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Ezrine, Levine to Receive Awards at CKJF Annual Meeting

Sue Ezrine and Judy Levine have been chosen for the second annual President's Award to be presented at the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Annual Meeting, Sunday, June 24, 7:30 p.m. In announcing the awards CKJF President Marty Barr said the Presidents Awards are for demonstrated long-term commitment and effort on behalf of United Jewish Communities / Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. (UJC/CKJF).

The CKJF annual meeting includes a Presidents' report of the past year's activities, nomination and

election of new members to the Board of Directors following the report of the CKJF Nominating Committee, Volunteer Awards and recognition of members completing service on the Board of Directors. The meeting will be in the social hall of Congregation Ohavay Zion, 2048 Edgewater Court.

Two Lexington women have been selected to receive Volunteer Awards. President Barr named Aviva Bowling and Ruth Poley as recipients of this year's awards. This recognition is based on exemplary work in promoting Federation activities on

behalf of the Central Kentucky Jewish Community.

Two officers will also be recognized. Completing two terms as an elected member of the Board of Trustees, current immediate Past-President Evelyn Dantzic Geller will be recognized. Ken Mayer has completed two terms (the maximum) as Board Member and Treasurer.

President Barr encourages all members of the community to attend and participate. Light refreshments will be served.

Show of contemporary Jewish art a "Must See"

by Ruth Poley

I had the great good fortune to attend the opening of "The Perpetual Well: Contemporary Art from the Collection of The Jewish Museum" in Huntington on May 5. While no amount of verbiage can do credit to the show, I would like to offer a little, in the hope that I can encourage all of you to attend. The exhibition at the Huntington Museum of Art continues through July 29, 2001. Our Central Kentucky Jewish Federation organized a bus trip to the exhibition - Sunday, June 17. If you have not yet made your reservations, please call the CKJF office for any last minute available space.

The show offers a contemporary vision of Jewish life in all its varied aspects. We see families together

and families torn apart, joy and sorrow, life and death, the fierce longing to belong along with the certain knowledge that we never will. The images are stark and beautiful, rich and complex. And, while extended descriptions are included for each piece, there is much still left to individual interpretation.

The works are organized into different categories: The Bible, Legends, and Folk Tales; Ritual and Prayer; Identity and Assimilation; Antisemitism and the Holocaust; and Generation to Generation. Included are three different varieties of golem in three different media, works on canvas, haunting photographs, and much more.

We are fortunate indeed that the Huntington Museum of Art courageously undertook to bring this show to the area; we are unlikely to have another opportunity to see a show of this quality in such close proximity to Lexington. If you cannot join the bus trip on June 17, then I urge you to drive up there yourselves. It's an easy two hour trip on I-64 (exit 8 in Huntington and follow the signs to the museum). I promise you, it's worth the trip!



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CONDOLENCES TO:

Art & Stacy Dunahue on the death of Art's mother, **Alberta Dunahue**, on May 2, 2001 and the death of Stacy's aunt, **Carolyn Davis**, on May 9, 2001.

Please let us know of any news you would like to share with the community.

MAZEL TOV TO:

Elissa Paige Brown, who graduated from Indiana University on May 5, with a double degree in Anthropology and Jewish Studies. Elissa is the daughter of **David & Marcia Brown**.

Bruck & Diana Cantin of New York City on the May 1st birth of their daughter, **Jordanna**. **Fran & Ted Friedman** are the proud grandparents and **Sharyn Sharer** the lucky aunt.

Esteban & Sol Hecht, on their marriage on April 14, 2001.

Adam J. Miller on receiving the Maurice A. Clay Award presented by Omicron Delta Kappa Society in recognition of his leadership, scholastic achievement, conspicuous attainment, and service to the College of Fine Arts at the University of Kentucky. He received his B.A. degree, cum laude, in Arts Administration with a concentration in Theatre on May 6, 2001, and delivered a commencement address at the College's recognition ceremony.

During his senior year, Adam completed a marketing internship at the Manhattan Theatre Club in New York City, worked as the Department of Theatre's house manager, and recently served as assistant director and publicity coordinator for the musical, *Floyd Collins*.

Adam will be attending Columbia University in the fall, where he will study toward his M.F.A. in Theatre Management and Producing.

Adam's parents are **Jack & Susan Miller**. **Ilena Parker** who has advanced to finalist standing in the National Merit Competition, and has been accepted to the University of Pennsylvania.

David & Marsha Rose on the marriage of their daughter, **Nicki Matthews** to **Steve Walter**, on April 21, 2001.

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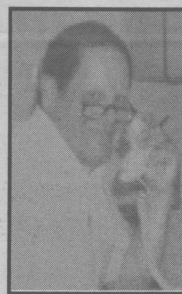
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by
Marty Barr



This is my last column as President of CKJF. In June, I will turn the reigns over to my successor and

give him the same support that I have been so fortunate to have over the last two years. I would like to thank the Board for their support over this period as we broke new ground and tried to reinvent the ways that many aspects of Federation are run.

We have an excellent professional staff that acts to support the work of our volunteers. My thanks to Danny Chefec, Lori Zimmerman, Fran Morris and Diana Lockridge for their diligence and perseverance. A special word of thanks goes to Holly Barnhill who was there for most of the time and did whatever was required.

The committees have also evolved and have raised our level of activity enormously. We are putting on more programs than ever before to a wider audience base, reaching out to all age groups. While this expansion has been going on, we have also enhanced our mainstay programs such as Camp Shalom, Winter Dinner, and Yom Ha' Atzmaut. This year's concert by the Lexington Community Orchestra, where Aviva Bowling was the driving force, recalled the days of the Forum series that we all attended. The people leading these committees - Ginger Knight, Phil Berger, Debra Isenstadt, Uri Smith, Cookie Wenneker, Vinnie Dubilier, and Lisa Miller with Tikkun Lexington, and the people who staffed the booths, sold tickets and carried out the myriad tasks associated with each successful event all are due our thanks for a superb job.

Finances are what makes the Federation run. In this area the leadership of Leon Cooper, Ellie Goldman, Sue Ezrine, Alan Stein, Lowell Nigoff, and Gail Cohen and the work of the phone callers and other volunteers have enabled us to set new levels of attainment in terms of gifts and participation. Finally, thanks to Stan Saxe, Evelyn Geller, Ken Mayer, and Vinnie Dubilier for your backing and support on the Executive Committee.

Good luck to all of us as we move forward next year.

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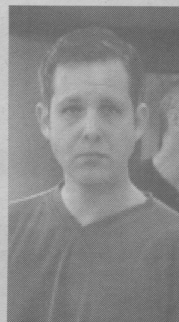
Marty Barr Greets the Audience



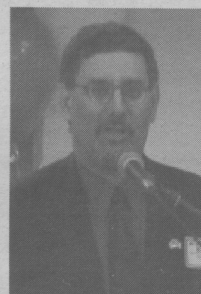
Rep. Kathy Stein

We couldn't have asked for a nicer day! The Central Kentucky Jewish Federation's local celebration of Yom Ha' Atzmaut, Israeli Independence Day, took place on May 13 and was a great experience for all who attended. Some improvements over last year gave us more space to move about, and there was an abundance of tasty food at reasonable prices.

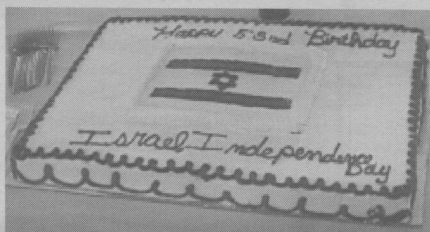
Activities for the kids included the ever-popular giant slide and other inflatable venues, jewelry making, face painting, singing, and dancing. The adults enjoyed slides of Israel, books from Joseph Beth, Israeli folk dancing, Klezmer music, and more. The accompanying photographs say it all. Thanks to the Community Activities Committee for all their hard work organizing this delightful day.



State Treasurer Jonathan Miller



Giora Becher, Consul General of Israel in Philadelphia



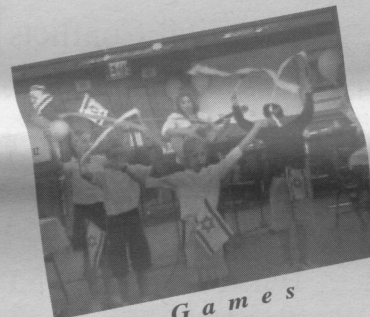
Happy Birthday, Israel!



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YOM HASHOAH 2002 - 5762

We are beginning the planning of a community-wide observance of Yom Hashoah 2002. We welcome representatives from all Jewish organizations in Central Kentucky and individuals who would like to be part of the planning committee.

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Courtney Krieger

"Otzma has taught me about myself and about the people I belong to," affirms 24-year old Courtney Krieger from Akron, Ohio. The one-year Israel Experience Otzma program combines living on a kibbutz, Hebrew lessons, volunteer work and discovering Judaism. Otzma is sponsored by JAFI, the UJA, and the Council for Jewish Federations to develop young Jewish leadership.

Julie Mokhtarian

"I think the Partnership 2000 project is a wonderful idea. Everyone is so welcoming," reports 20-year old Julie Mokhtarian from Chicago. Julie participated in a Partnership 2000 Camp Kefiyadah, in which native English speakers from abroad spend the summer helping local youngsters with their English. The overseas visitors are housed with local families, engage in tutoring duties and tour the country.

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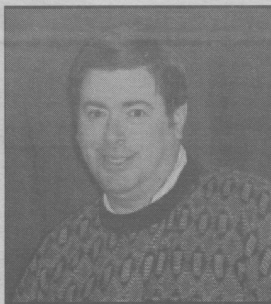
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THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN PROFESSIONALS AND VOLUNTEERS A RECIPE ON BUILDING JEWISH COMMUNITY

*By Daniel Chejfec, Executive Director
Central Kentucky Jewish Federation*

The Hebrew word for "community volunteers" is "Askanim," that roughly translated means "they who are engaged in the task." So who is an Askan? Of course volunteers are Askanim, and so are professionals. This leads to a different question: What are the roles of the professional and the volunteer in developing services and caring for the community? What are the roles of the President and the Executive Director of the Federation? What is the role of the Board? What is the role of the committees?

While some communities adopt a model with the Professional as the ultimate authority, and others the model of the Professional as hired help, in Lexington we have chosen a third model, where professionals and volunteers work as partners. One aspect of this partnership is clear. The Board of Directors and the Officers were elected to determine organizational policy. The Professional implements those decisions as a community employee.

But the Professionals are not only employees. They possess the knowledge, expertise, and training that the organization needs to succeed. They also deal with organizational matters on a full-time basis, because they have the most comprehensive understanding of what is happening in the organization.

While the Board of Directors sets policy, the professional must provide the Board with the information it needs to deliberate wisely and decide effectively and ensure that the decision making as defined by the organization is reinforced. In order to ensure the continuity of leadership, involvement in voluntary organizations is important.

In voluntary organizations it is also important for the Board and the Professional to respect and support the committees' process in any organization where committees exist. Again, the Professional should provide all the necessary information, but the committees should define action, and the Board of Directors' role is to make sure that those

decisions are compatible with the overall policies of the organization. If the professional or the Board arbitrarily overrules the committees' decisions, the committees will become ineffective. The committees are the "training ground," and some of their members will become the leaders of the organization.

Just imagine what would happen if a committee decides on a course of action the President - or the Professional - overrules the committee. In the short term, the organization could possibly be more efficient - but in the long term people would see no point in serving on committees. This would shrink the volunteer pool from which future leaders should emerge. Sound familiar? It actually happened more than once.

Over the last two years, under the leadership of Marty Barr, our Federation has been recreating itself, with more activity at the committee level. This has increased the activities of the organization and made it more effective in meeting the needs of the community. Our Jewish Family Service has grown significantly over the last year; so did the Community Activities Committee. We are looking forward to an even more exciting Camp Shalom this coming summer. The Community Relations Committee has developed new relationships with other communities and met the challenges of an increasingly difficult environment. Hillel is growing. Our Community Campaign is reaching more people and raising more resources for the community. Our paper is improving with every issue and becoming more and more a community forum. Young Leadership is growing; we are organizing program for local Jewish singles, Tikkun Lexington is developing new ways to reach out to the community, and we are becoming more visible in the general community. We are growing.

None of this growth would be possible without Askanim, both volunteers and professionals. We have a good thing going. Let us not take it for granted, for it demands constant care and dedication. Let us all engage in the task of building community.

Yafet Alemo

"I believe the Masorti movement can help build bridges and I know I can also help my own community," says Yafet Alemo, an Ethiopian immigrant, studying to be a Conservative rabbi while working as a registered nurse. A JAFI scholarship supports his studies at the Schechter Institute of Judaic Studies in Jerusalem, affiliated with New York's Jewish Theological Seminary.

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Jewish Music a Hit at Singletary

by Ruth Poley

It was a beautiful Sunday afternoon in April – a good time to be outside enjoying the weather. Nonetheless, record numbers of people packed the Singletary Center Recital Hall to hear the Lexington Community Orchestra, in a concert funded by the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, play a selection of music by Jewish



Karp's cello solo of Bruch's Kol Nidre and

composers. And no one was disappointed.

The program was just the right mix of music to keep everyone interested, and the playing was enthusiastic, joyful, and very professional. Benjamin

Alan Hersh's rendition of Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue were both outstanding.

For many of us, this was our first experience with this orchestra, but it won't be our last. What a hidden treasure we have here! We'll be on the lookout for more opportunities to hear them play, and we are looking forward to another performance in collaboration with the CKJF, possibly in the fall of 2002.

The Federation hosted a reception following the concert, which afforded the opportunity to speak with the members of the orchestra, the soloists, and



conductor Jonathan Roller. It was enlightening and gratifying to hear their views and share their enthusiasm for the concert.

Thanks to the Community Activities Committee, especially Aviva Bowling, who worked so hard to



bring this performance to us, and to the Great Harvest Bread Company which generously provided some of the refreshments for the reception.

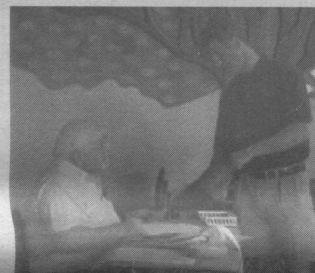
Watch for another joint music venture in the future.

Super Sunday a Great Success



On Sunday, May 6, volunteers of the Jewish Community gathered again, as every year, to reach out to the community. Chaired by Gail Cohen and Lowell Nigoff, the event brought (so far) \$14,00 from 154 people - that is better even than last year!!

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COLUMN MUSINGS

by Marcia Blacker



A few days ago, I received a notice in the mail that my 50th high-school reunion would take place in 2002. Even though I knew there had to be some mistake in the calculations of my otherwise trusty-in-math classmates, I began to think back about my high-school years.

I was a freshman in 1948; the post-war era was in full swing. Times were pretty good. Service men and women were returning home, picking up their lives, and building families and homes. The suburbs were now a reality. As we slid into the decade of the fifties, life was reasonably good. Oh, there were global issues, the "police action" in Korea for one, and the heating up of the cold war (I suppose there's a pun intended), but generally speaking, the early fifties were quiet. It was after all the early days of television; what harm could come to us when we watched Milton Berle every Tuesday night on Mrs. Forman's DuMont television set? My mother and I were invited each week to sit with our next-door neighbor in the dark and laugh at the antics of Uncle Miltie. Several months later my father surprised us with a television set of our own!

In the summer of 1952, between my junior and senior year, I was a counselor-in-training at a

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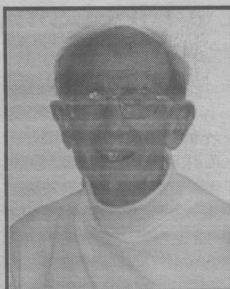
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A JEWISH PEDDLER'S PHILANTHROPY

by Michael E. Adelstein

Been there, done that? So you've seen all the sights worth seeing in Central Kentucky. You've taken in Raven Run, Ashland, the Lexington Cemetery, McConnell Springs, the Buckley Wildlife Sanctuary, the Arboretum, the Lexington Cemetery, and many others. You've also enjoyed Natural Bridge, the Red River Gorge, and Shakertown.

But if you're interested in someplace different, I've got a spectacular site for you—Bernheim Forest. Never heard of it? Well, that may be because it's a Louisville landmark, being located one mile east of the I-65 Bardstown-Clemont exit (112) off of Ky 245, roughly an hour and a half drive from here.

But it's worth that time and more. Its 14,000 acres contain a nationally acclaimed arboretum, lovely gardens, scenic lakes, a variety of trails, and drives of eye-boggling natural beauty. You start at the nature center with its pool of water lilies and then motor, bike, or hike in the splendid surroundings that contain about 2,000 labeled trees, shrubs, and plants. Enjoy especially the 250 varieties of holly and the glorious maples, crab apples, dwarf conifers, and dogwoods.

Within the arboretum are four lakes. The Cedar Lakes are a good place to spot waterfowl. Lake Nevin, covering some 32 acres, is available for fishing.

You shouldn't miss the spectacular view from Big Meadow Overlook, where the gravesite of Mr. Isaac Bernheim is located. Who's he? A Jewish peddler who moved from rags to riches and became a prominent philanthropist. His life story illustrates an immigrant's dream.

Born in the Black Forest area of Germany in 1848, Isaac Bernheim was lured to the United States at the age of 19 by his uncle, who wrote fascinating stories about the country and offered to loan Isaac money for passage and give him a job. But when Isaac arrived in America at the end of our Civil War, he found his uncle's factory was idle. Penniless and speaking little English, he got a job as a peddler, selling household items such as needles, thread, pins, rags, socks, and stockings in rural Pennsylvania.

In the winter Isaac opened a trading store, but when his horse died in the summer, he decided to move to Paducah, Kentucky where he obtained work in a wine and spirit store. Soon he and his brother bought the store and several years later moved to Louisville, where they opened a distillery. There they purchased

bulk whiskey and bottled their own brand, which they named I.W. Harper. The "I.W." came from Bernheim's initial and middle names (Isaac Wolfe) and Harper, the name of a famous Kentucky horse breeder, was selected because it was American sounding.

The Bernheims made so much money that Isaac retired in 1915 at 67. He devoted the rest of his life to philanthropy and to writing two semi-autobiographical books.

Among his many contributions were funds for the first library at Hebrew Union College and statues of Henry Clay and Ephraim McDowell in the Capitol Building in Washington. In Louisville, he financed the building of the first home of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, the statue of Jefferson at the county courthouse, an addition to Jewish Hospital, the statue of Lincoln at the Free Public Library, and the previously mentioned Bernheim Forest.

Isaac Bernheim was also prominent in Jewish affairs, serving on the Executive Board of the Union of the American Hebrew Congregation for 40 years and being Treasurer of the American Jewish Committee from 1907-22.

It was in 1928 that he fulfilled his dream of creating an area of natural splendor where all people could come to relax and enjoy the beauties of nature. Bernheim Forest is owned by the Isaac W. Bernheim Foundation, a private, non-profit organization, which manages the property. Mr. Bernheim also established a trust to provide funds for the operation of the Forest.

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P.S. Some of you may recall that many moons ago I wrote a column about the Jewish-Catholic commission appointed to determine Pope Pius XII's role during the Holocaust. According to a letter in a recent NY Times, a preliminary report was issued in October, "confirming that church officials in various countries had been aware of Nazi atrocities and had brought them to the attention of the Vatican." But because of incomplete information furnished the panel of three Catholic and three Jewish scholars, they could not come to any decision about the Pope's role. The scholars have requested additional documents from 47 different areas in Vatican archives. When (and if) they receive the information, they can come to a determination about this matter.

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CKJF LEISURE CLUB UPDATE

By Ruth Moser

This has been a busy year for the Leisure Club. In January we had our annual soiree to the Coach House, and in February we dined at Polo's. March found us at Temple Adath Israel where Fran Morris told us about Jewish Family Services (JFS) and Lisa Miller described Tikkun Lexington. In April we met at Ohavay Zion where Annette Milch showed her lovely iris slides. And in May we went to a concert at Arts Place.

Now you want to know what we will do in June. To tell you the truth, attendance has been down lately. What happened to all the kvetching and kvelling we used to do? So, to make up for all those excused and unexcused absences, we want everyone to meet for lunch at Malone's (Tates Creek) on Thursday, June 21 at 11:45 a.m. Don't forget to RSVP to Fran at 269-8244. Hope you all come.

No Shalom and no Leisure Club in July — we're all going fishing. See you in August.

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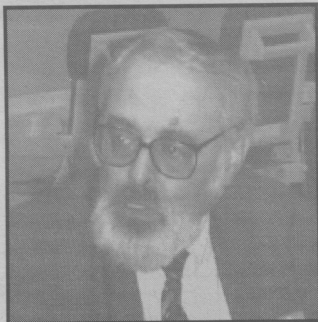
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Philosophy can occasionally be world enhancing. Galileo Galilei began a major scientific revolution when he wrote in 1623:

"Philosophy is written in this grand book – I mean the universe – which stands continually open to our gaze, but it cannot be understood unless one first learns to comprehend the language and interpret the characters in which it is written. It is written in the language of mathematics."

This revolution transformed our scientific view of the universe. Step by step, generation by generation, the natural sciences gained a systematic mathematical format. Newton and Leibnitz transformed physics and astronomy in the late 17th century when they invented integral and differential calculus, thus being able to describe dynamic systems in mathematical formulae. Lavoisier in the 18th century transformed chemistry when he showed by measuring the weights of chemicals that fire burned oxygen instead of releasing phlogiston. Darwin introduced the Galileian level of thought into biology when he published, in 1859, *The Origin of the Species*. The Galileian revolution of science has become so complete in the natural sciences that Sir James Jeans, a British physicist, could write in 1930:

"From the intrinsic evidence of his creation, the Great Architect of the Universe now begins to appear as a pure mathematician."

However, while the natural sciences have utilized mathematics, the humanities have remained immune to this revolution. So much so, that Charles Percy Snow could declare in 1959 that the sciences and humanities were *Two Cultures*, and Isaiah Berlin could lecture in 1974 on "The Divorce Between the Sciences and the Humanities."

The problem is that mathematics is too definitive. Russell and Whitehead proved in their *Principia Mathematica* that all mathematics depends on a complete divorce from ambiguity and vagueness. Mathematics starts from set theory, where any element either is or is not a member of a particular set. No ambiguity is allowed. But human life is full of vague, uncertain, and ambiguous situations. In order to describe scientifically human events and processes we have to use systems that

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involve and survive haziness and ambiguity.

W. Ross Ashby in 1956 described such ultrastable systems in his book, *An Introduction to Cybernetics*. These systems are stable enough to survive vague and ambiguous environments and, in some ways more importantly, vague and ambiguous contents. Ashby's systems were all described mathematically. However, once it became clear that it made no difference where in the margins these systems landed they always returned to a stable existence, the margins could cease being describable in mathematical terms. As long as the survivable systemic variations allowed in the margins were larger than the hazy and ambiguous sectors, we could redescribe these systems as having ambiguous and vague margins. This last point led me in turn to a realisation that ultrastable systems need not be limited by mathematics: I could widen my search as to what types of such systems were available.

This does not mean that such systems are totally divorced from mathematics. We often can give good mathematical approximations of such systems. We just are not limited to mathematical systems. With the help of the ultrastable systems we can also

governed behaviour and/or structural Gestalt-constancy. Thus organelles and homologous organs are evolutionary holons; morphogenetic fields are ontogenetic holons; the ethologist's "fixed action patterns" and the sub-routines of acquired skills are behavioural holons; phonemes, morphemes, words, phrases are linguistic holons; individuals, families, tribes, nations are social holons.

Accordingly, when looking at the relation between individuals and their communities, we see that each individual is part of his or her community, and thus subordinate to it.

In contrast, we can recognise ultrastable systems that form *layers* one above another. A system is in a different *layer* than another if the elements of the former are related to the elements of the latter by a transformation system. A *transformation system* is a system relating elements and patterns of one system to those of another according to a system of rules. A system forms a *metalayer* to a system in another layer if the rules of transformation are largely one-directional, from the metalayer to the *object layer*. A layer may be *intrinsically* a metalayer to another, the way a language forms a

metalayer to its referents, or a person is at a metalayer to the tools he is using. The metalayer relationship may be *extrinsic*, as a pattern or object being made a model for another object or object layer. Or it may be *mixed*, as ownership which derives (extrinsically) its validity from the rules and

more of the whole community even while the individual owners (intrinsically) affirm their ownership by using the properties they own.

From the layer perspective each individual is at a metalayer to his or her community, for they use their community to survive and flourish. Ben Zoma thought from this perspective when he saw multitudes on the rise of the Temple Mount. He said: Blessed be the wise [Source] of mysteries and blessed be the [One] who created all these to serve me. For the first Adam had to labour through many labours before he found bread to eat ... [or] clothing to wear, ... while I rise up early and find all these prepared before me. (*b. B'rakhot* 58a)

We can see how the two types of ultrastable systems permeate through each other in an army. From the holon perspective each private is part of a team that is part of a squad, and so on up through platoon, company, battalion, brigade, division, corps, and field army. Each army unit is a holon. From the layer perspective a private is commanded by a corporal, who is commanded by a sergeant, and so on up through a sergeant-major, lieutenant, captain, major, colonel, and various levels of general, to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The various ranks slice through an army in layers.

Each officer is both part of his unit and the unit

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study the humanities scientifically.

Ultrastable systems are both flexible and stable. Their ability to survive dynamic variations ensures their stability. We will look here at two types of ultrastable system, each a hierarchical system, which interpenetrate each other in an orthogonal fashion, much as lines of longitude and latitude cross through each other on a globe. Through these two types of systems we will understand better what is freedom.

The new perspective, however, leads us to very strange conclusions. The striving for freedom has led the Israelis and Palestinians to enslave each other. Even more shocking, both the liberal Christian world churches and the conservative Muslim communities are exploiting this enslavement, thereby harming the Palestinian community they wish to help. They are merely enablers, enabling and furthering the Palestinian rage without freeing the Palestinians. They are using the Palestinians merely as tools to hit upon the Israelis. But, because they cannot recognize the actual patterns of their activity they think they are helping to bring peace, and are even proud of their murderous foolishness.

One type of ultrastable system has been named a *holon* by Arthur Koestler. He gave its classical definition.

The term "holon" may be applied to any stable biological or social sub-whole which displays rule-

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Federation-sponsored camp a few miles outside of Omaha. The title was a dubious one; as near as I could tell, it meant I washed a lot of dishes and helped serve a lot of meals. At any rate, I was there with many of my friends, and most especially, my boy friend, Buddy. He preferred that name to his real name, Blaine, and who could argue? In the fifties, the era of Gordons, Melvins, Harrys, Blaine was a little "out there." But he was a nice guy and doing a good job as a junior counselor. I never did figure out why he was ranked higher than I was when we were the same age and had the same experience. Equal rights had not been invented yet!

Camp was idyllic; I can still conjure up some memories of it, especially on hot summer nights when the humidity is high and there are lots of lightening bugs and mosquitoes. However, there was something much deadlier around in the fifties - polio. We stayed away from crowded swimming pools, movie theatres, and any gatherings where our mothers didn't know how "clean" everyone else's mother was.

One night Buddy and I were talking at the main lodge after dinner, and we suddenly realized that we hadn't seen his cousin, Mel, at dinner or after dinner. We commented about it, but figured we'd been so engrossed in each other's conversation that we'd simply missed him and we'd see him in the morning. Buddy knocked at my cabin early the next morning to tell me that Mel hadn't slept in his bunk. Mel and Buddy shared a cabin with a couple of other counselors. We went looking for him and finally found him in the nurse's cabin, shivering and huddled under a couple of blankets despite the already hot and humid morning. The nurse had taken the night off, so Mel had been alone all night. He complained of a sore throat and a stiff neck. Buddy and I exchanged glances; we were innocent about a lot, but we knew those symptoms could well mean more than the flu.

We were able to summon help for Mel, and we watched as he was carried out of camp to a local hospital. Sometime later that day we learned the scary news, as did our parents, and the phone lines hummed.

Mel recovered ultimately, thank goodness, though not without some residual, though mild, paralysis. We went back to school in the fall, graduated in the spring, and went our separate ways. Will I see them when I return for the 50th reunion? Possibly. But I'll never forget them, summer camp, and the eternal gratitude we all felt for Drs. Salk and Sabin.

The fifties may have been an innocent time, but they were not without their special scourge. What decade of human history hasn't been? Some day, these will be the good old days."

Yardena Fanta

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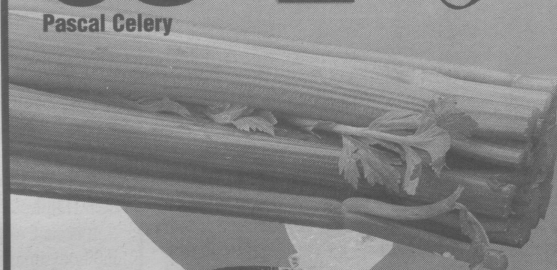
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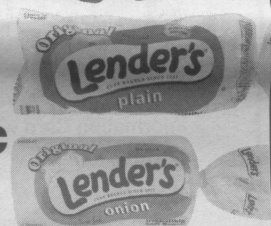
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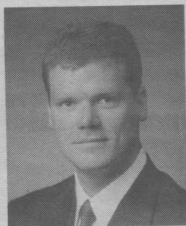
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Dear JFS,

I am concerned about my thirteen-year-old daughter. She has become very weight-conscious over the last year and tells me she thinks she's fat, when I think she is at a healthy weight. She never finishes her dinner and limits her food intake even when she is hungry because she is so fearful of gaining weight. What can I do to help her? This hurts me very much as I struggled with weight issues when I was young also.

Helpless mom

Dear Helpless,

It is such a shame that our daughters' generation struggles with weight and body image issues just as we did so many years ago. The women's movement has come so far in other areas that it is sad our girls are still uncomfortable with their bodies. Some degree of concern over body image is normal in teenagers as this is the time when their bodies change and they go through puberty. It is when this concern turns into obsession - constant calorie-counting, excessive exercising, bingeing and/or purging - that this becomes a problem. It sounds as though your daughter may need some professional assistance at this time. We recommend psychological counseling with a trained specialist for girls in the field of eating disorders. Please contact me for a referral to a qualified counselor or nutritionist.

In the fall, Jewish Family Services is going to hold a workshop for girls between 11 and 16 years of age on body image and nutrition. We will feature a psychologist who counsels young women with eating disorders on a full-time basis and a nutritionist who has experience in this area. This program is free and open to the entire Jewish community and promises to be a learning experience in a supportive and caring atmosphere. If you would like more information or have further questions, please contact me at JFS at 269-8244.

TODAH RABAH (THANK YOU !)

To Sharon Wainshilbaum and Herb Fertig who hosted our Partners for Solidarity (Hillel program) speakers for dinner

To Elizabeth O'Dell for preparing the kosher lunch for our Partners for Solidarity speakers

To Carl Hackney who provided extra drinks for the surprising number of attendees at the CKJF sponsored Lexington Community Orchestra Concert on April 29th

To Laura O'Dell for her leadership role at the Spaghetti Dinner and Auction for the Jewish Community Habitat for Humanity Project

To all the volunteers who came on Super Sunday, helping us to reach more people and connecting them to the community

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

More Bad News Jews

Just finished reading Mike Adelstein's interesting article on the bad Jews. Although, embarrassed by the image they project of Jews, I would like to add a few anecdotes that Mike failed to mention.

Abe "Twist" Reles, was thrown out the window of a Coney Island Hotel while under N.Y.P.D. protective custody.

Louis Lepke Buckhalter surrendered to Walter Winchell and was executed at Sing Sing during Dewey's tenure as Governor of N.Y.

Bugsy Siegel was murdered by the mob for overruns on the cost of the first luxury hotel in Vegas. He also let his girlfriend Virginia Hill steal from the mob, and she was neither Jewish or Italian, so she has two strikes against her from the start.

Meyer Lansky was the accountant and genius of the mob; he died in bed in Miami Beach, of natural causes.

A lesser mob figure named Drucker used ice picks for his killing, and would tie slot machines to the victims and dump them in Loch Sheldrake Lake, near his parents bungalow colony. He was caught when he buried one victim under this folks' handball court, and the police got suspicious when they noticed the wet cement was too thick.

I tell this story because I knew his daughter, Sheila, growing up; she married a friend of mine

named Charlie Nebelkof. It didn't last – she wouldn't buy an ice maker – and now he's a tout at Gulfstream. Drucker got 20-to-life at Sing Sing and was the prison handball champ at the time of his death.

One bright note, our present-day Jewish criminals have switched to white collar crime; guess that's one advantage of a college education.

Steve Kesten

More on B.C. Comic Strip

I read with interest Jonathan Satin's May 2001 letter about the Easter Sunday "B.C." comic strip, and then Johnny Hart's statement in defense of it. When I first saw the strip on Easter Sunday, it was clear to me that the menorah represented Jesus, not Judaism. As Jesus' life was being extinguished during his crucifixion, so were the seven candles of the menorah, accompanied by his seven utterances. I thought that the skeleton of the menorah becoming a cross was a powerful image – not of the demise of Judaism, but of the resurrection of Jesus.

Johnny Hart's statement confirmed my understanding of the comic strip when he said, "The menorah, with its seven candles, to Jesus and the Jews, was symbolic ... of the many facets of Jewish life and worship. It was because of the mystical marvel of 7's – seven candlesticks, seven utterances from the cross – that I chose the menorah as part of the symbolism for my Easter strip:

The Light of the World [Jesus] being slowly extinguished candle by candle with each utterance ... " Then he goes on to say, "I abhor the so-called 'Replacement Theology.'" Here Mr. Hart's intent is clear and benign, contrary to Jonathan Satin's assessment.

When Mr. Hart asserts, "I, too, am a Jew," he is saying that the Christian has a covenant with God

similar to the Jew's. As Jews, we needn't fear what we have in common with the Christian, which is Jesus' teachings. When asked what the most important tenet of his faith was, Jesus replied, "To love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your might." He went on to say that the second most important tenet was, "Love your neighbor as thyself." These ideas are the essence of Judaism.

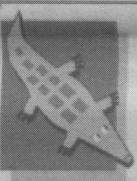
Where Christianity departs from Judaism is the idea of Jesus' divinity, where his crucifixion and resurrection became the supreme sacrifice to save the souls of men ("For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" – John 3:16) Although to the Jew, such an idea may border on polytheism, it was the divine authority of Jesus that made his teachings (i.e. Judaism) acceptable to the pagans over the ages. In that sense, the evangelical imperative is a good thing.

Where Christianity becomes dangerous to non-Christians is the idea of its supremacy over other religions, taken from John 14:6, where Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." This is the idea, when unbridled, can lead to triumphalism and persecution. It is a distinctly un-Jewish idea, and, paradoxically, an un-Christian one as well.

As Jews, we should engage the Christians in dialogue over just such ideas and not distance ourselves from them by playing victim whenever a statement of Christian faith comes to the fore, such as Johnny Hart's.

David Marwil

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Come Join the Fun at Camp Shalom

by Jason Heymann

From swimming in the pool under a blazing sun, to constructing your own Haggada sets, Camp Shalom is the place to be. Through activities, singing, and bonding games, Camp Shalom builds important Jewish friendships that can last a lifetime. After the end of the week field trips, enjoyable games, swimming in the pool, and learning about Judaism, Camp Shalom becomes a truly memorable experience.

Being a counselor at Camp Shalom 2000, I learned so much and bonded with Gimmel, the name of my age group of kids. I see some of the children at school and Sunday school and there is always embracing and remembrance of the fun three weeks of Camp the previous summer. Each one of them gained such an understanding of relationships, Judaism, and camp life that I can only look forward to next year's session of Camp Shalom.

Camp Shalom is such a wonderful program and I encourage everyone to look into signing your child/children up. It is the best way to have a good final two weeks of summer before school starts. I look forward to another successful year at Camp Shalom!

Jason is the son of Sandy and Marvin Heymann.

DINNER and FUNDRAISING AUCTION RAISE \$9,000 FOR HABITAT PROJECT

by Ernie Cohen

On Sunday, April 29th the Lexington Jewish Community came together in a very special way. In the early evening, almost 200 hungry adults and children gathered at Ohavay Zion Synagogue for a delicious supper of spaghetti, salad, dessert, and soft drinks to help provide funds for the Habitat House that the Jewish Community will build. Before supper, we viewed a multitude of items that were graciously donated by many businesses in the community for a silent and live



addition, the Sunday school classes of Ohavay Zion Synagogue and Temple Adath Israel prepared beautiful gift baskets to be auctioned off. Many of the

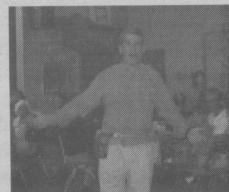
children who took part in assembling these baskets were there to join in the fun.

Supper was cooked and replenished often by men of the Temple Brotherhood and the Synagogue Men's Club. Before the meal we had a presentation by personnel from the Lexington office of Habitat For Humanity. We got to meet the family members who will be living in the house.



This supper and auction was a combined project of all the organizations active in the Jewish Community — Ohavay Zion Synagogue, Temple Adath Israel, The Lexington Havurah, CKJF, Hadassah, and Hillel. Volunteers from each of the organizations had a hand in making this event extremely successful. In particular, thanks go to Ray and Colby Cohen-Archer for heading the project and making this evening happen. Thanks also to Bennett Bayer, OZS President, who was the auctioneer and created much of the excitement of the evening. Ray Archer and Rabbi Cohen assisted in auctioning some of the items. In fact, Rabbi Cohen sold off the single

largest revenue generating item, a basket of chocolates, for \$2500. Another basket of chocolates brought in \$1000. Some other items auctioned were tickets to the Legends baseball games, books, tools, weekends at nearby hotels, and dinners at some of our notable restaurants. Altogether, \$9100 was raised on Sunday. With the cash already on hand, and the amounts generated by the auction, we have \$22,238 towards our goal of \$35,000. About \$2500 has also been contributed as "in kind" contributions. We now need to raise an additional \$10,000 to reach our goal.



We know that Lexington is a special community that can make special things happen. Those who attended had a wonderful time and most significantly, the evening brought us closer to helping a family realize its dreams.

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commander. He is at a metalayer to his unit. His commands follow the paths of rules of transformation from him to the unit, for his unit transforms its activities according to the commands.

The two types of ultrastable systems clarify Isaiah Berlin's "Two Concepts of Liberty," on which he lectured in 1958. He stated that the one is a notion of negative freedom, freedom-from, increasing "to the degree which no man or body of men interferes with my activity." "The wider the area of non-interference the wider my freedom." The other is the notion of positive freedom, freedom-to, "bearing responsibility for my choices and able to explain them by reference to my own ideas and purposes." The holon and metalayer perspectives clarify these two types of freedom when we note that freedom-from is best explained from a holon perspective and freedom-to from a metalayer perspective.

When I drive a car I am limited by the laws of the road, by the road conditions, and by the other cars around me. In America I can drive only on the right, and in England only on the left, unless I am suicidal and do not care about other lives. These conditions all limit my freedom-from. However, my knowledge of the rules of the road and of driving procedures gives me the freedom to decide where to drive, and enables me to reach there much more quickly and efficiently. From the metalayer perspective I am not just master of my car. The car is part of me, as we see when I say, "I hit the telephone pole," even though it was the car that hit it, and the pole never was closer than five feet from me. When the car is part of me I have greater freedom-to.

From the metalayer perspective we can gain more freedom only by understanding accurately our situation, and working with that knowledge.

As Rabbi Joshua ben Levi stated, "Freedom is engraved upon the Tablets of the Covenant, for only a person who has studied the Torah is free (*m. Avot 6:2*)." We are at a metalevel both to the environment in which we are acting, and to our ideas of that environment. We with our ideas and the environment thus form at least three layers: our aware and willing egos, the layer of our ideas, and the layer of the environment we are thinking of. We may add further layers, a layer of sentences describing our ideas, a layer of mathematical symbols expressing a model we are using, or a layer of tools through which we are affecting the environment. We can easily add more layers because we humans are so complex.

We want our ideas to be true ideas, ones that fit the environment upon which we act. The correspondence theory of truth expresses this by demanding that the ideas correspond to the reality they express. An officer enhances the survival of his men when his plans are based on true information. We can sit on a chair only when we know where the chair is. Otherwise we may miss it and land on the floor. As Francis Bacon said, "Nature, to be commanded, must be obeyed."

From the holon perspective the Israelis and Palestinians each set limits upon the ability of the other to survive. Freedom is gained only by destroying or repulsing the outside forces, and thus by strengthening the will to rebel. Thus, thinking only with negative freedom, each can gain the most by destroying the other. The metalayer perspective has to take the holon perspective into account, but it allows us to look beyond the limited perspective of foot-soldiers who are ordered about by everybody else. The Israeli perspective combines both holon and metalayer systems. The Palestinian perspective focuses only upon holon systems: an *intefada* is a holon response, for it disregards external information.

Just as a car can become part of you, any tool can become part of you, but only if you care about it. A

craftsman's tools are part of him, and he lavishes great care for them. A person who leaves his tools lying around and allows them to rust is no craftsman.

We can see now why we can claim that the Palestinians are being treated merely as tools of other communities. Hamas and Hezbollah send Palestinians as suicide bombers, while their commanders try to remain out of harm's way. The Palestinian leadership uses Palestinian children as expendable tools, putting the children with stones in the front lines, with *Tanzim* officers with rifles behind them. This is in major contrast to Israeli officers who treat their men as part of themselves: their men's lives are as precious as their own. The Israelis lead their men to battle, showing in a practical manner that they partake in the very same dangers that they place their men.

Christian and Muslim outsiders keep the Palestinians thinking in false formats, making it impossible for the Palestinians to think straight and thereby become masters of the real situation. These enablers tell the Palestinians to ask for a return of all the Palestinian refugees, when it is an obvious lie that the country can sustain that many extra people, especially since global warming has created drought conditions in Israel and there is not enough water even for the present population. These advisers, while remaining smugly out of harm's way, sustain by these impossible demands the Palestinian anger. But, thereby they keep the Palestinian thinking merely in a holon fashion, in a false manner, demanding only freedom-from and not freedom-to. The Palestinians remain thereby merely tools, and not masters of their own fate.

Only after both Israelis and Palestinians gain a metalayer perspective can they work out a mutual communication based on truth, creating an area where real communication can occur. Only such real communication can eventually bring peace.

Building Strength Through Diversity

by Cookie Wenneker, Chairperson

Jewish Family Services of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation

Bonjour! Fran Morris, Director of Jewish Family Services, and I recently returned from Montreal, Canada after attending the 29th annual conference of the Association of Jewish Family and Children's Agencies, of which JFS-Lexington is a member. This vibrant, culturally diverse city was an appropriate backdrop for exploring the conference theme: Celebrating the Jewish Mosaic, the Many Faces of Our People.

Fran and I listened to thought-provoking plenary speakers, urging us to meet our Jewish friends around the world and reach out to those needing support. We attended sessions on developing strong relationships between our directors and our JFS advisory boards. We shared ideas with other participants on ways to provide interesting meetings which evoke input from our knowledgeable and committed board members.

We learned of exciting programs across the lifespan which addressed many needs and were created by small as well as large agencies. Some examples include innovative approaches to working with seniors living with loss, and an

exciting opportunity for persons with developmental disabilities to have an indepth experience in Israel.

A highlight of the conference was the creation of the Diversity Art Installation, "E Pluribus Unum," a work in progress over the three days. As time permitted, people dropped in between sessions to continue creating individual boxes which symbolized our individual philosophies and missions as JFS members. This creative, energizing exercise culminated in an amazing structure composition of all the boxes entitled, "E Pluribus Unum."

I must admit that on day one I was skeptical that I could feel a kinship with agencies serving thousands of persons in as many as ten locations around a city! But, as the days passed, and we all worked and learned together, I realized that we shared the very same values and missions as we strive to enrich the lives of those around us.



JFS Director Fran Morris and JFS Chair Cookie Wenneker show the "JFS Box" they created in Montreal.

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Lexington Chapter of Hadassah Wins Award



Hadassah Central States Region President, Marilyn Myers with Janet and Senator George V. Voinovich of Ohio

The Lexington Chapter of Hadassah received the Women's Health Award from National Hadassah at the Central States Region Conference banquet where Janet Voinovich, wife of Ohio's Senator, George V. Voinovich, received Hadassah's Woman of Valor Award for her work promoting initiatives to enhance the health and welfare of women and children.

Mrs. Voinovich shared her commitment to educating women across our country on the importance of mammography and breast self-examination as tools to detect early breast cancers and make cures more available to more women. She applauded Hadassah's program, Check It Out, which brings this education into the high schools to educate young women toward healthy lifestyles.

Senator Voinovich joined in praising his wife for the work she does across the country to make healthy women and healthy children a priority. He then spoke about his recent trip to Israel, and his meetings with Shimon Peres and Ariel Sharon. Voinovich strongly restated his and the Bush administration's commitment to a strong and secure Israel.

Nancy Menard and Janice Newman of the Lexington Chapter of Hadassah were recognized for their work in bring the Check It Out program to area high schools; sponsoring organizations, Sister to Sister and United Health Care, were honored as well.

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A CALL FOR JOY AT THE 2001 UJC/CKJF CAMPAIGN KICKOFF

A record number of people attended the April 22nd Kickoff event at the Lexington Legends' (Applebees') Ball Park. The evening started with a guided tour of the Park with Campaign Chairman and Lexington Legends President, Alan Stein. Alan showed us with justifi-



able pride the different parts of the facility, including VIP section, Press Room, etc. After the tour, we gathered on the seats over the Legends' dugout to listen to our speaker of the night, Dr. David Elcott. Dr. Elcott presented a magnificent case for celebrating Jewish identity in all its forms. He said that for many years the American Jewish



Dr. Elcott and Erve Levy

Community focused on the suffering of Jews to make a community case. From the Holocaust to the oppression of Soviet Jewry, to the freedom for Jews in Arab lands, the Jewish community focused on a collective

"Oy." Crises and emergencies have driven Jewish giving and Jewish Identity for the most part of the twentieth century.

In the twenty-first century, Elcott said, the game is different. Jews in America enjoy the widest acceptance of any Diaspora community, even to the point of having a Jewish vice-presidential candidate. Antisemitism, while it still exists, is not the problem it was fifty or even ten years ago. Israel is not a third world country any more, but a thriving industrialized democracy. Jews in the twenty-first century will have to accept the fact that we are "making it." American Jewry is refocusing on Jewish education,



Schmoozing Around ...

Susan Callor presenting the Lion of Judah pin to Arlene Cohen



on free Israel trips through the birthright initiative. We need to focus, Dr. Elcott claims, on the celebration of Jewish identity and Jewish creativity rather than the negative approach of the past. We need to change the "Oy" to "Joy."

The speaker pointed to the achievement of our community, shown on the CKJF information boards at the event, and the active participation in the Birthright program, as well as a growing Young Leadership group. Dr. Elcott's presentation was well received by the attendees.

Campaign Chair Alan Stein made an impassioned call for the younger generation to assume its responsibility in maintaining, running, and expanding the community the previous generations built. He called for the younger generation to "step up to the plate" and carry on the tradition of our people by accepting the responsibilities of leadership.

We can be proud of how far we have come over the last two years, and we look forward to the challenges ahead to ensure that the Jewish Community of Central Kentucky will live up to the task of enhancing Jewish life, promoting Jewish Education, and renewing the Jewish commitment to Tikkun Olam - The Improvement of the World.



B'tay Avon (Hearty Appetite)

By Ruth Poley
Salmon Gefilte Fish

Summer's here, and we're always looking for cool dishes to tempt the palate and delight the taste buds. Gefilte fish, with some fresh summer veggies makes a great hot weather supper. For many of us however, gefilte fish evokes memories of (what seemed like) hours of chopping in a well-worn wooden bowl, fish heads, onions, and smelly kitchens. For others, it's a much more antiseptic memory of opening a jar to extract a piece of relatively bland chopped fish patty. I offer you here a middle ground - homemade gefilte fish that tastes wonderful and won't take all day to prepare. Furthermore, in a modern twist on an old theme, it's made with salmon, much more readily available in central Kentucky than whitefish, pike, and carp. *Tip: I never make just a single recipe; if you can't eat it all, you can always find someone willing to take some off your hands!*

1/2 onion, cut into pieces
3 large carrots
2 tbsp. chopped fresh parsley leaves
1 1/2 lbs. salmon fillets, skin, bones and brown fat discarded

1 large egg
1 tsp. kosher salt, or to taste
1 tbsp. ice water
1 tbsp. matzo meal
1 large pinch white pepper, or to taste
about 9 cups salmon stock or white fish stock

In a food processor, purée the onion, add 1 carrot cut into pieces and the parsley, and blend the mixture until the carrot is chopped fine. Add the salmon, cut into one-inch pieces, the egg, salt, ice water, matzo meal, and white pepper and blend the mixture until it is smooth and slightly sticky. In a small saucepan of boiling salted water, poach one teaspoon of the salmon purée for one minute and taste it for seasoning, adding more salt and pepper if desired. Transfer the salmon mixture to a bowl and chill it, covered, for 1 hour. Bring the stock to a simmer and add the remaining two carrots, cut diagonally with a crinkle cutter. Simmer the carrots for 10 to 15 minutes, or until they are just tender. Remove them with a slotted spoon, cover, and refrigerate. With wet hands, form ovals of about 1/4 cup of salmon purée and put them on an oiled plate.

Poach the ovals in simmering stock for 20 minutes, or until a wooden pick comes out clean. Remove the pot from the heat and let the fish cool in the stock. The fish may be made three days in advance and kept in the stock, covered and refrigerated. When ready to serve, drain fish on paper towels, transfer to serving plate, garnishing each piece with a piece of the carrot. Serve with commercial bottled horseradish.

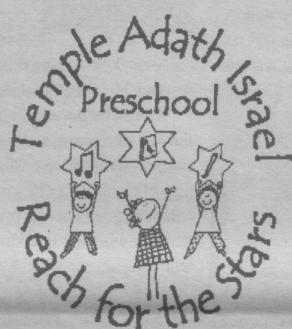
Fish Stock

2 lbs. salmon bones (no heads or skin)
3 large onions
3 carrots
2 stalks of celery, with tops
salt and pepper to taste

Place salmon, onion, carrots, and celery in three quarts of cold water and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for an hour. Strain the resulting stock and use in the recipe above. This stock can be used more than once. After making the fish, strain the stock and freeze. It will keep in your freezer for six months or more; the next time you make the fish you don't have to go through this step.



Habitat Project Underway



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Singles Event a Smash

On May 19, 2001, a group of 23 people came together for an evening of food and fun. The Lexington Singles along with a group of singles from Louisville met at Portofino's restaurant for a delicious dinner made especially for our group. The menu consisted of several different kinds of wine, salad, two kinds of vegetarian lasagna, and Portofino's famous tiramisu. Afterwards most of the group headed over to the Blue Moon Saloon club for drinks and dancing. If nothing else, this group proved they really know how to boogie. All in all, this event was a smashing success, with several new people joining us for the first time. I hope everyone will come back and join us for successive singles' events and next time bring a friend! Look for ads in Shalom for information on upcoming events.



**END OF SUMMER
RUMMAGE SALE
Sunday
August 26th
10 AM - 4 PM
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Around The Community



CKJF - Central Kentucky Jewish Federation (340 Romany Road, 268-0672, Marty Barr, President)

OZS - Ohavay Zion Synagogue (2048 Edgewater Court, 266-8050, Bennett Bayer, President)

Daily Minyan Mon.-Thurs. at 6:00 p.m.; Kabbalat Services Friday evening at 8:00 p.m., except the fourth Friday of the month at 6:00 p.m.;
Shabbat services Saturday at 9:45 a.m.

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

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

HAD - Lexington Chapter of Hadassah (Nancy Menard, President)

HAV - The Lexington Havurah, 272-1459 (Ernie Cohen, President)

Shabbat Services monthly. Call for schedule.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Building Habitat					Rachel Heller Bat Mitzvah at TAI	Rachel Heller Bat Mitzvah at TAI
June 3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Building Habitat			Jewish Family Service Meeting 6:30 p.m.		Heidi Zimmerman Bat Mitzvah at OZS Havurah Kabbalat Shabat at LTS 8 pm	Heidi Zimmerman Bat Mitzvah at OZS Young Leadership Program 8pm
Jewish Community Information Booth at the Ballpark 4:30-6:30 p.m. 10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Father's Day Trip to Huntington Museum Building Habitat "Not So Talmud" @ OZS 17	18	19	20	Leisure Club 11:45 a.m. at Malone's on Tates Creek 21	22	23
Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Annual Meeting 7:00 p.m. Building Habitat MSTYG Parents Meeting 6 pm 24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Building Habitat			Jewish Community Booth at the Ballpark			
July 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Building Habitat 8	9	10	11	12	13	Havurah Havdalah Under the Stars 8:30 pm 14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Board Meeting 25	26	27	28
29	Camp Shalom begins 30	31				

Ohavay Zion Synagogue News

**Alexandra Domatov
Bat Mitzvah
11 Sivan 5761
June 2, 2001**




 Saturday, June 2, 2001 at 10:00 a.m.
 Ohavay Zion Synagogue
 2048 Edgewater Court
 Lexington, Kentucky

 Gregory, Elena,
 Eugene, and Alexandra
 Domatov
 Kiddush luncheon following the service
 Alexandra will also lead Friday evening services at 8:00 p.m.

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*Rebecca Knight
Bat Mitzvah*



2 Tammuz 5761 - June 23, 2001

*Ohavay Zion Synagogue
joins together*

at 9:45am,

Saturday, June 23

as Rebecca Knight is called to the

Torah as a Bat Mitzvah.

Rebecca will also lead

The Friday Evening Service

June 22, at 8:00pm

End of Summer Rummage Sale

Sunday, August 26th

Mark your calendar
& start putting items aside now

SHABBAT SERVICES

JUNE

Friday Evening, 8:00 p.m.

Shabbat Morning, 9:45 a.m.

The last Friday of the month, June 30 will be a Mishpaha Shabbat at 6:00 p.m.

JULY

Friday Evening, 6:15 p.m.

Shabbat Morning, 9:45 a.m.

Please note that for the entire month of July, Friday night services will be at the earlier time of 6:15 p.m.

Youth Group King's Island Trip!

Lexington, Louisville and Cincinnati come together for a day of fun...

Sunday, June 10

7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

\$25 Including Lunch

Call the office at 266-8050 for more details

Rabbi Cohen's Installation!!!

Annual Congregational Meeting

Dessert Reception & Auction

Sunday, June 3rd

7:00 p.m.

Please Join Us for the Festivities!

OZS & USCJ Websites

Do you know that both of these sites have been newly redesigned?

Do you know that most of your questions can be answered by going to either site?

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OZS: <http://www.ozs.org>

USCJ: <http://www.uscj.org>

Temple Adath Israel News

ROLLIN'...ROLLIN'...ROLLIN' OUT THE TORAH

Torah Study Experience for TAI Kids
(ages: entering 4 year old class through entering 5th grade)

A day of studying Torah through various modalities including worship, music, art, storytelling, drama, cooking, Israeli Dance, and Jewish games

Dates: Friday, June 1st and Friday July 27th

Place: Temple Adath Israel

Time: 9:00 AM - noon (for entering 4 year old class)

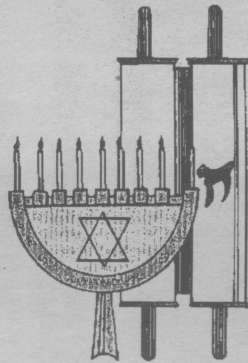
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (for children entering kindergarten through entering 5th grade)

COST: \$5.00/child (materials fee) per session

WHAT TO BRING: Sack lunch & drink
(Kindergarten - 5th grade only)

Rachel

We invite you to share
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Rachel Lauren



on Saturday, the ninth of June
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124 North Ashland Avenue
Lexington, Kentucky

Mindy & Jeff Heller

Kiddush Luncheon will follow the service

Rachel will also lead services Friday evening at
half past seven

Upcoming Events

Get an Education by Taking in MASTER CLASS

A small number of tickets have been set aside for TAI members to go to see the Actor's Guild production of the Tony award winning show MASTER CLASS on Saturday, June 16. We will meet at the theater at 7:30 for the 8 pm show.

Afterwards, we'll head to Portofino's for desserts. If you need transportation, call the Temple office and let us know. Tickets can be ordered by sending a check payable to TAI and a self-addressed stamped envelope to TAI to the attention of Toni Reiss. The deadline for receiving your order is June 5.

Film Club Now Forming

The film series this past year was fun, informative, and rewarding. If you would be interested in participating in a film club, now is your chance. The club will meet at various times and will view, discuss, and enjoy different films that are chosen.

If you would like to be a part of this new adventure, contact Fran Bloom at 223-8700 for more details.

My name is Rachel Heller and for my Mitzvah project for my Bat Mitzvah I am collecting items for the Dialysis Clinics in Lexington. I have a box in the Temple hallway where you can drop off your donated items. Items that are needed are:

paperback books	large print books
back scratchers	Dove soap
small pillows	small pill boxes
small packets/bottles Lubriderm	
light weight blankets	

"Stress" balls (for hand exercise)

Any help collecting these items for the Dialysis patients would be appreciated.

TRYB

Elections were held and the new officers began to learn their roles and responsibilities at a recent retreat. The officers are:

President	Alison Plavin
VP Education	
and Programming	Elizabeth Rosenberg
VP Social Action Programs	Damian Tapia
VP Religious and	
Cultural Program	Cody Lonsbury
Journalist	Sam Frankel
Treasurer	Zack Moscow
Senior Rep	Jeremy Gantz
Junior Reps	Josh Adland/Hart Cole
Sophomore Rep	Jason Heymann
Freshman Rep	To be elected in September

Watch your email and snail mail for information about summer events! TRYB will go to Kentucky Kingdom on May 30. All high school students (this includes those entering 9th grade) are invited to attend.

MSTYG

Parents met to begin to work on the schedule of events for the middle school youth group. A meeting for ALL PARENTS will be held at Janet Tamaren and Jeff Davidson's home on Sunday, June 24 at 6 PM. (Cold cuts will be provided; bring a side salad or dessert. RSVP to the Temple office by June 18). This meeting will help folks get to know one another and find ways to help foster our children's Jewish identity through Temple youth group programs. Please find time in your busy schedule to commit to helping the youth group in some small way. Parents are needed to plan, supervise and transport to events. If you cannot attend this meeting, call Toni Reiss at Temple and let her know how you can be involved.

FAFTY

Parent advisors Linda Gerall and Mary Engel have begun to schedule a year of fun activities and mitzvah projects for our fourth and fifth grade Temple youth. Please let them know activities you would like to help our children enjoy.

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