerable occasions. I am confident that under Professor Leaman's directorship the Judaic Studies Program will grow and prosper."

Ruth Adams participated in a walk-a-thon on behalf of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Community Queries

We need your help. We're planning some stories for upcoming issues and need to identify members of the community from whom we can get information. So please email us at di-ifr@bardstown.com.

- you're a teacher, regardless of grade or institution;
- you have children living in Israel;
- your child who grew up in Lexington is doing something original and exciting and you'd like to share it with the community.

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity?

JFS and the Federal Medical Center are looking for volunteers to go to the prison once a month to help out.

There is a group of Jewish inmates that would like to meet once a week but they need someone there to help facilitate.

If you are interested in volunteering, please call **Stacey Heisler** at the JFS Office at 859-269-8244.

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L to R: Steve Rothschild, Greta Rothschild, Ari Rothschild, and Scott Rothschild

Rob and Lisa Kaplan Doctrow on the birth of their sons, **Jacob Aaron** and **Daniel Phillip**, on July 7, 2005. The proud grandparents are **Jan and Dave Doctrow, Shari and Ron Paler**, and **Stan Kaplan**.

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Torah study

Rabbi Kline conducts Torah Study in the TAI library, Saturdays at 9 a.m. on alternate weeks. He is joined by a congenial group that brings together members of TAI and others, who, following the ancient tradition of Judaism, love study and matters of the mind. If you enjoy wrestling with problems of life and faith, join this friendly group.

August schedule is 8/66 and 8/20

Kollel study group

Joe Engelberg leads this study of fundamental ideas of Jewish life and thought. Among these are spirituality, the nature of God, a critique of biblical and traditional injunctions and laws, Jewish history, principles of the Reform movement, and the relation of Judaism to Christianity, Islam, and Buddhism. The purpose of the Kollel group's study is not to assert these principles as eternal truths, nor to refute them, but to discover the wisdom there is in them and to expand upon them. Drop in any time and join in the provocative and friendly discussion.

August schedule is 8/13 and 8/27

Book discussion group

Open to all

The August book for discussion is by journalist Mark Halperin, *Ellis Island and Other Stories*. We'll meet in the Temple library on Wednesday, August 24 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Craft and kibbitz

We continue to look for people to join us for the handcrafters group. The times may change in order for more people to participate.

Contact Connie Grobstein if you would like to join this great group of people.

Tuesday Bridge Club

The Tuesday Bridge Group meets in the Temple library beginning at 11 a.m. Bring your lunch and play until 2 p.m. You don't have to be an expert to join. This group is going strong, so if you like to play bridge, here's your chance to join and socialize with fellow Temple members.

If you wish to join in, please check with other players or the Temple office each week to see if the group is playing.



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The Lexington Havurah, founded in 1978, is a diverse network of people dedicated to Jewish learning and renewal, community building and Tikkun Olam (repairing the world). It is affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the National Havurah Committee. Members plan, conduct and share responsibilities for all services. For more information, please call Gail Cohen, President, at (859) 272-1459.

Cohen re-elected president of the Lexington Havurah

Gail Cohen was re-elected president of the Lexington Havurah at the annual meeting of the Havurah on June 12, 2005. Gail is a past president of CKJF and of the Lexington Chapter of Hadassah. She is a former national vice-president of Hadassah. She recently retired from a research position at the Sanders-Brown Center on Aging at the University of Kentucky. Also elected at the annual meeting were: Judy Goldsmith, vice-president/bulletin editor; Kathy Grossman, secretary; Terry Wilson, treasurer; Larry Bitensky and Eve Podet, religious committee co-chairs; Rafi Finkel and David Wekstein, education committee Co-chairs; Bob Baumann, membership committee chair; Vivian and Harold Bitensky, social committee co-chairs.

Havdalah Under the Stars

Members of the Lexington Havurah enjoyed their annual "Havdalah Under the Stars" on Saturday evening, July 9, at the home of Judy and Stanley Saxe. The service was led by Harold and Larry Bitensky, a great father and son team. It was preceded by a delicious potluck supper provided by all Havurah members in attendance. Out-of-town guests included Elaine (Cohen) Silver; Steven Silver and their

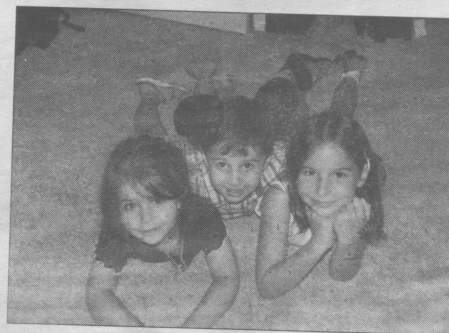
daughters, Robin and Melanie, of Deerfield, Illinois; Debra Wekstein and her sons, Sam and Jeremy Kravitz of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Shabbat Evening Service to be Held Friday, August 12

The Havurah will hold a Shabbat evening service on Friday, August 12, at the Lexington Theological Seminary. The service will begin at 8:00 p.m. and will be followed by an Oneg Shabbat. There will be a discussion relating to Tisha B'Av, which follows later that week.



Evelyn Geller holding Jeremy Kravitz.



Melanie Silver, Sam Kravitz, and Robin Silver enjoy the relaxed atmosphere.

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August will be anything but slow around OZS as we observe Tisha b'Av, start the new school year, and begin preparations for fall activities and the High Holy Days. We welcome back everyone from their summer activities.

Tisha b'Av Observance

Tisha b'Av, the Ninth of Av, a day of mourning commemorating the destruction of the First and Second temples in Jerusalem among other tragic events in Jewish history, begins Saturday evening, August 13 and continues through sundown on Sunday, August 14. Join us at OZS for a special Tisha b'Av service Saturday night at 9:10 p.m. We will daven the Evening Service and study the text of *Eicha* (Lamentations) in observance of this solemn holiday. See the Rabbi's Corner column in this issue of *Shalom* for more information about this special day of commemoration.

OZS Religious School News

The school year begins anew on with a special Teacher Orientation and Aide session on Sunday, August 21. The first day of Religious School for students will be Sunday, August 28 at 9:45 a.m. A special meeting for parents will begin at 10:00 a.m. with registration following. We have a wonderful staff returning for another meaningful year of learning and fun. For more information about Religious School registration and the school schedule contact Simone Salomon.

Senior Chai, our OZS and TAI Jewish study program for 11th and 12th graders, will begin anew this month. Now beginning its fifth year, Senior Chai offers our Jewish high school juniors and seniors the opportunity for monthly study and socializing in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Sessions are generally held once a month on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m., beginning with a light dinner followed by study. Our first meeting for the year

will be August 31. If you are interested in participating, or need more information, please contact Rabbi Cohen at OZS or Rabbi Kline at TAI.

New Adult Education classes planned for fall

"Modern Ethical and Social Issues from a Jewish Perspective," a new Adult Education class taught by Bennett Bayer and Rabbi Cohen, will examine some of the most pressing social and ethical dilemmas and issues facing us as Americans and as Jews. Possible topics include Abortion, Euthanasia (the Terri Schiavo case), Assisted Suicide, Cloning, Living Wills, Animal Rights, Stem-Cell Research, and Business Ethics. The class is currently being planned for Sunday evenings beginning in late August or September. On Monday evenings, following the evening minyan, Rabbi Uri Smith will be teaching a new Jewish texts class, "Humash with Rashi." The class will examine the Torah text as seen through the eyes of the great medieval commentator, Rashi. For more information on these new opportunities for learning call the OZS office.

Daily Minyan

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

Busy Shabbat at OZS

After a long period of experimentation and evaluation, beginning this month we will be shifting the times of our

Friday Evening Service to a more easy-to-remember schedule. Each Friday, beginning August 5, the service will begin at 5:45 p.m. (the same time as our daily minyan). On the LAST Friday of each month, the Friday Evening Service will begin at 7:30 p.m. with Oneg to follow. This once-a-month late service will generally include a special program (like Religious School Shabbat, or a Hanukkah Celebration) or a special Shabbat study session/speaker following the Oneg. The Stewart Home will be here for their monthly Shabbat at OZS on Friday, August 12. Join us for our spirited Shabbat Morning Service each Saturday morning at 9:45 a.m.; Kiddush lunch follows each week.

Welcome Back Shabbat

A special Welcome Back from the Summer Shabbat potluck dinner and service is being planned for Friday, August 26 at an "off campus" location. The evening will begin with dinner at 6:15 p.m. followed by the Kabbalat Shabbat service at 7:30 p.m. Call the office for more information.



THE LEXINGTON CHAPTER OF HADASSAH

President, Odette Kaplan

*Hadassah
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September 8, 2005*

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in your mail*

Center for Emergency Medicine

A horrific accident that occurred on June 21, 2005 between Tel-Aviv and Beersheba highlights the need for the new Center for Emergency Medicine (CEM) to the test.

A passenger train hit a truck loaded with coal ashes near the Kiryat Gat in the Northern Negev region in Israel. Two train cars derailed and were completely crushed. Eight people were killed and 115 injured – seventeen of them critically, and others moderately to lightly. Some of the victims were taken by helicopter and ambulance to the Hadassah Hospital at Ein Kerem in critical condition and to Mt. Scopus Hospital. Medical teams, nurses, and other staff rushed from their homes to the hospitals as evening descended upon Jerusalem. In all of the six-bed Trauma Units, medical teams raced against time trying to save lives. None of the injured had to wait for a vacant bed or for a doctor to examine them.

For the last five years Hadassah Medical Organization (HMO) has been involved in planning and constructing the most modern and sophisticated emergency care facility. The new CEM has been put to test.

Hadassah is showing it is at its best in taking care of people who need medical help, not only in wartime but also in any emergency. As Hadassah members we are very proud of this accomplishment.

Hadassah's annual donor campaign starts early this year

By Lynn Furness

In 2004-2005, the Lexington chapter of Hadassah had another exceptional year with its donor fundraising as it exceeded all its quotas from the national office. We hope to continue and to extend our success during the 2005-2006 Donor campaign under the leadership of co-chairs Lynn Furness and Carole Wilson. We expect to reach all new and continuing members and friends of Hadassah with the mailing in August or during the Phonathon in September. The campaign is earlier this year because of the lateness of the High Holidays. When you receive the mailing or the telephone call, please give as generously as you can to help Hadassah further its medical, educational, and social programs both in Israel and the U.S. Thank you in advance for supporting Hadassah and its important work.



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on the 2nd and 4th Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m. • Shabbat Services Saturday at 9:45 a.m.

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

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	Camp Shalom	• OZS Board Meeting • TAI Board Meeting • Camp Shalom	Camp Shalom	Camp Shalom	Camp Shalom	• Rosh Chodesh Av • Camp Shalom
31	August 1	2	3	4	5	6
• Camp Shalom • Community Night at Legends Game	Camp Shalom	• Camp Shalom • Chabad-Rabbi Litvin visits	• Camp Shalom • JFS Meeting 6:30 p.m. • Shalom Deadline	Camp Shalom	• Camp Shalom • Havurah Services	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Tisha B'Av				Noon-Timers Lunch (formerly Leisure Club) 12:00 noon at Cafe Jennifer		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			• CKJF Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. • CKJF Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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Rosh Chodesh Elul	Rosh Chodesh Elul	• OZS Board Meeting • TAI Board Meeting		Hadassah Opening Installation Meeting		Shalom Deadline
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Chabad-Rabbi Litvin visits	JFS Meeting 6:30 p.m.	Noon-Timers Lunch (formerly Leisure Club)		Bar/Bat - TAI
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