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Jewish Life on Campus



Ellen Steigman to Perform at UK on October 17

by Austin Cantor

The University of Kentucky Jewish Student Organization/Hillel Foundation, in cooperation with the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation and Stanley Rose Lodge #289 of B'nai B'rith, will be sponsoring a performance by comedienne Ellen Steigman. The performance will take place at the UK Student Center Theater at 8:00 p.m. on October 17, 1998.

Ellen Steigman's stand up comedy features unique insights into Jewish life. Her performances for audiences across the USA and Canada, including a variety of Jewish organizations, have been widely acclaimed. Her act will be greatly enjoyed by young and old.

Tickets will go on sale on October 1st (\$5 for students, \$8 for others). Please contact Austin Cantor (278-2530) or the CKJF office (268-0672) for tickets and more information.

We still need your help in getting us the names of Jewish students at UK and at all of the other colleges in the Central Kentucky area. If you know of any students, please contact Austin Cantor at 278-2530 (e-mail: acantor@ca.uky.edu). *

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MAZEL TOV TO:

Daniel Kesten on his completion of studies at NYU Law School. Daniel will join Brown, Todd & Heyburn as a tax attorney.

Sara Ellen Kesten on her engagement to **William J. Howell III**. They will be married on October 10th. The couple will reside in Lexington.

Amy Crystal on her award of a scholarship from the Democratic Women's Discussion Group. Amy was the candidate for the Democratic Women's Club of Kentucky Scholar. Amy is also the recipient of a Super America scholarship award. She was valedictorian of her senior class at Tates Creek High School. Amy is the daughter of **Dr. Ralph and Elayne Crystal**.

Lindsey Goldfarb who, as a member of the Lexington Futbol Club Soccer Team, won third place in the US Youth Soccer Midwest Regional Championship. Lindsey is the daughter of **Dr. Paul & Terry Goldfarb**.

Marty and Gayle Dorio on the engagement of their son, **Dr. Paul J. Dorio** to **Amanda M. Kirsh**.

Proud Parents **Karen and Ken Liebenau** on the birth of their daughter, **Leslie Vera**, born July 10, 6 lbs. 10 oz.

REFUAH SHLEMA:

Continued speedy recovery to **Leslie Gooldy**.



The President's Message

by
Evelyn Dantzig Geller

A MEANS TO AN END

For many years now I have gone along, volunteering for community, Jewish, and professional organizations, because I believed it was part of my obligation to those groups. I reasoned that if an association offered me the benefits of membership, I was, in some way, responsible for returning good for good.

Although I must admit that I am a "dues paying member" of several organizations, I still try to live by this belief. If my nurses organization lobbies for legislation to better health care in the state or nation, I can do no less than respond to their request that I follow up with a letter to my legislator. If the environmental group to which I belong pushes for measures to conserve our resources, I conclude that I am obliged to urge the board of the building in which I live to install recycling bins. If the Federation accepts a financial responsibility to the United Jewish Appeal, I feel duty bound not only to help pay that obligation, but also to talk with other members of the Jewish community of Central Kentucky about why we, that is the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, are required to make ongoing contributions toward payment of an ongoing debt.

I know I sound redundant. Every month I seem to say the same thing. But I truly believe that Jews are responsible for other Jews; that we are our siblings' keepers. I'm certain that most of you are familiar with the true story about the conditions laid down by the colonial governor of New Amsterdam before he would allow the first boat-load of Jews to arrive in this country to disembark. He had them sign an agreement that the Jews would never burden the civic authorities with the care of their sick, indigent, and elderly. That negotiation marked the start of Jewish charities in North America. For centuries we did care for our sick and our poor. Every major population center had a hospital that was clearly Jewish in origin and a Jewish community program for assisting those in need. Although there always were individuals and small groups who focused on assistance to Jews in Israel, the Arab nations, Europe, Asia, South America, and Africa - or to Jews with special needs, it is only within the past hundred years or so that concerted efforts to assist Jews internationally and nationally, as well as locally, have come to the fore. So it would appear that I am not alone in my belief that each Jew bears some responsibility for the survival of the entire Jewish people.

Today, Jews the world over are suffering. Jews in the nations that comprised the Former Soviet Union and in many other countries of eastern Europe are starving and freezing. The Joint Distribution Committee feeds them and gives them coats and blankets to help them withstand the cold. Jews in Ethiopia and

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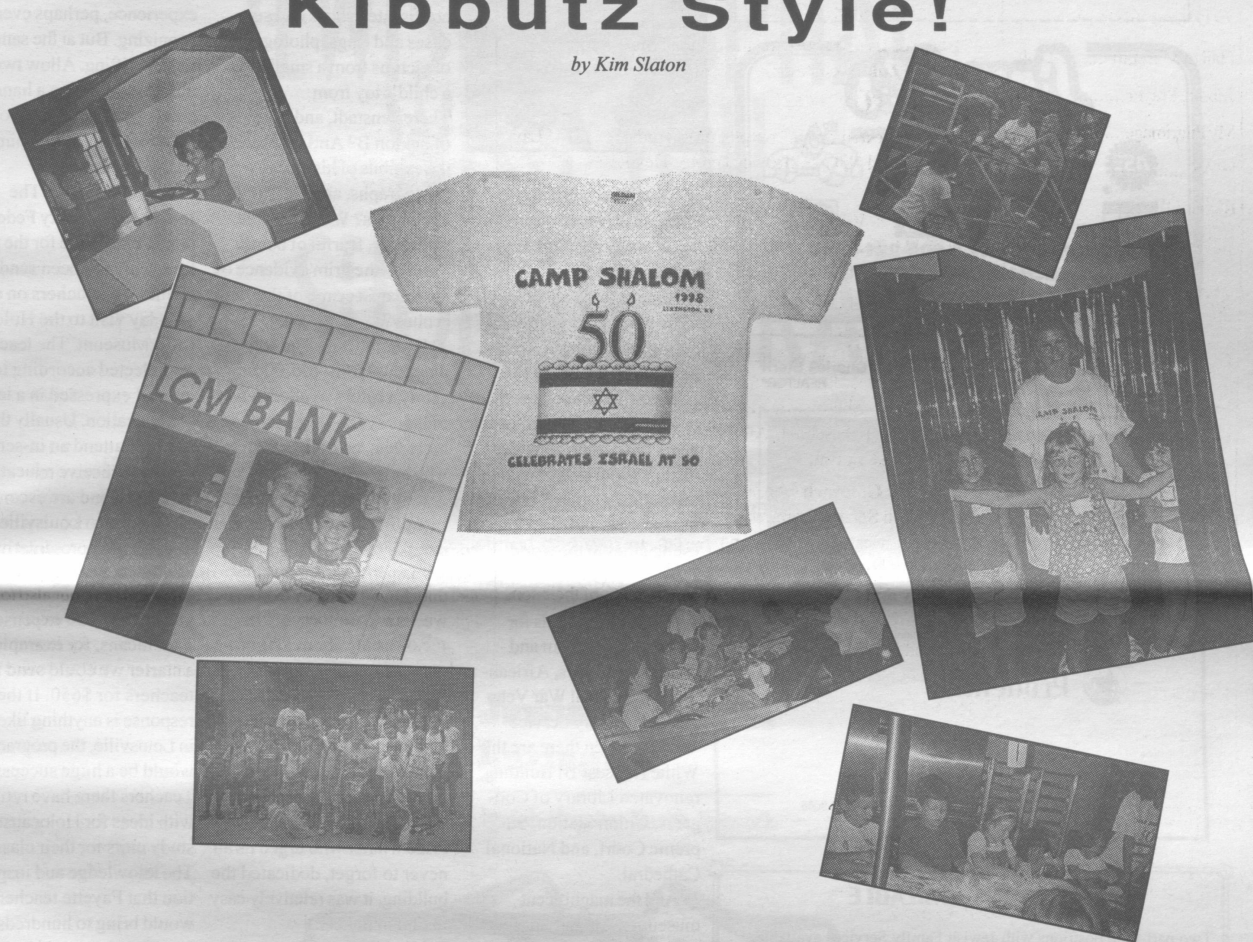
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Camp Shalom 1998 Celebrates Israel's 50th Birthday Kibbutz Style!

by Kim Slaton



Yes, it's true! Camp Shalom alef, bet, and gimmel Campers had their homemade passports stamped "Israel 98" and boarded the "El Al Plane" (a.k.a. yellow school bus). Destination? Israel!

Avi and Karen Bear hosted Camp Shalom on their farm in Cynthiana, KY. Once there, the campers got to experience what it might be like to live and work on a Kibbutz in Israel. The bet and gimmel groups (the older campers) collected eggs, fed the goats, chickens, sheep and horses. They also cleaned the barn and horse stalls. These chores would be expected of them if they lived on a Kibbutz. Meanwhile, what did the alef group (the younger campers) do? Play, of course! That's what they would be expected to do on a real Kibbutz! It was not "all work and no play" for the older campers. The afternoon was filled with games and prizes and a hayride for the entire camp. A special thank you to The Bear Family for providing such a memorable day, and sharing a little piece of Israel with Camp Shalom.

This year Camp Shalom mornings were spent at Temple Adath Israel.

After morning services, the campers couldn't wait for the exciting activities planned including: Israeli dance, arts & crafts, nature & gym, counselor-led activities, crazy sock day, pajama day, backwards day, and much more. After lunch, the campers boarded the bus and were off on their afternoon field trip. The trips this year included: bowling, painting pottery at the Mad Potter, games at Ecton Park, a visit to Wolf Run Wildlife Refuge, swimming at Lansdowne Pool, and the trip to the Kibbutz.

The Central Kentucky Jewish Federation would like to thank all the staff, campers, and parents for making this year the best year ever! CKJF also extends a sincere and heartfelt Toda Raba (Thank you) to Donna Sullivan, Camp Shalom Director. Her vision, commitment, and talent created an atmosphere where young minds and tender hearts experienced the joy and magic of being Jewish in Lexington, KY. May you and your family have good health and lots of Mazel in your new home in Cleveland, OH.

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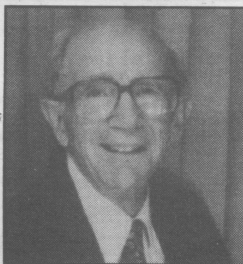
Jewish Family Life Education Coordinator: Applicant must be a dynamic, outgoing, "people person" who can represent Jewish Family Services to the public and to other organizations. Applicant also must know Jewish family life issues and have organizational and programming experience as well as public speaking and public relations skills. Baccalaureate degree required. Hours and salary negotiable.

For either position, send resume' to Chair, JFS Advisory Committee, c/o Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40502-2400.

FEATURE

HAIL TO THE HOLOCAUST MUSEUM

by Michael E. Adelstein



Summer's just about over, which means for many people that travels are at an end. Now it's time to think about going some place next year or during the holidays. A suggestion: Washington, D.C.

If you've never been there or if you haven't been for five years or so, then consider visiting (with kids or without) our nation's capitol, one of the loveliest and most interesting cities in the world.

There is so much to see and do. Let me list just a few sights: the memorials for Roosevelt, Vietnam and Korean War Vets, African-Americans Civil War Vets, and the Military Service Women. Then there are the White House, FBI Building, renovated Library of Congress, Union Station, Supreme Court, and National Cathedral.

And the magnificent museums: Air and Space, American History, Hirshhorn, National Portrait Gallery, National History, National Gallery, Phillips, and of special interest to Jews -- one of the most popular of all the Washington attractions -- the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

When it opened five years ago, no one knew how people would react to this graphic presentation of the horrors of the Holocaust. Would the stark, prison-like architecture repel people? Would they be interested in a boxcar used to transport Jews, prison camp uniforms and yellow stars, piles of

confiscated shoes and suitcases and rings, photographs of victims from a small town, a child's toy from Theresienstadt, and crystals of zyklon B? And what about the exhibits of historical photographs, artifacts, and documents? Would people stay away, fearful of being upset by the grim evidence of the greatest crime of the century?

Evidently not. The anticipated 500,000-700,000 yearly visitors swelled to two million a year, now totaling more than ten million people who have visited the museum since it opened.

At first, it was thought that most of the people would be Jewish. That may have been true during the opening weeks and months, but in recent years about 80 percent are non-Jews, 14 percent are foreigners, and 18 percent are repeats (I'm among them).

Five years ago when President Clinton and Elie Wiesel, the Nobel Peace Prize winner who urged us all never to forget, dedicated the building, it was relatively easy to obtain tickets.

Now they are almost as scarce as those for UK basketball games. The 1,650 timed admission tickets are usually gone by 10:30 a.m. And on certain days of the year, it is even more difficult to get in unless arrangements have been made in advance.

In April and May, for example, high school junior and senior trips flood Washington. Many of these students visit the Holocaust Museum, their teachers having made arrangements in advance.

So make your arrangements in advance. Be prepared for a sad and moving

experience, perhaps even agonizing. But at the same time, uplifting. Allow two to three hours. Bring a handkerchief or tissues. Like most of the attractions in Washington, admission is free.

I've a proposal. The Jewish Community Federation in Louisville for the past four years has been sending about forty teachers on a one-day visit to the Holocaust Museum. The teachers are selected according to interest expressed in a letter of application. Usually the teachers attend an in-service program, receive educational materials, and are escorted by one or two Louisville Federation representatives.

The cost to the Federation is nominal as the teachers pay half of the \$130 expense. That means, for example, as a starter we could send ten teachers for \$650. If the response is anything like that in Louisville, the program would be a huge success. Teachers there have returned with ideas for Holocaust study units for their classes. The knowledge and inspiration that Fayette teachers would bring to hundreds of our students would be priceless.

It should be noted that museums do more than exhibit, they educate. The U.S. Holocaust Museum stands as a magnificent memorial to the six million Jews and others who were murdered. Along with the story of Anne Frank and "Schindler's List," it reminds people that this sordid episode must never be forgotten.

A visit to the Museum is an experience that no Jewish person, indeed no person, should miss.

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Slone's Signature Markets and Jewish Hospital Lexington have teamed up to help you celebrate the New Year together. Come by the Lansdowne Slone's September 14 - 30 to pick up heart-healthy Kosher recipes and a catalogue containing Kosher items at Slone's. And, on Friday, September 18, we'll have a registered dietitian on hand from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. and from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. to help you with your holiday recipes.



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Program under the direction of a renowned Yiddish teacher includes playing Yiddish "Can You Top This" and speaking Yiddish with your "landsleit."

RSVP by September 14th
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Leisure Club Update

by Ruth Moser

Annette and I have been busy this summer planning, visiting meeting sites, talking, and getting ready. Here is what we have come up with for the rest of the year.

September 17 we will KVETCH & KVELL at Ohavey Zion. Don't worry if you don't speak Yiddish—we will have a renowned Yiddish teacher to help you. Call the CKJF office and let them know you are coming.

At the KVETCH & KVELL you can help dress the next batch of 24 dolls that are just about ready to be delivered to the UK Children's Hospital. This will make 54 dolls we will have delivered in 1998. For this we can all KVELL.

In October we will attend an Afternoon Tea at Norma Allweiss's home to raise money to continue the doll project. You won't have to travel to the Savoy in London for a fabulous Afternoon Tea, just drive over to Norma's. We promise you will have an afternoon to remember.

For November we will meet at the Campbell House for a buffet lunch in the hotel dining room. And December is our annual Chanukah party at Temple Adath Israel with a very special program.

Mark your calendars, phone in your RSVP's, and get ready for a good time, good food, and good friends. And be sure to bring your ideas for future events. Annette and I look forward to seeing you. And if we don't see you, Hoc Shema. *



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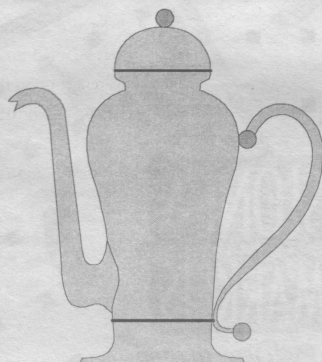
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Hadassah members and guests, and the CKJF Leisure Club members and guests are invited to an Afternoon Tea, proceeds to help fund the ongoing Hadassah/Leisure Club doll project for the University of Kentucky Medical Center's Children's Hospital.

If you cannot come, please consider sending a small donation made out to Hadassah (indicate "Doll Project") to:

Debbie Sogin (Treasurer)
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An Open Letter to the Jewish Community of Lexington

Come check out the smallest congregation in Lexington!

The Lexington Havurah would like to welcome you to our next service on Saturday evening September 12th, for Selichot.

The Havurah has regular egalitarian, creative and participatory services. Services are lead by members of the Havurah; everyone is invited to attend and participate in the services and to learn with us.

The Lexington Havurah has a 20-year history of innovative services, nonsexist language, education programs and celebrations. We have an exciting year planned, and hope you can be part of it.

For more information about services or membership, contact Judy Goldsmith at 269-07218 or by e-mail at goldsmit@cs.uky.edu, or Jeremy Popkin at 271-3187 or by e-mail at popkin@ukcc.uky.edu. *



LEXINGTON HAVURAH

Lexington Havurah High Holiday Services

Saturday, September 12th — 9:30 p.m.

Selichot Services and Conversation
at the home of Merle and David Wekstein

Monday, September 21st — 10 a.m.

Rosh Hashonah Morning Services
Lexington Public Library
Downtown, Lower Level Conference Room

Monday, September 21st — 5:30 p.m.

Tashlich Services
Call Jeremy Popkin for location

Tuesday, September 22nd — 10 a.m.

Rosh Hashonah Morning Services

Yom Kippur Services

Tuesday, September 29th — 8 p.m.
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Wednesday, September 30th — 10 a.m.

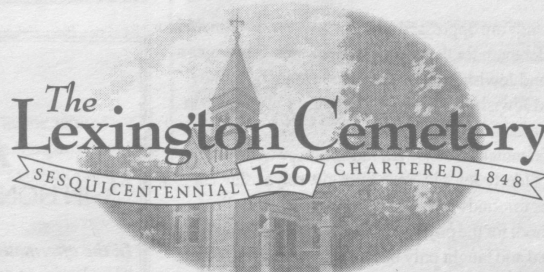
Yom Kippur Morning Services

Wednesday, September 30th — 6 p.m.

Mincha, Neilah and Break-the-fast

High Holiday services at the Lexington Havurah are egalitarian and peer-led. They are open to every one in the Central Kentucky Jewish Community. Our services reflect our affiliations with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the National Havurah Committee and the expertise and creativity of our members.

*For more information call Jeremy Popkin, 271-3187
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February 5, 1848

By act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, a non-profit corporation was chartered, authorizing the organization to establish a rural, or garden, cemetery. The corporation was required to provide for perpetual care of the grounds and the graves.

In its century and a half history, The Lexington Cemetery reflects the social and economic changes that have taken place in this city and county. Within its gates lie people of different political, economic and social standing, race and religion, all in equality in the majestic beauty of nature. Today, many of the same trees that stood in what was Boswell's Woods spread their lofty limbs to shade the headstones and monuments.

Some 60,000 memorials recognize the mothers, fathers, farmers, clergy, merchants, horsemen, bankers, lawyers and people from all walks of life who rest at peace. Due to the planning and stewardship of the trustees, management and workers there will be space available for the next 100 years for people who will have contributed to the growth and well-being of Lexington-Fayette County.

As we observe the sesquicentennial anniversary of the charter that enabled this community asset to exist, may each of us reflect upon the sacrifices and glories of those who have preceded us and rededicate ourselves to perpetually care for the natural beauty and serenity of the community memorial grounds.

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FEATURE

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other African lands are oppressed and fearful that others in their lands will murder them for their pitiful possessions. The government of Israel and Jewish groups, many sponsored by money from the United Jewish Appeal, come to their rescue. Jews in Argentina are among the "disappeared". UJA representatives try to ease the financial burdens their families face without a bread-winner. Elderly Jews in New York city rely on Jewish Family Services for funds with which to buy food. Israeli children in a school for the physically and mentally disadvantaged are housed and taught only because of money that comes from the Jewish Agency. The United Israel Appeal distributes grants to facilitate everything from education of the blind to protection of abused women and children. But the basic funding pool that pays for all of this relief accrues only upon payment of the debt each community owes the United Jewish Appeal. Only we Jews who contribute to the United Jewish Appeal can alleviate their suffering.

So, month after month, I come to you with the refrain that we need you and your help. We need you to make and meet your pledges of monetary support. Then we need you to consider increasing your pledge. We need you to volunteer for committees and projects - some of what we do is to help ourselves. We need you to actualize your concerns for all Jews. The end to which I alluded in the title of this article is the survival of our people. The means to that end is the contribution, financial and personal, each of us is willing to make. *

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We might try to do the same thing in Lexington on a more modest scale. The knowledge and inspiration that these teachers would bring to hundreds of students over the years would be worth much more than the money raised to send them.

A visit to the U.S. Holocaust Museum is an experience that no Jewish person, indeed no person, should miss. *



A JUBILEE PRAYER IN HONOR OF ISRAEL'S FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

In the aftermath of the Russian pogroms, who would have envisioned a Jewish State?
"The Jewish State is an imperative for the world; therefore it will surely be established."
(Theodor Herzl)

In the shadow of Auschwitz, who would have imagined Israel at 50?
"1948, a year of uniqueness and blessing, will shine always upon the life of everyone of us, and its light will blaze in Jewish history for ever and ever." (David Ben-Gurion)

Refugees and displaced persons, citizens from 70 lands, have all formed a bond to build this unique commonwealth.

"The Holy One said to Moses: The Land is beloved by Me and Israel is beloved by Me; therefore will I bring Israel, My beloved people, into the beloved Land." (Numbers Rabbah 23:7)

Israel, though a polyglot culture of Jews from all over the globe, is bound by a common purpose—the redemption of the Jewish people.

"All Jews are responsible for one another." (Talmud: Shevuot 39a)

How many lives have been lost to safeguard Israel's freedom? With deep sadness, we remember the soldiers and the citizens who gave their lives.

"No state is handed to a people on a silver platter." (Nathan Alterman)

In the heart of Israel lies Jerusalem, the spiritual capital of Judaism.

"If I forget you, O Jerusalem, may my right hand forget its strength! Let my tongue cling thickly to my palate, if I ever fail to keep you in my memory, if I ever fail to hold Jerusalem above my highest joy." (Psalm 137:5-6)

May we come to appreciate all that Israel offers us, in her twilight skies, in the rush of her waters, in her people's faces.

"Zion, the completion of all beauty, you still are bound up with your ancient love and grace: to you are bound the souls of all your friends." (Yehudah Halevi)

Our support for Israel must not be weakened nor must our love for the land be diminished.

"For Zion's sake I will not keep silent; for Jerusalem's sake I will speak out, until her right shines forth like the sunrise, her deliverance like a blazing torch." (Isaiah 62:1)

Amen.

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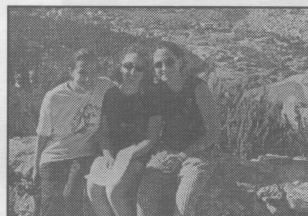


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FEATURE

My Pilgrimage

by Rachel Ezrine



Rachel Ezrine with Shanna Engel and Kim Hendler of Louisville's Keshet Kentucky program, overlooking Jerusalem.

My summer in Israel is an experience that I will never forget. I spent eight weeks in a country filled with history, culture, and magic, and I learned an unbelievable amount about Judaism and myself.

My first two weeks were spent with Keshet Kentucky, a program sponsored by the Federations of Lexington and Louisville. The group consisted of twenty-seven students, mostly rising seniors, from the two cities. We went into the trip not really knowing each other, but in two short weeks we became a closely-knit family. With Keshet we did the basic Israel tour. We went to the Old City, we floated in the Dead Sea, and we climbed Masada. While visiting these places, I didn't really think about the history behind them. I was too busy having fun with my new friends to let Israel impact me. The trip flew by, and before I knew it, twenty-four of the kids (two of the girls were staying with family members) were boarding an El Al flight back to the States, and I was beginning my next trip, a NFTY Safari.

With NFTY, we were forty-seven kids representing fourteen different states. At first, I thought that we would never blend together into one group, but before I knew it, Safari 3 was a family. We began in Jerusalem, and we went to all of the places where I had gone with Keshet. We went to an archaeological dig, we climbed the walls of the Old City, and we visited the Kotel. I didn't notice the change as it happened, but I was beginning to feel the magic of Israel. Many of the stories I heard brought tears to my eyes. It meant so much to me that people 2000 years ago were fighting for the land of Israel, and due to their struggle, Jews can live there today. While on

Masada for the second time in one summer, we went into the synagogue. We compared the Zealots' situation with Israel's current situation. The Zealots were surrounded on all sides by their enemy, the Romans, and Israel is surrounded on most sides by its enemies, Lebanon and Syria. The Zealots chose to fight the Romans instead of standing by idly while they took over, and Israel has chosen to fight when the land or future of the country has been threatened. For some reason, the discussion gave me the chills. As we sang the Shema in the ancient synagogue, tears ran down my cheeks. Now, anyone who knows me knows that it's not strange for me to cry, but these tears were different. I think that it was then that I felt like Israel was my home. I suddenly understood the reason behind every war that Israel has fought



Rachel by the Synagogue on Masada.

in, and I understood the importance of making peace with Palestinians.

Tamar, my educator, often said to us, "There are two different kinds of people who come to Israel, tourists and pilgrims. Tourists walk through the land, and pilgrims let the land walk through them." On our last night in Israel, we were asked to comment on whether we felt like tourists or pilgrims. I know that my trip was a pilgrimage, because at some point in the summer, I stopped walking through the land, and I began to let the land walk through me.

Not only did I learn a lot this summer, but now I want to learn more. I definitely want to return to Israel as soon as possible, and I want to study its history, culture, and language in college. My trip means more to me than I can express, and I hope that everyone can have the opportunity to visit Israel at some point. It is a very special place, and every Jew should be able to experience it first hand. *

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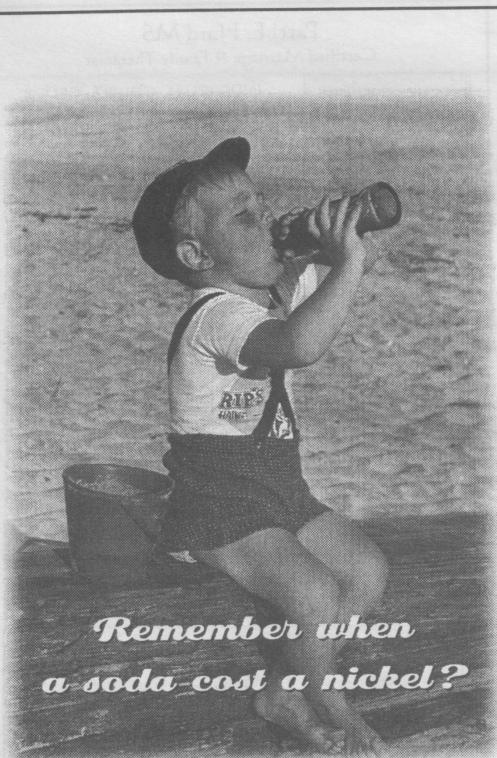
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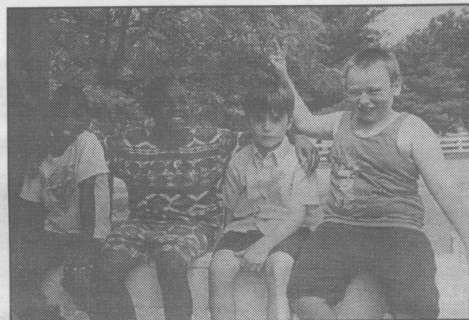
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COMMUNITY

Harrison Elementary School Mentoring Program Continues!



Once again, mentors from congregations O.Z.S. and T.A.I., as well as other community volunteers, will be providing friendship in weekly hour long sessions with the students at Harrison Elementary School. Harrison is an inner city school located behind the Opera House with a population of children in need of positive role models. Mentors are matched with one or two children for a weekly hour of reading, talking, socializing, arts and crafts, or working together on schoolwork provided by the teacher. This hour is arranged to take place during the school day to mutually suit the children's and the mentors' individual schedules. No special skills are required and no training is necessary, although ideas on how to structure the time is always available from previous mentors and the teachers.

Can you spare an hour per week to help these children? We will be starting up again in late September or early October and can use as many volunteers as possible. Please contact Cindy Derer, 266-0622 or Anne Graff, 264-9424, for more information or to volunteer.

The school Family Resource Center also provides donated clothing for the needy children at Harrison. If you can donate children's clothing, particularly sweatshirts and sweatpants, socks, sneakers, and underwear, please call Cindy Derer. Thanks! *

Jewish Singles To Meet In Memphis

The Spring of '99, April 23-26, Jewish Singles from over 30 states and Canada will have a fun-filled weekend in Memphis. Over 200 singles are expected to attend. Workshops are planned as well as Dinners, Dances, Mixers, and Tours.

The beautiful Adam's Mark Hotel will house the event, which commences on Friday afternoon and ends with a formal Dinner/Dance on Sunday evening.

This is the 6th Singles Weekend sponsored by the Memphis Jewish Family Service.

All Jewish Singles around the age of 30 and over are invited to attend.

The entire event, which includes all meals and local transportation, is less than \$300.00. Room rates are not included.

To obtain a brochure of the event, you can contact Jill Wilons or Bob Silver at (901) 767-8511 or write to Jewish Family Service, Singles Weekend, 6560 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, TN 38138 or Fax (901) 763-2348. *



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Express your views and opinions by sending your Letters to the Editor to: Editor/CKJF, 3440 Romany Road, Lexington, KY 40502.

Dear Editor:

This morning when I opened the *Shalom* I came upon this Feature article [Heart Over Head by Michael E. Adelstein]. I cannot tell you how good it is to have my thoughts put down so perfectly. I too have felt that to pay homage to Germany in any way by visiting there or buying their products would be like forgiving them the terrible wrong they did civilization during the Hitler regime.

I lost a grandfather, uncles, aunts and numerous cousins during that time and I cannot forgive or forget. I don't want to forgive and forget. I too have travelled all over Europe many times in the past thirty years but will not and cannot bring myself to visit Germany or Austria.

I know most of my friends say that this happened a long time ago, but I find that is no excuse and I feel that when I read in the paper that some group is wearing swastikas and marching into cities and towns to promote what they think is the right course I shudder to recall how we listened to Coughlin who spouted the Hitlerlike speeches on Sunday nights in the 30's. I also shudder to think that IT CAN HAPPEN AGAIN.

I don't and won't knowingly use a German product and truthfully I am not missing anything.
Ruth Kraman, Lexington

Unheard Voices

Kentucky State University, the Kentucky Association of Sexual Assault Programs, and the Frankfort Office of the Lexington Rape Crisis Center are proud to present a free public event entitled 'Unheard Voices.'

'Unheard Voices' is an interactive multimedia exhibit of handcrafted portrait castings of people who have experienced sexual assault. The casts are accompanied by viewer-activated audiotaped remarks of each person's experience.

This national touring exhibit comes to Central Kentucky via Project Face to Face located in San Francisco, CA, home of artist Jason Dille, who originated the castings. Kentucky State University's Carl M. Hill Student Center ballroom will serve as host for the twenty-four castings September 9, 10, and 11 from 9 am to 9 pm; September 12 10 am to 5 pm; and September 13 noon to 5 pm.

For more information about 'Unheard Voices,' please call Jennifer Hancock or Stephanie Perry at the Lexington Rape Crisis Center 253-2615. *

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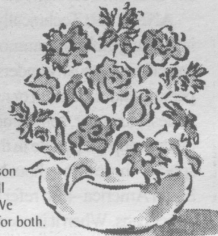
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FEATURE

HIAS Answers Your Questions

Each month *Shalom* will feature questions and answers on a variety of immigration-related issues for our new American citizens. These will provide updates on important changes in immigration and refugee law and will be printed in both English and Russian for your convenience.

"American Citizen" and "U.S. Citizen" Are Not Always Interchangeable Terms

13. QUESTION: Olga V. from Elizabeth, N.J., writes: "We are preparing a brochure for local new citizens. Someone in our community suggested that we use the term U.S. citizen on the cover rather than American citizen. Is there any difference between the two terms?"

ANSWER: Technically, the terms are not interchangeable. In common parlance, American citizen is usually understood to mean a person who is a citizen or national of the United States. However, sometimes we forget that other groups of people in the Western Hemisphere—those throughout North America and South America—also refer to themselves as Americans. When it is necessary to distinguish a citizen of the United States from citizens of the other Americas, then the term "U.S. citizen" should be used.

Standardized Citizenship Testing Program Will Soon End But Results Will Continue to Be Valid

16. QUESTION: Zhanna L. from Queens, N.Y., writes: "Your column of April 9, 1998, stated that the Standardized Citizenship Testing Program will end on August 30, 1998. I plan to take the test in early August, and, if I pass, to mail my N-400 Application for Naturalization to INS (Immigration and Naturalization Service) by September or October 1998. I know there is already a large backlog of citizenship applications, so my INS interview may not be scheduled until the end of 1999 or even later. Will my test score still be valid then even though the program will have ended?"

ANSWER: Yes, a passing test score will continue to be valid even after the standardized testing program ends at midnight on August 30, 1998, provided you submit your N-400 to INS within one year of passing the test.

As background information, the Standardized Citizenship Testing Program was established in 1991 to make the citizenship test less tense for applicants. For a fee of \$26, one can take the test before submitting an N-400 application to INS. The tests are given throughout the United States, usually at local community

centers, by five INS-approved organizations. The chief advantage of this optional testing program is that one can know whether he/she passed the English writing test and the test on U.S. history and government before mailing an N-400 application to INS. Furthermore, in case of failure, an applicant can take the test again, free of charge, as long as the test is taken before the program ends. Failing scores are not reported to INS. After passing the test, one can mail an N-400 application to INS. Later, at the required interview, the applicant avoids any further testing, except that he/she must be able to respond in English to basic questions regarding the information on the N-400. English language communication is waived for certain persons described in an Answer below.

The five testing organizations will be allowed to continue administering the test through and including August 30, 1998. The INS will honor test certificates indicating a testing date on or before this time.

Persons who wish to register for the standardized test may contact the New Citizens Project at their toll-free number: 1-800-358-6230, between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm Mountain Time (two hours earlier than Eastern Standard time).

No Time Limit on Validity of Standardized Citizenship Test Scores

17. QUESTION: Isaak P. from Metuchen, N.J. writes: "My neighbor took the standardized citizenship test in April 1996 and passed. In June 1996, he mailed his N-400 Application for Naturalization to the INS. After waiting nearly two years for an interview, he was finally scheduled in May 1998. However, the INS officer conducting the interview told my neighbor that the results of his test were "more than a year old" and therefore he would have to be retested. Is this so?"

ANSWER: No, the INS officer was in error here. INS regulations in Title 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations at Section 312.3 clearly state that an applicant who passes a standardized test and submits an N-400 to INS within one year of passing the standardized test has met the reading and writing requirements and the knowledge of U.S. history and civics requirements of naturalization. Therefore, the one-year expiration date applies on to the time within which one must submit an N-400 to INS after passing the test. Once the filing deadline is met, the test results are valid indefinitely. Let us say, for example, that a naturalization applicant passes the standardized test on May 1, 1998. The applicant then has one year—until April 30, 1999—to submit a complete N-400 to INS. Even if the INS interview takes place three years later, the results of the test do not expire, as long as the

applicant timely filed an N-400.

HIAS tip: If you or someone you know has taken the standardized citizenship test and is now waiting for an INS interview, we suggest that you be prepared and informed if an INS officer insists that the results of your test expired after one year. Ask for a supervisor and, in case you need it, have ready the referral to INS regulations given in the paragraph above.

When INS Can Reject the Results of a Standardized Citizenship Test

18. QUESTION: Svetlana R. from Brooklyn, N.Y. writes: "I passed the standardized citizenship test and timely mailed my N-400 application to INS. During my upcoming naturalization interview, does an INS officer have the right to spontaneously reject the results of my standardized test and to go ahead and give me another test?"

ANSWER: According to INS regulations at Title 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations at Section 312.3, an applicant who passes a standardized citizenship test can not be retested at the INS naturalization interview on his/her ability to read and write English or on knowledge of the history and form of government of the United States, unless the examining officer has reasonable cause to believe, and after verifying the applicant's test results with the testing facility, that the applicant's scores were obtained through fraud or misrepresentation. The regulations further state that the applicant's inability to speak English may not be the sole reason for finding that the test results were obtained through fraud or misrepresentation. Therefore, an officer cannot reject the test by whim or, for example, because he/she believes the standardized test was too easy.

However, when an INS officer suspects that the test results are fraudulent, the he/she must take these two actions:

- 1) Verify the applicant's test results with the testing facility; and
- 2) Make a written record of the determination and place the record with the applicant's file together with the response from the testing facility concerning the applicant's test.

We remind our readers that the standardized citizenship test covers most of the educational requirements for citizenship, but not all. The applicant must still be able to understand and speak basic everyday English. This ability is usually demonstrated by responding to questions of the INS officer as he/she reviews the four-page N-400. The English language requirement does not apply to persons who are at least 50 years old and have lived in the U.S. as lawful permanent residents for 20 years (the 50/20 rule) or who are at least 55 years old and have lived here as lawful permanent residents for 15 years (the 55/15 rule). Citizenship testing can be waived altogether for persons with certain disabilities.

FEATURE

ТЕРМИНЫ "АМЕРИКАНСКИЙ ГРАЖДАНИН" И "ГРАЖДАНИН США" НЕ ВСЕГДА ВЗАИМОЗАМЕНЯЕМЫ

13. ВОПРОС: Ольга В. из г. Элизабет (штат Нью Джерси) пишет: "Мы собираемся издать брошюру для новых американских граждан нашего района. Один из наших активистов предложил вынести на обложку слова "гражданин США", а не "американский гражданин". Есть ли различие между этими двумя терминами?"

ОТВЕТ: Строго говоря, эти термины не взаимозаменяемы. В быту, под словами "американский гражданин", мы обычно подразумеваем лицо, которое является гражданином или подданным США. Однако, при этом мы забываем, что граждане других стран, находящиеся в Западном полушарии, то есть в Северной и Южной Америках, тоже имеют полное право называть себя "американскими гражданами". В случае когда нужно подчеркнуть именно американское гражданство какого-либо лица или группы лиц и отделить их от других "американцев", надо пользоваться термином "гражданин США".

ПРОГРАММА СТАНДАРТНОГО ПИСЬМЕННОГО ЭКЗАМЕНА НА ГРАЖДАНСТВО СКОРО ЗАКАНЧИВАЕТСЯ, НО ЕЕ РЕЗУЛЬТАТЫ ПРОДОЛЖАЮТ ОСТАВАТЬСЯ В СИЛЕ

16. ВОПРОС: Жана Л. из Квинса, Нью-Йорк, пишет: "В Вашей публикации от 9 апреля 1998 года Вы указали, что программа стандартного письменного экзамена на гражданство заканчивается 30 августа 1998 года. Я хочу пройти этот экзамен в начале августа и, если я его выдержу, в сентябре или октябре отправить в СИН мою петицию о натурализации N-400. Я знаю, что там уже скопилось много нерассмотренных прошений о получении гражданства, поэтому мое интервью в СИН может быть назначено только через год, если не позже. Будет ли результат моего экзамена засчитан СИН, несмотря на то, что эта программа существовать уже не будет?"

ОТВЕТ: Да. Несмотря на то, что эта программа прекратит свое существование в полночь 30 августа 1998 года, результаты экзамена будут учитываться СИН, при условии, что Вы подадите в СИН петицию N-400 в течение года после сдачи экзамена.

Программа стандартного письменного экзамена на гражданство была создана в 1991 году для того, чтобы сдающие экзамен чувствовали себя более спокойно. Заплатив 26 долларов, можно сдать экзамен по английскому языку, истории и государственному устройству США до подачи петиции N-400 в СИН. Экзамены, которые проходят по всей Америке, обычно в местных общинных центрах, проводят пять одобренных СИН организаций. Главное преимущество этой экзаменационной программы заключается в том, что результат экзамена становится известен до отправления документов в СИН. Кроме того, в случае неудачи, можно бесплатно один раз пересдать экзамен. Перезаэкзаменовка должна пройти до того, как эта программа перестанет действовать. Неудачные результаты экзамена в СИН не сообщаются. После прохождения экзамена можно отсылать петицию N-400 в СИН. (Иногда заявители сначала подают форму N-400, а потом сдают письменный экзамен.) Позднее, во время обязательного собеседования, человека, сдавшего экзамен, уже не будут повторно экзаменовать, однако он должен показать, что владеет английским языком, отвечая на простые вопросы по его петиции N-400. Некоторые группы лиц освобождаются от проверки владения английским. Об этом мы расскажем ниже.

Пять проводящих экзамены организаций имеют право продолжать принимать экзамены до 30 августа включительно. СИН будет принимать экзаменационные сертификаты, в которых будет указано, что экзамен был сдан до 31 августа.

Примечание: К сожалению, так как до окончания разрешенного срока работы центров осталось немного времени, они прекратили высылать регистрационные формы тем, кто хотел бы сдавать экзамен впервые. Если вы уже сдавали экзамен, но попытка была неудачной и вам необходима перезаэкзаменовка, свяжитесь с той организацией, в которой вы регистрировались.

FEATURE

РЕЗУЛЬТАТЫ СТАНДАРТНОГО ПИСЬМЕННОГО ЭКЗАМЕНА НА ГРАЖДАНСТВО ДЕЙСТВИТЕЛЬНЫ НЕОГРАНИЧЕННОЕ ВРЕМЯ

17. ВОПРОС: Исаак П. из г. Метачен (штат Нью Джерси) пишет: "Мой сосед сдал стандартный письменный экзамен на гражданство в апреле 1996 года. В июне того же года он отправил петицию N-400 в СИН. Почти два года он ждал вызова на интервью и, наконец, оно ему было назначено на май 1998 года. Однако, сотрудник СИН, проводивший это интервью, сказал, что результаты его экзамена устарели, поскольку "он сдал экзамен более года назад" и теперь ему предстоит переекзаменовка. Правильно ли это?"

ОТВЕТ: Нет. В данном случае сотрудник СИН ошибся. Правила СИН, обозначенные в статье 8 Кода Федеральных правил в разделе 312.3 (Title 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations at Section 312.3) ясно указывают, что лицо, сдавшее стандартный письменный экзамен на гражданство и представившее в СИН петицию N-400 в течение одного года после сдачи этого экзамена, считается выполнившим требования, предъявляемые к заявителям: то есть в нужной мере умеет читать и писать по-английски и знает основы истории и государственного устройства США. Поэтому одногодичное ограничение относится только к необходимости подать в СИН прошение N-400 в течение года после сдачи экзамена. Если это требование выполнено, то результаты экзамена действительны неограниченное время. Давайте предположим, что соискатель гражданства успешно сдал стандартный письменный экзамен на гражданство 1 мая 1998 года. У него есть один год - до 30 апреля 1999 включительно, чтобы подать в СИН прошение N-400. Если он сделает это, то даже если интервью в СИН будет проходить через три года, результаты экзамена будут оставаться в силе.

Полезный совет ХИАСа: Если Вы более года назад сдали стандартный письменный экзамен на гражданство и теперь ожидаете собеседования в СИН, то мы советуем Вам быть готовым к тому, что сотрудник СИН может утверждать, что результат этого экзамена действителен только в течение одного года. В таком случае Вы должны попросить пригласить начальника данного сотрудника и быть готовым, в случае необходимости, сослаться на статьи правил СИН, которые мы привели в этом ответе.

В КАКИХ СЛУЧАЯХ СИН МОЖЕТ ОТКЛОНИТЬ РЕЗУЛЬТАТ СТАНДАРТНОГО ПИСЬМЕННОГО ЭКЗАМЕНА НА ГРАЖДАНСТВО

18. ВОПРОС: Светлана Р. из Бруклина, Нью-Йорк пишет: "Я сдала стандартный письменный экзамен на гражданство и вовремя отправила петицию N-400 в СИН. Имеет ли право сотрудник СИН, который будет проводить со мной интервью, самовольно отклонить результат этого экзамена и заново проэкзаменовывать меня?"

ОТВЕТ: Правила СИН, обозначенные в статье 8 Кода Федеральных правил в разделе 312.3 (Title 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations at Section 312.3) гласят, что, во время интервью в СИН, лицо, сдавшее стандартный письменный экзамен на гражданство, не должно повторно доказывать, что в нужной мере умеет читать и писать по-английски и знает основы истории и государственного устройства США. Однако, это правило действительно только в том случае, если сотрудник СИН не имеет веских оснований (после проверки результатов экзамена, в той организации, где он проводился) предположить, что данные результаты получены в результате обмана или ошибки. В Правилах далее указывается, что одна лишь неспособность заявителя говорить по-английски не может служить основанием для утверждения, что результаты экзамена получены соискателем обманным или ошибочным путем. Поэтому сотрудник СИН не может просто по своей прихоти отклонить результат Вашего экзамена или, к примеру, потому, что считает, что стандартный письменный экзамен бы слишком легким.

Если у сотрудника СИН есть основания предполагать, что результаты экзамена были получены нечестным путем, он должен:

1. Получить подтверждение результатов экзамена от той организации, где он проводился;
2. Составить письменный протокол об установленных фактах и приложить его и ответ, полученный из организации, проводившей экзамен, к личному делу заявителя.

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FEATURE

In interesting times

United Jewish Appeal chairman Richard Wexler is trying to make it easier for people to be Jews

By Gene Koprofski
reprinted from the *Chicago Tribune*

Richard Wexler has met with Natan Scharansky, Menachem Begin, Benjamin Netanyahu and other famous Israeli figures. But the Highland Park resident's most poignant memory of Israel was of his first visit there back in October 1975.

He went to the town of Safed for a memorial service for three Jewish children who had been slain by terrorists in Galilee. Moved by the moment, he and other volunteers began to break down. Then another man, the bus driver for the trip, touched Wexler's shoulder, trying to console him, and in Yiddish said: "Shvertzu zein a Yid," literally, "It's hard to be a Jew."

That moment changed Wexler. "I was pretty shaken up by it," he said. "So I dedicated a portion of my life to making it easier for people to be Jewish."

Today, more than 22 years later, Wexler, 56, is the national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, an umbrella organization for 189 Jewish federations and non-federated communities. He leaves the two-year appointed term in May but will remain in the senior leadership of the organization.

In its many years as a volunteer, he has helped black Jews from Ethiopia settle in Israel, got dissidents out of the then-Soviet Union and raised \$780 million in funds for hospitals and social service agencies. He travels to Israel almost every month as part of his volunteer work and also to

celebrate events, such as the 50th anniversary of the creation of the Jewish state.

Recently, he was named by *The Forward*, the national Jewish newspaper, as one of the most influential American Jewish leaders.

"The work is filled with emotion and the sweetness of being able to share with those who have so little," Wexler said. "It's been a blessing that has been bestowed on me. But it is also a curse in the Chinese sense of the word. You know the phrase, 'May you live in interesting times.' The last two years have been very interesting."

Indeed, the Middle East peace process is unraveling, and schisms have developed between American Jews and Israel over concerns about religious pluralism.

"These are very complicated topics," Wexler said. "But they have caused us to remind our donors that the funds we raise go to meet Jewish needs, not to support a government or government policies in Israel. We try to be the one place in Jewish life where Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist and Orthodox Jews can come together, no matter what their differences, and express concern for the most needy."

A graduate of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and the John Marshall Law School in Chicago, Wexler grew up in Chicago and moved to Highland Park 30 years ago. His wife of 35 years, Roberta, is a preschool director in Highland Park.

"At the time we moved there—and this was a long time ago—the housing prices were

reasonable," joked Wexler of the move to Lake County.

"Highland Park was a great place to raise our kids, and continues to be."

The Wexlers have three grown children who live in various parts of the U.S.: Deborah Sokobin, 35; Joshua, 31; and Jon, 26.

Wexler's odyssey into international affairs has taken many turns since that day 22 years ago in Galilee. He credits another Highland Park resident, Arthur Brown, who died recently, with getting him involved in the Jewish Federation/Jewish United Fund of Metropolitan Chicago, after Wexler's return from Israel. By 1985, he was president of that organization, which is the local affiliate of the UJA.

But don't think these have been simple paper-pushing executive positions.

As part of his efforts, he has traveled to Moscow and escaped pursuit of KGB agents while trying to work with Jewish dissidents in the then-Soviet Union. He also has helped airlift immigrants out of Uzbekistan to Jerusalem and done volunteer work in Cuba, Latvia and Ukraine.

"I've seen the Jewish world in places where few people know it exists," Wexler said. "For example, there was a Jewish community in Cuba before Castro. In fact, many of the emigres after the revolution were Jewish."

In addition to that volunteer work, he has consulted with the White House during the Reagan, Bush and Clinton administrations on Israeli policy matters. He also has published opinion pieces in the Jewish press as well as in

major newspapers across the country.

Wexler's volunteer efforts seem all the more extraordinary when one considers that he maintains a full-time career as a real estate lawyer with the Chicago firm of Lord Bissell & Brook.

Michael Davis, a law partner who has known Wexler for seven years, has had a chance to see him in action. "Richard is tireless," Davis said. "He is an energetic performer when he serves his clients, and then he dedicates another full-time workload serving the UJA, as he has for several years. It's a level of dedication that I find just astounding. It is a level of effort that very few people can give."

The two see each other socially on occasion, and Davis commented that Wexler is "a great companion and a great partner, in addition to what he gives to the Jewish community and the world. He is wickedly dry in his sense of humor. He is very witty and intelligent." Wexler uses his sly humor to defuse tense situations, Davis added.

But sometimes the stresses of the effort, as well as travel, work and family life, weigh on Wexler, and he often feels like he is living in two worlds, one in the Midwest and the other in the Middle East.

"It's really affected my ability to function," he said only half-jokingly of the frequent 14-hour flights overseas. "There have been times when I have awakened at my home in Highland Park . . . and I have turned in the wrong direction, looking for the bathroom, thinking I was in a hotel room."

The stress of having her husband gone for long stretches overseas is sometimes difficult for Roberta, director of the Ravinia Nursery School in Highland Park, but it "really hasn't been hard. It is unusual when someone has an absolute passion. Richard is such a curious person and knowledgeable about Jewish history, and all of that gets him excited, which is nice. He knows that even if I am not with him when he travels, . . . I am supportive. I'm always going to be there when he gets back."

But she has accompanied him at times. She was with him on that fateful trip to Israel back in the 1970s, and she went to the Soviet Union with him for one trip.

During the Soviet trip, in 1986, Roberta remembers that there was "lots of intrigue because we were trying to blend in and not be recognized, not only as foreigners but as Jews, because that was in the days of the refuseniks [Jewish dissidents]. But Jews can always find other Jews."

Roberta said she was searched by Soviet authorities, who were looking to see if she was smuggling gold into the country to bolster the finances of Jewish dissidents. She was not but spent about an hour in a closed room with interrogators. "They took me into another room and had a metal detector," she said. "I don't know if they spoke English. But I told them that all I had was my watch, my ring and my earrings. It took a while to convince them. But it didn't frighten us. We were prepared and knew what to expect."

This sense of preparedness, *Wexler continued on page 18*

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of planning for contingencies, even a search by the KGB, is what keeps Roberta calm whenever Wexler ventures overseas as part of his volunteer work.

Steven B. Nasatir, president of the Jewish Federation/United Jewish Fund of Metropolitan Chicago, recalled a trip he took with Wexler to the Soviet Union, where they met refuseniks in dark hallways and subway stops.

"Richard and I, we go back some time," Nasatir said. "We went to the Soviet Union during the very dark days and smuggled in Jewish books and met with refuseniks and had the KGB follow us wherever we went. But that gives you some insight into the kind of individual Richard is -- someone, as a volunteer, who really puts it on the line all the time in terms of things in which he believes. He doesn't have to do this at all. He is a successful and able attorney, but that's how he finds the time for these efforts. He's energetic, bright and extremely passionate about Jewish causes."

Bernie Masevitz, CEO of the United Jewish Appeal Inc. in New York, said Wexler is not a solemn, serious figure, though he does perform important work. He has a sense of humor that he shares, even during the most stressful times. "I feel like such an idiot saying this, because it is all so bloody pleasant, but it has been tremendously positive and rewarding working with him," Masevitz said.

"He's incredibly intelligent. He is committed to the campaign. He's also charismatic. He's also sardonically and sarcastically and biting humor... That kind of humor is not only disarming but tends to bring everything back down to a human level."

Wexler's impassioned concerns with Jewish identity, with reuniting those of Jewish origin, has a long history in modern Judaism, said Kenneth Jacobson, the Washington D.C.-based author of "Embattled Selves: An Investigation into the Nature of Identity Through Oral Histories of Holocaust Survivors" (Atlantic Monthly Press, \$24). "This is a never-ending fight," Jacobson said of the identity issue, which gained momentum after World War II. "If someone wants to identify themselves as a Jew, there should be room for them. Wexler's work is part of a humane tradition."

As for Wexler's volunteer goals for this year, he is trying to increase the number of volunteer donors to UJA from 800,000 to 1 million and increase donations to \$1 billion from \$780 million. The organization also is raising funds for special democracy projects in Israel. "We have a lot going on," Wexler said.

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- Is in need: applicants should declare themselves to be in need on the application form

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Any eligible individual in the United States wishing to apply must submit an application so that it is received by the Application Processing Center prior to November 30, 1998. Applications must be requested from the Application Processing Center by November 17, 1998.

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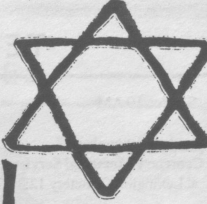
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Worship Announcements

SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday, September 4

Shabbat Ki Tetze

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6 PM

Ki Tetze - Deut. 21:10-25:19

NO Child Care Available

Saturday, September 5

Kollel Study Group 9:30 AM

Friday, September 11

Shabbat Ki Tavo

Service 7:30 PM

Child Care Available

Saturday, September 12

Torah Study 9:30 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Ki Tavo - Deut. 26:1-29:8

Selichot (see notice on page 11)

Program 9 PM

Service 10 PM

Friday, September 18

Shabbat Nitzavim

Tot Shabbat 6 PM

Temple Pot Luck 6:30 PM

Service 7:30 PM

Child Care Available

Saturday, September 19

Kollel Study Group 9:30 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Nitzavim - Deut. 29:9-30:20

Friday, September 2

Shabbat Shuvah

Service 7:30 PM

50+ Years Wedding Anniversary

Blessings

Child Care Available

Saturday, September 26

Torah Study 9:30 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Vayeilech - Deut. 31:1-30

Sunday, September 27

Cemetery Memorial Service

12:30 PM at Lexington Cemetery

HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 20

Erev Rosh HaShana

Early Service 7 PM

child care for 8 years

and under

Late Service 9 PM

Monday, September 21

Rosh HaShana

Family Service 8:45 AM

child care for 8 years

and under

Late Service 10:30 AM

child care for 8 years

and under

Tashlich Service and

Family Picnic 4 PM

Jacobson Park, Shelter #1

Tuesday, September 22

2nd Day of Rosh HaShana

Service 10 AM

Sunday, September 27

Cemetery Memorial Service

at Lexington Cemetery 12:30 PM

Tuesday, September 29

Kol Nidre

Early Service 6:45 PM

child care for 5 years

and under

Late Service 9:15 PM

Wednesday, September 30

Yom Kippur

Family Service 8:45 AM

child care for 8 years

and under

Late Service 10:30 AM

child care for 8 years

and under

Afternoon Service 3 PM

child care for 8 years and under

Yizkor & Neilah Service 4:30 PM

child care for 8 years

and under

Break-the-Fast immediately

following services

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, September 1, 7:30 PM

Program Committee Meetings

Tuesday, September 8, 7:30 PM

Sisterhood Board Meeting

Monday, September 14, 7:30 PM

Infrastructure Committee

Meetings

Thursday, September 17, 7:30 PM

BULLETIN DEADLINES

The next Bulletin deadline

is September 8th

For the October issue.

FROM THE PROGRAM COOR-

DINATOR - TONI REISS

Israeli Folk Dancing

Continues

Israeli Folk Dancing following

Shabbat Services continues for the

second year. So put on your

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Fridays:

September 18, October 16,

November 20 & December 18

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at any level of play. The lessons will be offered on Mondays at 11 AM as well as on Wednesdays at 7 PM. You can sign up for either of those time slots for the series of five lessons.

The dates of the lessons are: **Wednesdays**

7 PM - October 7, 14, 21, 28 & Nov. 4

Mondays 11 AM - October 25, Nov. 2, 9, 16 & 23

After the lessons, there will be time set aside for play.

Registration with the Temple office is required for the bridge lessons. There will be a \$5.00 fee for the series of five lessons. Call the Temple office at 269-2979 to sign up for the classes, and plan to come and have fun!

Recruitment Continues For Volleyball Team

The TAI volleyball team is in need of a few more players

to be able to field a team and have some substitutes. If you

are interested, please call the Temple office at 269-2979 to

sign up. Play will be for the fall/winter season in

Lexington's Parks and Rec. league.

Shabbat Dinner To Welcome

Area College Students

On September 11, at 6 PM, the College Committee will

host a dinner to welcome area college students. We hope to

introduce the students to our facility and congregation,

perhaps helping them to feel more comfortable about

attending services and/or participating in our programs.

Please help make the students' visit enjoyable by showing

them the friendliness and warmth that our congregation is

capable of extending to newcomers.

FROM THE YOUTH EDUCATION DIRECTOR -

MARSHA MATTHEWS

I am honored to be your new Youth Education Director.

I have a renewed commitment to improving the educational

environment for our children. Rabbi Adland, the Youth

Education Committee, the wonderful teachers and I have

been busy planning various activities and reviewing the

current curriculum. Many innovative ideas have been

discussed, and we welcome participation from all parents. I

will use this space in the Bulletin each month to provide

updates on our activities, but please do not hesitate to call

me with your ideas, questions or interest in working with

us as we move forward.

Parent-Teacher Curriculum

Task Force Now Forming

We are in the initial stages of forming a parent-teacher

task force to enhance our religious school curriculum. We

will inform you of our progress. We feel that this is an

exciting opportunity for all of us. However, to truly

implement the program, it is essential to have parents

actively involved. We can make a difference and have

religious school be a fun, learning experience. I encourage

your input, positive or negative. Please contact Sandee at

the Temple at 269-2979, or me at 263-9606, if you are

interested in serving on the curriculum task force or

participating in the religious school in any way.

Teachers And Substitutes Needed

We are in need of teachers for our senior block program

and substitutes for religious school. If you are interested,

please contact the Temple office or Marsha Matthews to

volunteer.

Arts and Crafts - Laura Goodman

Hi, I would like to introduce myself as the new Arts &

Crafts teacher. I have recently moved here to Lexington

after graduating from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

I am originally from Cleveland, OH. I will be the new Arts &

Crafts teacher at Temple starting this month. Your children

(ages 4 to 13) will be joining me to learn about Judaism

through art. Below is a list of materials that families can

help me gather. It would be greatly appreciated if you can

donate any of the following items:

Shoe boxes String
Rubber bands Newspapers
Marbles Sponges Metal
trays Feathers
Cans Egg crates
Noodles with holes
Disposable plastic cups
Plastic containers (e.g. cottage
cheese cartons)
Colorful ceramics (for mosaic
project, e.g. old plates)

You can bring in any of the items listed (in any shape or form) or any other craft materials you have lying around the house.

Please drop off any items to the

Temple office and inform them that

the materials are for Arts & Crafts.

I am always open to suggestions,

ideas, and comments so if you

have an idea for a project do not

hesitate to contact me. I want this

to be a fun, creative and exciting

experience. If there is any way I

can accommodate your needs,

please let me know. I'm looking

forward to meeting everyone, and I

thank you in advance for your

help.

Laura Goodman, Art & Crafts

teacher, 272-6885

TEMPLE TOT PROGRAM

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 27

The TAI Temple Tot Program is a

special once-a-month class for

children born between October 1,

1994 and September 30, 1996, and

their parents. The class is taught by

Sandy Adland. If you have not

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you are interested in registering

yourself and your child, please

contact the Temple office immediately.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER

13 9:45 AM

HEBREW SCHOOL BEGINS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14,

4:30 PM

ATTENTION PARENTS OF

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Parents, please call the Temple

office at 269-2979, mail in the form

below, or e-mail Rabbi Adland at

JADLAND@aol.com with your

college student's current address

so they won't miss out on our

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E-mail addresses are also

desired, so be sure to include that

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SISTERHOOD NEWS

Changes In Nearly New

Sisterhood has been connected with the Nearly New Shop for over 30 years. Sisterhood has received extra money through the items donated to the store and then sold on our behalf. Unfortunately, the store is now closed, thus ending our source of extra income.

Elayne Crystal is willing to continue trying to earn money for Sisterhood (and ultimately all of TAI members). There are a number of consignment stores in the city that accept good, used clothing and give us 50% of the price sold. Please bring items on hangers or neatly folded and leave them in the corner of the coat room that has been designated for Nearly New, then Elayne will take them to these stores and any money earned will go directly to Sisterhood. If you are in doubt as to whether or not the items are stylish and good enough to be accepted, donate them and let the store decide. All unacceptable clothing will be donated to Goodwill Industries. If you have any questions about this new adventure, call Elayne Crystal at 273-6680.

Blood Donors for April, May & June

Sisterhood is grateful for the following people who continue to support the Sisterhood Blood Bank. Without the donations of others many would be in need with no hope for help. Thanks to these people. Many will benefit from their kindness and generosity. WE APPLAUD YOU!!!

Ben Baker	Starr Gantz	Martha Pearson
Alan Bernard	Jason Goldfarb	Alicia Rose
Joe Brill	Gary Hoover	Cheri Rose Austin
Carlor	Deborah Isenstadt	Mark Scarr
Susan Cantor	Cindy Kahn	Bobbi Shain
Alison Courant	Roy Meckler	David Sogin
Bruce Engel	Ira Mersack	Bennett Stein
Mary Engel	Samye Miller	Irene Stoess
Cindy Ellsworth	Janet Taff	Marty Friedman

PLEASE NOTE:

SISTERHOOD DUES ARE NOW \$30

Help Needed for Break-the-Fast

Due to the large number of people attending the Break-the-fast, the Sisterhood needs help from several people to help this event go smoothly and to make it a special event for all attending.

Help needed to cook on Sundays September 13 & 20 from 9 AM - 12 PM.

Help needed to set up tables and set tables for the meal on Tuesday, September 29 at 10 AM.

Call the Temple office at 269-2979 to sign up and help make this event a special one for all.

TAI Sisterhood Opening Luncheon

September 16, 1998, 12:30 PM

Margaret Kannensohn, Fayette County Attorney will speak as a survivor of cancer

The cost will be \$10 for a catered luncheon.

RSVP to the Temple office by September 14th.

Childcare is available upon request.

BASIC JUDAISM MONDAYS 8:05-9:00 PM

Cost: Members - individual \$45
couple \$70
Non-members - individual \$55
couple \$75
(cost covers books and materials,
couples may share books)



Basic Judaism introduces the student to a slice of the Jewish experience. The course will survey Jewish values, holidays, life-cycle celebrations, worship, Jewish ideas of God, and the long road of Jewish history. This course is designed to refresh the Jewish memory of the religious school graduate, teach those with no knowledge of Judaism, and encourage further Jewish study by everyone.

This course is a survey course. The remaining programs on the Adult Jewish Growth calendar are a supplement to what is taught in Basic Judaism.

Class dates are:

September 14, 28;
October 19, 26;
November 9, 16, 23, 30;
December 7, 14

To register for either or both of these courses contact the Temple office at 269-2979.

INTRODUCTION TO HEBREW MONDAYS 7:00-7:55 PM

Cost: Members \$50
Non-members \$65
(cost covers books and materials)

Many Jews desire to add depth to their Jewish soul, and substance to their Jewish knowledge. Introduction to Hebrew can be an important step in fulfilling this aspiration. This course teaches the Alef-Bet, beginning reading, and introduces the student to Biblical and prayer book Hebrew. No prior knowledge of Hebrew is required.

The goal of this course is to bring the non-Hebrew reader into the world of the Hebrew reader. At the end of this course, a graduate will be able to follow the Hebrew readings at services and, with a little practice, begin reading with the congregation.

Class dates are:

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SPECIAL SHABBAT SHUVAH BLESSINGS TO THOSE MARRIED 50 YEARS AND LONGER



Continuing a custom started several years ago, those TAI couples celebrating marriages of 50 years and longer are invited to receive a special blessing on Shabbat Shuvah. This year Shabbat Shuvah is Friday, September 25th. Everyone is encouraged to attend this special service and celebrate with these couples. Those married 50 years and longer are:

Joe & Louise Wile	2/16/32
Raymond & Edna Miller	2/3/35
Matthew & Ruth Barrett	8/15/37
David & Helen Glixon	2/15/38
David & Vivian Weil	3/12/40
Lenny & Marjie Lerner	8/20/40
Robert & Sylvia Cohen	9/26/42
Jack & Frances Goldenberg	3/9/43
Elliot & Rena Marcus	10/21/43
Saul & Audrey Rubin	1/28/45
Warren & Betty Rosenthal	8/31/45
Harold & Anita Baker	2/3/46
Arnold & Harriet Fields	4/7/46
Irvin & Sybil Stern	7/14/46
Jim & Ann Levenson	10/6/46
Bill & Fran Bloom	12/29/46
Ken & Jane Hart	5/12/47
Gene & Barbara Straus	6/14/47
Jerry & Rose Rita Wumser	6/18/47
Mark & Dorothy Halleck	8/10/47
Robert & Alice Mickler	11/2/47

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HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES

1998- 5759



SLICHOT

Sept. 12, Saturday
Slichot 11:30 pm

ROSH HASHANA

Sept. 20, Sunday
Mincha 7:15 pm
Maariv **FIRST DAY** 7:45 pm

Sept. 21, Monday
Shacharit 8:45 am
Youth (6-10 years) 10:00 am
Children (3-5 years) 10:30 am
Tasblich 1:00 pm

Mincha 7:15 pm
Maariv **SECOND DAY** 7:45 pm

Sept. 22, Tuesday
Shacharit 8:45 am
Youth (6-10 years) 10:00 am
Children (3-5 years) 10:30 am
Mincha 7:15 pm

FAST OF GEDALIAH

Sept. 23, Wednesday

SHABBAT SHUVAH

Sept. 25, Friday Shabbat
Maariv 8:00 pm

Sept. 26, Saturday Shabbat
Shacharit 10:00 am

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sept. 27, Sunday
Lexington Cemetery 12:30 pm

YOM KIPPUR

Sept., 29, Tues
Pre-Yom Kippur Mincha 1:00 pm
KOL NIDRE 7:00 pm
(Be at OZS by 6:45, doors close at 7:00!)

Sept. 30, Wed.
Shacharit 9:00 am
Youth (6-10 years) 10:30 am
Children (3-5 years) 10:30 am
Yizkor 12:15 pm
Study 3:45 pm
Mincha 4:45 pm
Neilah 7:00 pm
Maariv, Havdallah & Break Fast.
Bring your Shofars and have a blast. 8:10 pm

SUKKOT

Oct. 4, Sunday
Erev Sukkot 7:45 pm

Oct. 5, Monday
Shacharit 9:30 am
Mincha 7:15 pm
Maariv 7:45 pm

Oct. 6, Tuesday
Shacharit 9:30 am
Mincha 7:15 pm

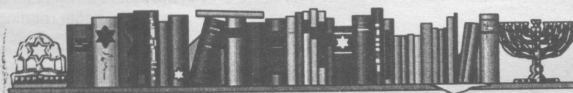
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Oct. 11, Sunday
EREV SHMINI ATZERET 7:45 pm

Oct. 12, Monday SHMINI ATZERET
Shacharit 9:30 am
YIZKOR 11:30 am

Mincha 6:30 pm
SIMCHAT TORAH Singing & Dancing
Consecration 7:00 pm

Oct. 13, Tuesday SIMCHAT TORAH
More Singing & Dancing 9:30 am
Mincha 7:15 pm



TORAH STUDY AT OZS

Join us for a lively discussion every Tuesday at 11:00 am
in our weekly Torah Study Class!

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September 1998

Elul - Tishri 5758

September 4-5, Elul 14
Shabbat Ki Tetze

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Ginger Knight
Oneg TBA

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Mike Ades
Gabbai Steve Caller
Torah Reader Oscar Haber

September 11-12, Elul 21
Shabbat Ki Tavo
ADAM ELIAS BAR MITZVAH

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Rick Zimmerman
Oneg TBA

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Rick Zimmerman
Gabbai Adam Elias
Torah Reader Adam Elias

September 18-19, Elul 28
Shabbat Nitzavim

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Charlie Spiegel
Oneg Vinnie & Lou Dubilier
Angie & Gerald Dubilier

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Sue Westerman
Gabbai Doug Rank
Torah Reader Rafi Finkel

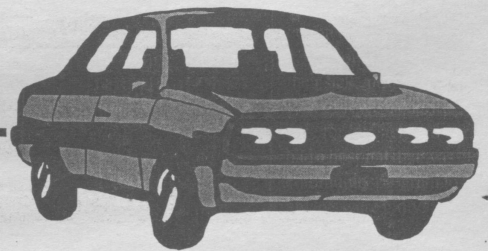
September 25-26, Tishri 6
Shabbat Va-Yelech

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Bennett Bayer
Oneg TBA

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Bret Caller
Gabbai Beth Goldstein
Torah Reader OZS

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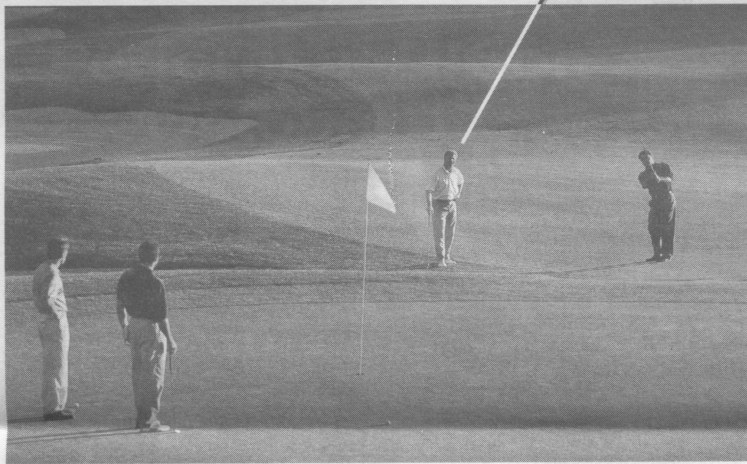


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