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RABBI SMITH RECEIVES THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD

**Lowell Nigoff: Recipient of the Volunteer of the Year Award
Bret Caller Recognized with Young Leadership Award**

Almost 60 people came together on June 19th for the CKJF Annual Meeting. President Stanley Saxe gave a report on the accomplishments of the Central Kentucky Jewish community over the past twelve months. The impressive list spanned such different areas as community-wide activities, social services provided through the Jewish Family Services, the growth of the Tikkun Lexington program, the continuing success of Camp Shalom, and the significant activity of the Community Relations Council as a pro-Israel advocate with the media and the significant improvement in communications thanks to our new



website. In addition to all these achievements, Stan also outlined some of the projects currently on the drawing board, including the second Community Concert for next fall. He also remarked that after almost two years of search, the Federation has finally moved to better office space at the Chinoe center. He especially recognized staff and volunteers for the collective effort that made all those achievements possible.

Executive Director Daniel Chejfec spoke of the challenges ahead, particularly the situation in Israel and the impact it is having in the daily lives of Israelis. He spoke of the Israel Emergency Fund and of the effort we all need to make to support the Jewish state, for the world today is very different more dangerous place from what it was before September 11th.

The President presented the awards to community members who have distinguished themselves over the years. The Young Leadership Award, given this year for the first time, recognizes a community member between the ages of 25 and 45 who has made significant contributions to Jewish life in Central Kentucky. The recipient of the 2002 Young Leadership Award is Bret Caller, who

demonstrated over the years his firm commitment to Jewish life. He has been involved for several years in the CKJF/UJC Community Campaign, he is a member of the National Young Leadership Cabinet of



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CKJF Sending First 25K to Israel Emergency Campaign

By now, we all know about the serious difficulties Israel is facing as a consequence of the senseless violence initiated by the Palestinian Authority. We also know of the woes of the Argentine Jewish community and how many of them are choosing, in spite of the violence, to resettle in the Jewish homeland. In the last issue of *Shalom* we told you about the United Jewish Communities Israel Emergency Fund, supported by all four main religious movements and a long list of national Jewish organizations.

Now, we, the Central Kentucky Jewish community, need to increase our commitment. In addition to our regular campaign to cover our local needs and our regular contribution to Israel, we are asking you to consider a onetime gift for the Emergency Fund. Money pledged for this second-line campaign is tracked completely separated from the Annual Campaign in very much the same way we tracked separately the collections for the Habitat Project last year. Every penny collected for the Emergency Fund is sent to Israel.

So what is the Emergency fund for? It covers very specific needs, above and beyond the normal social and resettlement we need to support through our regular overseas allocation: armored school busses and ambulances; psychological support for bombing survivors; help to families of bombing victims; help to the unemployed; and, of course, the resettlement of the Argentine Jews coming to Israel from a country in economic, social, and political collapse. Our regular allocation is mostly channeled

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Women's Division Draws Many to Learn about Middle East

Campaign Educational Event Exceeds Expectations

We had four resource speakers, not lecturers," said Rachel Belin, Co-Chair with Allison Caller of the program "Mid-East Crisis 101: A Lesson in the History and Politics of the Current Conflict" held in late June at Café Joseph Beth in Lexington. The event was sponsored by Women's Division of the United Jewish Communities/Central Kentucky

Jewish Federation 2002 Campaign.

"We wanted people to understand we have resources in this community", Belin said of the program which she described as an interactive one. "We wanted to frame this as a discussion".

The purpose was to help participants be more knowledgeable about the Arab-Israeli conflict and

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CONDOLENCES TO:

Susan Callor on the death of her mother, Betty Lieberman.
 Francine Chasen on the death of her mother, Robbie Chasen.
 Brian & Tammy Herishnow, on the death of Brian's grandmother, Eve Herishnow, on May 20, 2002.
 Renee & Cokie Hymson, on the death of Renee's aunt, Myrtle Fox, on June 5, 2002.
 Bob & Jeannette Sloat, on the death of Jeannette's mother, Marion House, on July 4, 2002.
 The family of Emilie Szekeley.
 Ada Wikler, on the death of her daughter, Norma Wikler, on May 29, 2002.

MAZEL TOV TO:

Josh & Penny Cantor on the birth of their son, Jason Louis, on June 28, 2002. Proud grandparents are Susan & Austin Cantor.
 Amy Crystal on her graduation from Washington University in St. Louis. She will be attending dental school at Harvard University in the fall. Amy is the daughter of Ralph & Elayne Crystal.
 Bill & Sue Ann Douglas, on the birth of their son Michael John Douglas, on June 9, 2002.
 Dr. Arlene Gerson, on her election as Vice-President of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation. Dr. Gerson is the daughter of Ken & Alberta Gerson.
 Hadass Gerson, on her graduation from Pikesville High School in Maryland. Hadass graduated with honors and is the granddaughter of Ken & Alberta Gerson.
 Bennet Goldstein, who was selected by Dartmouth College as the recipient of the Dartmouth Award for outstanding student of their choice in this region. Bennet is the son of Dr. Steven & Susan Goldstein.
 Judy & Stanley Saxe on the birth of their granddaughter, Olivia Constance, born to their daughter and son-in-law, Harriet Saxe and Nick Poolis.

Robyn Angel & Dan Sutch, on the birth of their daughter, Miriam Elizabeth Angel Sutch, on June 7, 2002.

REFUAH SHLEMAH (get well wishes):

Lucille Barnes
 Francine Chasen
 Evelyn Geller
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President's Message

by
 Stan Saxe

In this community we have completed another year for our Federation as marked by our annual meeting in June. The annual meeting reminds us that we live in a great Jewish community as we review the accomplishments of the past year. It also reminds us we face challenges ahead and we have to work harder to promote the well-being of our local community as well as Jewish communities all over the world including Israel.

Congratulations to award winners Rabbi H.D. Uriel (Uri) Smith for his receiving the President's Award, to Lowell Nigoff for being selected Volunteer of the Year, and to Bret Callor on receiving the Young Leadership Award. They exemplify what makes this a great community.

Congratulations to Women's Division, led by Harriet Cooper, of the UJC/CKJF Campaign 2002 and especially to Rachel Belin and Allison Callor for promoting learning about the background of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Congratulations to our Camp Shalom Committee, led by Lisa Miller, for its planning and innovation and to our Camp Shalom staff, led by Kathy Feinberg, for its dedication and great effort.

Congratulations to Alan Stein, our UJC/CKJF

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Visiting Tashkent, Home To My Memories

by Elena R. Domatov

Now my home is Lexington, KY, where my husband, Gregory, my children Eugene and Alexandra, and I immigrated in 1994. Before, we lived in Tashkent, a city of two million people and the capital of Uzbekistan. We lived in Uzbekistan when the world was divided by the Cold War and when the Soviet Union ruled Uzbekistan from distant Moscow. The Soviet influence on Uzbekistan was positive in many critical domains, but at a high cost to Uzbek culture. With the dissolution of the Soviet system in the early 1990s, the Uzbek people and government were anxious to reclaim and reassert Uzbek cultural identity.

A long awaited

independence was welcomed by Uzbeks, who comprised 80% of the population of over 25 million people in Uzbekistan (July 2001). The rest of the population were: Russian 5.5%; Tajik 5%; Kazakh 3%; Karakalpak 2.5%; Tatar 1.5%; and other cultural groups, including Jews, made up 2.5% of the total population (1996). The President of independent Uzbekistan, Islam Karimov, was determined that only "a firm hand" could be effective during the transitional stage to further the

majority culture agenda, and maintain stability. That time was marked by mass emigration of nonindigenous people, who could not feel in Uzbekistan at home any more.

My family and I, among other families, was part of this migration. Jewish families wishing to emigrate were assisted by various Jewish organizations and communities. My family was privileged to be sponsored by the Lexington Jewish community, who gave us the chance to live in the "land of opportunity." I would like to express endless gratitude for

"Jews are a collection of the events, people, and places..."

Rabbi Adland—the spiritual leader of Temple Adath Israel of Lexington, KY

the care and concern, the lifelong mitzvah of this community, and for the future of our children. Thank all of you, who made a new home for us in Lexington.

There is a saying that proved to be true with me: "One never leaves a place without leaving part of oneself behind." All these years, since we emigrated, I have been thinking about Tashkent, about those whom I left behind. I was always looking for chances to stay connected to and informed about

Uzbekistan, and to inform others about it. I chose topics related to

Uzbekistan for papers on political science while I studied at the Patterson School; did research on the Tashkent market for

security products during my business internship with Galls, Inc.; regularly contacted UK students from Tashkent; co-founded a nonprofit organization, InterCultural Connections, Inc., whose caring mission was expanded to Uzbekistan. Although Tashkent and its people are thousands miles away we stayed connected.

Immigration expanded my vision of the world, and a vision of my personal mission has been shaped during the years of living in Lexington community, study and work at the University of Kentucky. I still enjoy the present made by UK professor Elizabeth Schulman on the day of my graduation ceremony – gift-offer – a position of

see **Visiting Tashkent**, page 18



Local Internet Polling Added to CKJF Website

As our community website continues to present outstanding features (see article on the website on page 17), it is also providing new venues for people to share their opinions. First, in case you missed it, we have a new "poll" section. Granted that any kind of poll run on the Internet is definitely not scientific, but it does give us a good idea of where people stand, so we can better represent the voice of the community. How do we select the questions for the poll? So far we have been creating the questions ourselves, but we would love to have your questions to submit to the community. The first poll was on the issue of "the fence": After much internal debate, Israel Prime Minister Sharon and Defense Minister Ben-Eliezer approved the building of a security fence between Israel and the West Bank. The fence, presented as the response to an urgent need for separation, was not without detractors in Israel and abroad. We wanted to know what the Jewish community of Central Kentucky felt about the issue, and we found that 88 % of those who responded supported the building of the fence; less than 1 % opposed it and 11 % were undecided.

For the second week, we picked up on another issue – once the Palestinian elections take place in January of 2003, should Israel immediately resume negotiations with the newly elected authorities? 43% responded yes, 25% responded no and 31% were undecided.

But polls are still polls, and we want to know more than that from you. That is why we opened a Bulletin Board where you can post your reactions to a weekly question or to comments of other community members. It is important that we listen to each other and that we acknowledge each other's opinions. So jump in, log into website and vote in the poll of the week. Then click to the Bulletin Board and tell us what you think...

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Israel and World Jewry at the Crossroads

By Daniel Chejfec, Executive Director
 Central Kentucky Jewish Federation

The current situation of the state of Israel and the Jewish world has been compared to that which existed in the 1930s in Europe, but there are many differences. First, the world we live in today is more dangerous than the world that existed then. Today battles are not fought on the frontlines and the targets are not soldiers. Today we live in a world where the fight is in our backyard and a plane can be used as a bomb to destroy over 3000 lives in one morning.

It is in that dangerous world that Israel is faced with situations unheard of before. With unemployment skyrocketing because of the collapse of the tourist industry and the global recession, Israel still needs to ensure the safety of kindergartens, grammar schools, discotheques, and shopping centers. Israelis think twice about taking a bus ride or letting their teenage kids go to the movies in downtown Tel-Aviv. A homicide bomber can strike anywhere, anytime. Yet the Israeli government is making every humanly possible effort to ensure the safety of its citizens.

Moreover, world Jewry is also facing critical situations. The sixth largest Jewish community in the world is facing the economic collapse of Argentina and a climate of political instability. One out of five Jews live today under the poverty line in Argentina, and over 10,000 Argentinean Jewish families are living in shantytowns because they cannot afford housing. In the past few months, over 6,000 Argentinean Jews began the process of "Aliyah" by opening their files at the Jewish Agency. In spite of its own difficulties, Israel is living up to its role as a safe haven for Jews.

In Europe, antisemitism is on the rise. In France, where about 12 % of the population is made up of North-African immigrants, it took three months of mobs burning synagogues for French politicians to notice that "antisemitism is becoming a serious problem in France." In Scandinavia, supermarkets label produce from Israel (and only from Israel) so

customers will know they are supporting the Jewish economy. When a manager was asked about it, his answer was that "many of our customers are pro-Palestinian, and we want them to know what they are buying." Labor unions, once strong supporters of Israel, pushed for a commercial boycott of Israeli products throughout the European Union.

In America, Jewish students were mobbed at San Francisco University. The episode, reported very briefly in American newspapers, moved the president of the university to state that the episode was the worst case of hate he has seen in all his years as an educator. In many campuses across North America, Jewish students are

becoming increasingly under siege, and anti-Israel activists are asking for "divestment from

In Europe, antisemitism is on the rise.

Israel" and cutting of academic and scientific ties with the Jewish State. Most cases of physical attacks on Jewish students are going unreported by the media because they happen on campus. In our own backyard, during a recent edition of "Issues at Large" on channel 18, a local Imam of Palestinian origin stated, referring to a question about targeting of civilians by Palestinian terrorists, that "everybody in Israel is in the military; there are no civilians."

When Kofi Annan was running to become elected Secretary General of the United Nations, he stated that "The UN has a history of serving all the people of this planet but one, the Jewish people. I want to change that." Several years later, the United Nations condemned Israel for the "massacre of civilians in Jenin," two days before the commission investigating the battle concluded that there was no massacre.

As American Jews we need to support Israel. Our American side tells us that Israel is a democracy fighting against a coalition of dictators who care little or nothing about their own people or each other, and who become allies on only one issue: to destroy Israel. Israel has been and continues to be the steadiest ally the United States ever had

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Holocaust Survivor Helps Local Teachers Face History

by Rachel Belin

Holocaust survivor, Charlene Schiff, recently made a trip from Alexandria, Virginia to address 20 Lexington teachers in an intensive summer institute sponsored by the Fayette County Public Schools.

Schiff, a resource speaker for the National Holocaust Memorial Museum, told teachers of her ordeal as a teenager who hid alone in the woods of what is now the Ukraine for two-and-a-half years to escape Nazi torment. She came to bear witness to the fact that of the 5,000 Jews in her village of Horochow, only two—herself included—had survived the genocide. She implored the teachers to use the lessons of the Holocaust to help their students put September 11 into context and understand how hateful thinking can lead to hateful action.

Although Schiff speaks to groups nationwide, she expressed gratitude for the opportunity to address local educators. "The Lexington teachers asked meaningful questions, and I admired the fact that they voluntarily devote their time to this subject. I came away with a very positive feeling," Schiff said.

Schiff's visit was a boon to her cousin and host, Susan Caller, who has known Schiff her entire life but had never before heard her speak publicly about her youth. "Charlene says she speaks out of obligation and as a way to handle her survivor's

guilt, and it is amazing that she can channel all that suffering and loss into such a profoundly constructive mission," Caller said.

Schiff's address was part of an institute designed by Facing History and Ourselves, a Boston-based nonprofit that uses the Holocaust and other case studies of mass injustice to engage students in

an examination of intolerance and promote the development of a more humane and informed citizenry. Over the last two years, the program has been shepherd into Kentucky schools by the Humanitarium, a local nonprofit led by Gloria Rie that is committed to celebrating and supporting human diversity.

On Marking the Coming of Age of Our Grandson Zachary Jon Charney Cohen

Gail and Ernie Cohen

In May we traveled to Rehovot, Israel where we enjoyed the enormous pleasure of celebrating the Bar Mitzvah of our grandson, Zachary Jon Charney Cohen. On Saturday, May 25, 2002, Zack marked his Bar Mitzvah. Those of you who remember Zack, who left Lexington as a six year-old, will be surprised to learn that he has reached this milestone. Zack and his parents, Sara and Alex Charney Cohen, his sister, Charly, and baby brother, Jared, are living in Israel while on a three-year assignment with the company for which Alex works. Zack and his family belong to Congregation Adat Shalom Emmanuel, a small congregation affiliated with the Conservative movement. The synagogue is a short walk from their home. Their Rabbi is originally from Argentina, and speaks Hebrew, Spanish and English extremely well. The service was, of course, conducted entirely in Hebrew, but with occasional page numbers being mentioned in English. This was not only for the benefit of his family but also the many non-Jewish friends attending. Zack was called to the Torah and chanted parts of the Torah reading in addition to the Haftarah reading. It is interesting to note that in Israel that weekend the Torah portion was Behaalotekha with the Haftarah reading of Zechariah, not Parsha Naso with Haftarah Judges, as it was here in the United States. In Israel, the Parshiot occasionally vary from the rest of the world as the result of the number of days holidays

are celebrated there. Zack's parents chose that weekend so Zack could read the Haftarah of his namesake. It was also the Saturday immediately prior to his English birthday.

It was very special to have a Lexington connection in attendance at this service. Judy and Stanley Saxe and Jeff Moosnick (son of Marilyn and Franklin Moosnick) joined us to celebrate this very special occasion.

Zack was again called to the Torah at the Kotel (the Western Wall) in Jerusalem later that week. This was a beautiful Thursday, with the sun shining and warm. We sang and danced with the Torah to celebrate this rite of passage.

It was a unique and special Jewish experience to be in Israel at this time. One reads much in the media about terrible events that take place there. But, life goes on. Adults go to work, children go to school and life cycle events continue to take place. We felt confident that the events we went to participate in would be wonderful and not affected by the political situation, and they were.

Zack and his family will be visiting here in Lexington during the second full week of August. His Bar Mitzvah will again be marked with a service to be conducted by the Lexington Havurah on Saturday, August 17. This service will be held at the Lexington Theological Seminary Fellowship Hall, 631 South Limestone, at 10:00 AM.



TEACHING TOLERANCE: Holocaust survivor, Charlene Schiff (right), is flanked by her husband, Ed Schiff and her cousin, Susan Caller, outside Henry Clay High School.



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Camp Shalom's theme for 2002 is
'The Environment & Jewish Life'



OUR MOST IMPORTANT TRUST

By the time this article reaches your hands, Camp Shalom will be in session and the theme for this year's camp is the environment. Why the environment?—because of the Jewish imperative to take care of all living things (Tza'ar Ba'alei Chaim) and the ongoing task to improve the world (Tikkun Olam). Both ideas are connected, for we need a natural environment for life to flourish. The destruction of the ozone layer, global warming, or chemical pollution are issues that Judaism cannot overlook. We need to do what we can to have the largest impact we can have in protecting our environment. Many would say, what can we really do? Let me tell you a story that many of you might know, but it seems very appropriate in this context.

Two friends are walking down a beach and they

see thousands of starfish lying on the sand. One of them makes a comment about what a shame it is, and how it would be impossible to save them, and how impotent he felt for not being able to make a difference for all those fish lying on the ground. His friend bends over, picks up one starfish and throws it back into the sea. Then he turns to his friend and says "It made a difference for that one." If we all do what we can, the planet will heal and we will make it a better place and closer to the ideals of Tikkun Olam.

We do not really own this planet—remember Genesis? When Adam and Eve are created and entrusted with the task of "tending to the Garden"? We are trustees of the world; we receive it from our parents and keep it for the next generation, but we do not own it. If we fail in our task, we bear the

responsibility for our failures—every species that goes extinct, any pool of water that becomes contaminated.

Here in Kentucky we are facing a serious situation. Not only are some species extinct requiring human intervention to repopulate the state, such as the black bears who once were kings in the Kentucky forest. Other problems are waterways pollution, depletion and contamination of drinking water sources, unsupervised landfills, and so many other problems. But like the person in the story, we can start by saving one starfish, or cleaning one wooded area, or adopting one mile of highway, or planting one tree as our campers will do this summer.

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September 7 - 10:00 AM

Rosh Hashanah
at Lexington Public Library - Room A, 140 East Main Street

September 8 - 10:00 AM

Rosh Hashanah
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September 8 - 5:30 PM

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at Home of Beth Goldstein & Rafi Finkel, 2942 Montavesta Road

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Fall/Winter Calendar for Leisure Club

By Fran Morris, Director of Jewish Family Services

Our Leisure Club Planning Committee met in June to discuss ideas for programming for the fall and winter. We have decided on some exciting activities and hope all new and old Leisure Club members will join us. On August 15 we will have lunch at Café Jennifer at 12:15 pm. Lunch will be dutch treat. On September 26, we will be traveling by van to Louisville to spend the day at the Speed Art Museum. We will leave Lexington at approximately 10 am and arrive back in town at approximately 4:30 pm. On October 17, we are planning to be entertained by the students of the SCAPA's music program, time and place to be announced. On December 5, we will have the annual Leisure Club Hanukkah party with local musical entertainment. We will also be joined by the Louisville seniors from the JCC, as our special guests. Check out future issues of *Shalom* for updates on these events, and reminder cards will be sent in the mail before each event. If you would like to receive a reminder card for Leisure Club, please call Fran at 269-8244 or send an email to jfs@jewishlexington.org.



Central Kentucky Jewish Federation's LEISURE CLUB



UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

July 25, 2002	Bingo & Pizza at OZS at 12:15 pm
August 15, 2002	Lunch at Cafe Jennifer at 12:15 pm
September 26, 2002	Speed Art Museum, leave Lex. at 10:00 am
October 17, 2002	SCAPA Concert time, date and place TBA
December 5, 2002	Annual Hanukkah Party, at TAI at 12:15 pm

Rabbi Smith (from front page)

the United Jewish Communities, he has taken a leadership role in promoting Young Leadership in our area, and most recently he played a key role in identifying and securing new offices for the Federation.

The Volunteer of the Year Award was presented by the vote of the Board of Directors. This was the second year that this award was presented, and the recipient is Lowell Nigoff, who served as an officer and vice-president of CKJF over the past year and took a leadership role in revamping the personnel policies and procedures of the organization. As a crowning feather in his cap, he led the committee which renewed our community website which he continues to monitor and oversee.

The most prestigious award, the President's Award, is given at the President's discretion to a candidate who has demonstrated long-term involvement in and commitment to Central Kentucky's Jewish life. This year's President Award went to Rabbi Uriel Smith. Rabbi Smith has been actively involved in many capacities over many years. His most recent, ongoing efforts involve serving the Jewish population in Kentucky jails and teaching Judaism to non-Jews. He continues to lead special Torah study sessions and is a strong advocate for the community in interfaith forums such as the Lexington Dialogue. As Chairman of the Community Relations Council, he also represents the community at the Central Kentucky Committee for Peace and Justice. Under his leadership the CRC has significantly improved the visibility of the community, and served as a proactive voice on behalf of the Jewish community and Israel.

At the annual meeting, CKJF also elected new board members and acknowledged those who finished their terms on the Board of Directors. Lowell Nigoff and Deborah Isenstadt, who were responsible for the restoring of Camp Shalom in 2000, finished their terms. The Board will miss their active contributions.

Phil Berger, Ginger Knight, Gloria Rie and Gail Cohen were re-elected for a second three-year term and Steve Kesten was elected for a one-year term. We are all looking forward to the next twelve months of support and promotion of Jewish life in Central Kentucky.

Past Award Recipients:

President's Award

2000 : Leon Cooper and Ellie Goldman
2001 : Sue Ezrine and Judy Levine

Volunteer of the Year Award

2001 : Ruth Poley and Aviva Bowling



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Rabbi Sharon Cohen

Rabbi's Corner Shabbat Aboard the Space Shuttle

Time to test your knowledge of Jewish Trivia (or play Jewpardy!):

Can you name the Jewish baseball player who refused to play baseball on Yom Kippur? (Baseball enthusiasts know that it is Sandy Koufax)

Can you name the first Jew to be placed on the American Presidential ticket? (Of course, it is Senator Joe Lieberman)

Can you name the first Israeli astronaut to travel on the Space Shuttle?

This last answer might not yet be common knowledge! As of this writing, Col. Ilan Ramon will become the first Israeli astronaut to fly in space. He joins the crew of the Space Shuttle Columbia that was scheduled to lift off from Cape Canaveral on July 19th.

Col. Ramon has stated that he is not particularly religious, but believes that as Israel's first astronaut, he has a higher duty to consider. "I feel I am representing all Jews and all Israelis," he said. Daphna Venyige, an ABC News Correspondent in Israel wondered: How should Col. Ramon, and any future observant Jews, observe Kashrut, daily prayer, Shabbat, and festivals while in space?

What a wonderfully intriguing question! Until now, Jewish scholars have considered this situation only as an exercise done for the sake of knowledge, not for application. With Col. Ramon's blast off into space, a new step in the evolution of Jewish law must be taken.

For an answer to this very challenging situation, Daphna Venyige interviewed the Masorti (Conservative) scholar, Rabbi David Golinkin, a highly respected authority on halakha (Jewish law) in Israel. (As of this writing, the interview, which was done for "ABC Nightly News with Peter Jennings," has not yet aired.) Following the interview, Rabbi Golinkin, in the tradition of halakhic decision-making begun generations ago, wrote a Teshuva - a formal written responsum to address the issues concerning the observance of prayer, Shabbat, holidays, and kashrut while in space.

In his Teshuva, Rabbi Golinkin first examines this conundrum as any good Rabbi would: by looking at the theological aspects of space travel. What does theology have to do with Col. Ramon's travels in space? Rabbi Golinkin points out that as Jews, we understand God to be the ultimate Creator, not just of Earth, but also of the entire universe. Therefore, theology plays a large role in our quest to seek out the mysteries of the heavens.

We know from the Tower of Babel story that the human being's attempt to reach the heavens (to reach God) had tragic consequences. Rabbi Golinkin points out, that throughout the ages, rabbis have distinguished between the human being's insatiable desire for knowledge and exploration and the desire to challenge God - to be God - as with the Tower of Babel. Thus, he concludes that space travel is permitted as long as the motive is research and investigation and not to challenge God's authority in the universe. We might easily say that Col. Ramon's motive is certainly the former and not the latter.

What about keeping kosher in space? This is any easy one for, as Rabbi Golinkin points out, kosher "ready-to-eat" meals are already available for use in the army. NASA should have no problem securing these meals should Col. Ramon require

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them.

Finally, Rabbi Golinkin tackles the issue of prayer and Shabbat while in space. There is a joke about a Jewish astronaut who returns to earth exhausted. When asked what happened, he replied, "Shaharit, minha, ma'ariv, shaharit, minha, ma'ariv!" Since spaceships orbit the earth about every ninety minutes, each orbit might be considered a "day," just as the earth's rotation as it travels around the sun constitutes a 24-hour day. An observant astronaut would then spend most of his/her time praying the morning, afternoon, and evening prayers. Not only that, after every 6 orbits (or about 9 hours) s/he would have to observe Shabbat for the length of an orbit (about 90 minutes). If Col. Ramon followed this understanding of time, he would not only be exhausted, he would have no chance to do his job!

To find an answer, Rabbi Golinkin studied the opinions of rabbis from many different places and time periods. Certainly, their opinions varied! One rabbi suggests that, in a place in which the sun doesn't set for months, one would not be required to observe Shabbat at all. Another concluded that a Jew simply shouldn't live in such a place. Some more modern authorities state that Col. Ramon should be relieved of his religious obligations completely since he will not be experiencing Earth time. One rabbinic authority in Netanya even says that Col. Ramon should, indeed, follow time based on the Shuttle's orbit around the earth, and thus, consider every 90 minutes to be one day.

Rabbi Golinkin rightly objects to such an impractical opinion. Jewish law does not operate in the extreme, but must incorporate common sense and the realities of life as well. He also refutes the idea that Col. Ramon should be exempt from his

halakhic obligations of prayer and Shabbat observance simply because he is up in space. Rabbi Golinkin concludes that a Jew in space would need to select a local earth time to follow. Just as is often the case when one travels to Alaska, for instance, and must find a time to begin Shabbat even when the sun hasn't set, a Jewish astronaut would need to find a "home base" time by which to set his/her watch. Since all astronauts set their watches according to local time at Mission Control in Houston, Texas, Col. Ramon could easily do the same and count the hours and days based on Texas time. It might seem quite arbitrary to choose a time zone to follow; however, the Rabbis of the Talmud discussed such an instance generations ago. They taught (Shabbat 69b): a person lost in the desert who doesn't know when Shabbat is should count six days and then observe Shabbat. When normal time divisions don't exist, adopt a method that will allow you to observe Shabbat after six 24-hour days.

In the end, I don't know if Col. Ramon was concerned about praying, observing Shabbat, or eating kosher meals during his time on the Shuttle, and if so, if he followed Rabbi Golinkin's ruling. What I do know is that his mission into space has allowed us to see that Jewish Law is far from outdated or extinct. Even as we travel through the heavens we can, indeed, remain firmly grounded in the beauty and richness of our Jewish Tradition.

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

Crossroads (from page 4)

and for good reasons: a shared well of ethical and social values which make the preservation of life, the respect for minorities, and individual freedoms the backbone of both Israeli and American societies. Our Jewish side is more visceral - Israel has always been there for us, and it has fulfilled its role as a safe haven for Jewish refugees from post-Holocaust Europe, from the expulsion from Arab countries, from the social upheaval following the fall of the Soviet Union, from starvation in Ethiopia, and

*As American Jews we
need to support Israel.*

many more situations. More important - Israel is the fulfillment of a 2000 year Jewish dream.

We are at yet another crossroads in Jewish history. Israel and world Jewry need our help. The United Jewish Communities, as the umbrella organization for Jewish life across North America, established an Israel Emergency Fund and we are committed to contribute to it as a community.

The choice is ours, we can either step up to the plate today, or find out a way to justify our action when we look at the mirror tomorrow.

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ASK JFS ABOUT... Local Activities for Seniors

Ask JFS About... is a monthly advice column with questions from members of the community requiring assistance with a wide range of issues. If you have a problem or a concern that you would like addressed in this Shalom column, please send your queries to: Ask JFS c/o Jewish Family Services, 1050 Chinoe Road, Suite 203, Lexington, KY 40502. You can also call in your confidential questions at 269-8244 or email them to us at jfs@jewishlexington.org.

Dear JFS,

I am thinking of having my 75-year-old mother move to Lexington to be closer to the rest of her family. Although she is a senior, she is very active and she has informed me that she won't move here unless there are lots of stimulating activities for her to get involved in. Do you know what is available and how I can get some more information on activities for seniors?

Sincerely,
Son of Active Senior

Dear Son,

Tell your mom to pack her bags because there is lots for her to do in Lexington. First of all, tell your mom about Leisure Club - the senior citizens group sponsored by CKJF. This group meets once a month to socialize and listen to speakers or entertainment. The cost per event is minimal or free. This would be a wonderful way to meet some nice folks in the Jewish community and a good start to life in Lexington. Please see ads for Leisure Club in this and upcoming issues of Shalom.

Next, I would call the Lexington Senior Citizen's Center at 278-6072, to get on their mailing list of their monthly activities. There is a lot to choose from at the center, from art and pottery classes to fitness instruction to special tours and trips.

Many seniors in our community also participate in the Donovan Scholars Program at the University of Kentucky. This program enables people aged 65 and older to enroll in courses for credit or audit, with no charge for tuition. There is also the Donovan Forum, a series of educational lectures.

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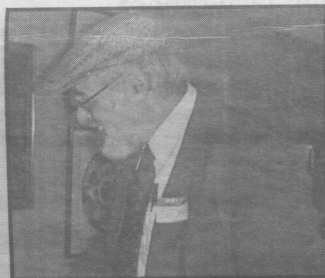
I hope this will be a good start for helping your mom become acquainted with the Lexington community. Please contact me if you would like to discuss other possibilities for more activities specific to your mother's needs, or if you need some other assistance during your family's transition. I can be reached at 269-8244 or jfs@jewishlexington.org.

Sincerely, JFS

Tikkun Lexington Thanks Volunteers

by Fran Morris, Director of Jewish Family Services

On the morning of June 2, 2002, the Tikkun Lexington program of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation held a brunch to honor volunteers. Specifically, our goal



Rabbi Smith shares a laugh before speaking to the group.

was to thank volunteers for all their hard work, as well as to inspire newcomers to begin volunteering with this program.

Tikkun mitzvah tasks range from visiting the sick in hospitals, to baking or cooking a meal for someone in need, to hosting a new family for Shabbat dinner. All the Tikkun tasks were available for sign-up at



the event, as well as a description of each task to read and take home.

While we noshed on bagels, lox, and fruit, we listened to some speakers about the importance of Tikkun Olam and about the difference even one small act can make to a needy individual. Our thanks go to the speakers: Rabbi Uriel Smith, Barbara Grossman, and Judi Oer, who shared their insights with us and helped to inspire us to begin a new Mitzvah task, as well as to continue our current efforts. Special thanks go to the Tikkun Steering Committee and all those who helped prepare and cleanup so that the rest of us were able to enjoy a wonderful program.

If you would like to volunteer with Tikkun



Barbara Grossman (left) and Judi Oer enjoy their lunch before speaking to the group.



Barbara Barr (left) and Cookie Weneker make sure everyone signs in and gets a raffle ticket.



Participants visit the buffet table.

Participants gather at the sign-in booth.

Jewish Singles Celebrate Summertime

On June 23, 2002, the Lexington Jewish Singles group met to have some fun in the sun. The Rabbit Run Clubhouse was the perfect setting for a pool and games party. In addition to the 15 or so local singles who came out, several out of towners joined us that day as well. The other cities represented were Louisville, Cincinnati, and Dayton. As you can see from the photos, there was a lot of laughter while we swam, ate, and played some board games. The favorite was the game, Taboo, in which the lady's team triumphed over the men's team.

The next event for the Lexington Jewish Singles group is going to be a boat ride on the Kentucky River on August 25, 2002. We are chartering the



Who knew that music trivia could be so much fun?

Gabriella Pessah and LisaMarie Price schmooze by the pool.



From left: Aaron Yelowitz, Wendy Katz, Michael Ravenwood and Jeannette Garber relax in the clubhouse.

boat for this group and will serve dinner during the tour, as the trip will be from 6 pm to 8 pm. Stay tuned to your email for final details including cost and carpool information. Also, mark your calendars for October 6, 2002, as we are planning a day trip to go whitewater rafting on the Kentucky River. Further details to be announced.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Lexington Jewish Singles group or would just like some more information, feel free to call Jewish Family Services at 269-8244 or send an email to jfs@jewishlexington.org.

JFS Represented at Local Conference

*By Fran Morris, Director
Jewish Family Services*

From July 8-10, 2002, I was delighted to attend the 19th Annual Summer Series on Aging Conference, sponsored by the University of Kentucky Sanders-Brown Center on Aging. This conference provides a national forum for social workers, nurses, therapists, and others in the helping professions, to learn about the newest and best practices in the field of aging services. Since my educational background is in gerontology, and a large number of the people I work with in my job are older adults, this conference was of particular interest to me.

So many of the program session topics were relevant to my current position that I had a hard time choosing to attend just one session per time period. However, I must have chosen well, because all of the sessions I attended were dynamic and engaging, both in content and in presentation. Some of the sessions I really enjoyed included topics such as: Senior Housing: Challenges and Best Practices Across the Spectrum; Financial Exploitation: A Profile of Perpetrators, Their Victims and Their Scams; Listening to Many Voices—Serving a Diverse Aging Population; and Working With the Media—How to Get the Word Out, to just name a few.

I am excited to put into practice some of the things I have learned over the course of this conference. I now also know other professionals in the field of aging services that I can call upon when necessary to seek assistance. I am looking forward to attending next year's Summer Series on Aging, and I would be happy to talk further about my experiences with anyone who is interested. I can be reached at 269-8244 or via email at jfs@jewishlexington.org.

Singles' Success Story



Gabriella Pessah and Adam Benson

On December 22, 2002, Gabriella Pessah and Adam Benson will be married, in Boca Raton, Florida. Gabriella and Adam met last May at a Singles event in Lexington, sponsored by Jewish Family Services of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. Adam currently lives in Louisville and works at Channel 32 news, while Gabriella has made Lexington her home for the past four years and has worked at the University of Kentucky's Counseling and Testing Center as a clinical psychologist.

When the Singles group was founded in the fall of 2000, some said such a group would never work in Lexington. I think Gaby and Adam would disagree. Since its inception, the Singles group has grown in number and, to date, can boast connecting three couples. The purpose of the group is to provide a casual and warm atmosphere for single Jews, regardless of affiliation, to meet each other and socialize. Events usually center around celebrating the Jewish holidays, which is especially nice for single people who may have no family nearby and have not affiliated with any of the other local Jewish organizations. When possible, the group invites single Jews from other communities such as Louisville and Cincinnati to join us in Lexington and, currently, joint singles' programming with several other cities is being planned.



As I explore the world of Sephardic cooking, it is great fun to discover Jewish food traditions, different from the ones I know from my Ashkenazic family.

Claudia Roden, author of *The Book of Jewish Food*, grew up in Egypt, and at Rosh Hashonah ate fresh or dried black-eyed peas as a symbol of abundance and fruitfulness. Other communities eat chickpeas, rice, couscous and sesame seeds. Just the way the round challah symbolizes our hope for a year that will be full and rounded, in North Africa it is common to serve meatballs, green peas, chickpeas and round pastries. Fish, too, is a symbol of fruitfulness, and the head of a fish is a symbol of "coming out ahead."

In her *International Jewish Cookbook*, Faye Levy writes that the prophet Nehemiah is thought to have introduced the ancient Israelites to the Persian custom of eating something sweet to celebrate the new year. Today honey cakes, challah with raisins, and other sweet foods are popular Rosh Hashonah foods, as well as carrots, sweet potatoes, and winter squash. Carrots also represent hope for a prosperous year because carrot slices resemble gold coins. The custom of dipping apples in honey, as we ask God to bless us with a sweet year, is widespread. Some North African families dip the honeyed apple slices in toasted sesame seeds, for a year of both sweetness and abundance. Some cooks go to the extreme and avoid ingredients that are sharp, sour, or bitter—such as vinegar or lemon or tamarind—and foods that are black—no black olives or chocolate. Only green olives are eaten, and instead of the region's strong black coffee, mint and green teas are the beverages of choice. Sephardic Jews also place great emphasis on eating a variety of green vegetables and herbs to symbolize a new beginning and a year with plenty of produce.

All in all, with the emphasis on grains and vegetables, it's easy to include traditional and healthy foods in your holiday menu plans. Shana Tova u' Metukah - May you have a good and sweet year.

Honey & Spice Cake

20 servings

Preparation tip: Freezes well.

Ingredients:

- 3 eggs plus 2 egg whites (or 4 eggs)
- 1 cup brown sugar, packed
- 1/3 cup canola oil
- 1 1/4 cup honey
- 3 cups all-purpose flour (you can use part whole wheat)
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon ground allspice
- 3/4 cup cold tea or coffee
- 1/4 cup brandy or orange juice

B'tay Avon

A Holiday of Many Traditions

by Judy Baumann

- 1/2 cup raisins, rinsed and well drained
- 1/2 cup dried apricots, cut up
- optional: 1/2 cup chopped walnuts or pecans
- powdered sugar, for garnish

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Spray a 10" Bundt pan with non-stick spray. Combine dry ingredients and spices.
2. In a food processor, beat eggs, egg whites, sugar and oil until light. Add honey; mix well. Add dry ingredients alternately with tea and brandy, ending with dry ingredients. Mix just until blended. By hand, stir in raisins, apricots and nuts. Pour batter into pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 1 hour and 15 minutes or until a cake tester (broom straw or wooden skewer) comes out dry. Remove from oven, place on cake rack and let cool for 20 minutes. Loosen cake from pan with a flexible spatula or plastic knife; carefully invert onto a serving platter or cake rack.

Adapted from Meal Leani Yumm! By Norene Gillet

Italian-Style Fish in Tomato Garlic Sauce

4 main course servings or 6-8 starters

Preparation tips: This is a Sephardic alternative to the traditional first course gefilte fish. It can be served either hot or cold, as a starter. As a main course, serve with rice or pasta.

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 pounds firm fish fillets, such as halibut, about 1-inch thick
- 4 tablespoons olive oil
- 1/3 cup finely chopped onion
- 3 medium garlic cloves, minced
- 1 1/2 pounds ripe tomatoes, peeled, seeded, and pureed; or 1 28-ounce and 1 14-ounce can plum tomatoes, drained and pureed. (To peel tomatoes, bring water to a boil in a small saucepan, place



cored tomatoes in the boiling water for just a minute or two, until the skin appears to split. With a slotted spoon, remove the tomatoes from the pot and cool slightly.)

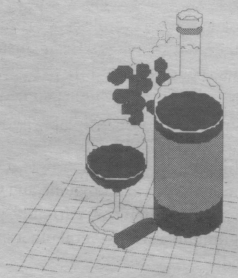
- 2 tablespoons fresh oregano leaves, chopped or 1/2 teaspoon dried leaf oregano
- salt and pepper to taste
- garnish: 3 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley, preferably flat-leaf

Directions:

1. In a large sauté pan or skillet, heat 3 tablespoons oil, add onion, and sauté over medium heat for 5 to 6 minutes or until onion begins to turn golden, stirring frequently. Add garlic and sauté 30 seconds. Add tomatoes, oregano, salt and pepper and cook over medium-high heat, stirring often, about 8 to 10 minutes or until thick. (Sauce can be kept covered for 1 day in refrigerator. Reheat in sauté pan before continuing.)
2. Add fish on one layer to hot sauce and sprinkle with 1 tablespoon oil, salt and pepper. Cover and cook over medium-low heat, spooning sauce over fish from time to time, (add a small amount of water if sauce seems too thick), about 10 minutes or until thickest part of fish has changed color inside when checked with a sharp knife. Undercooked is translucent; cooked fish should be opaque white. Taste sauce and adjust seasonings. Stir parsley gently into sauce. Serve fish hot or cold.

Judy is a registered dietician who has written food columns for several publications.

Join the Lexington Jewish Singles Group for a Boat Ride on the Kentucky River!



When: Sunday, August 25, 2002

Time: 6-8 pm

Place: Shaker Landing, Harrodsburg, KY

Cost: \$20 - includes boat trip and dinner

RSVP: 269-8244 or jfs@jewishlexington.org

Stay tuned to your email for further details...

Welcome to Community Calendar online.

Last month we introduced you to the new CKJF community website. Now let us familiarize you with some of its best features. Each month we will introduce you to a new section of www.jewishlexington.org, what you'll find, what it can do, how to do it, and the various ways you can manipulate it to work for you. But for now, let's find out about the Community Calendar.

What should you expect to see? Above is a sample of what the button you click to go to the 'Community Calendar' page looks like. This section is most impressive. It includes listings for all congregations programs, holidays, national days of observance, and To Watch the Clock Days. The community calendar has been designed to be just that, a calendar for the whole community. From here you can also search for an event, or suggest one!

What can it do for you? You can check programs of CKJF only, or maybe just the One World Film Series, or find out just what Hadassah has going on next week. It's all here! Any local Jewish organization can submit information on their programs and take advantage of this page for their own calendar. National events and conferences will also be found here. Another added plus to this calendar is at the top of the page, you can get the current week's Torah Portion, or the week's Candle Lighting times!! The options are endless.

How do you find out about an event? When you need more information on an event you find on the calendar, click on the words or phrase. If we have received more info on this event, a new window

will appear and it will be there. You can even sign up and RSVP to programs and events directly through the calendar page of the CKJF website. You can also submit information about your own events that you would like posted on the calendar.

Is it easy to use? Choose the category you are interested in, or peruse the 'all' view within the category menu at the top, and see everything that is going on communitywide.

The pages are printer friendly, easy to read, and the calendar and all its options are very simple to use. Check it daily, weekly, or whenever you are getting ready to plan a bar/bat mitzvah, a program, party, or are looking for something to do.

Look for more things to do on our Community Events page. And don't forget to sign up for your own email @jewishlexington.org, through the website too!

During the month of June, more than 1,000 people visited our website. The most popular page was, of course, the front page. But the Community Calendar, the Jewish Life page and the News were not far behind. We are constantly trying to improve the site to provide you with more and better information, so we need your input-what would you like to see on the website? What is your opinion on the 'Questions of the Week'? Would you like to volunteer? Just log in and tell us. Watch next month's issue of Shalom for the next feature article highlighting another page from www.jewishlexington.org!!

Don't forget to get your own email on jewishlexington.org

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Our family was among the first five families from the former Soviet Union that CKJF helped to settle in Lexington. That was 11 years ago.

We have since moved to Northern Virginia, but we keep in touch with our friends in Lexington, and we're always happy to see familiar names and faces in **Shalom**.

So many in the Jewish community of Lexington touched our lives in such a positive way that we want to share our happy news. Our daughter, Maiya, graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering and Biology. She will be working toward her MS degree in mechanical engineering at MIT.

Olga and Boris Shur
Virginia

Express your opinions. Let your views be known. Share your thoughts and comments with your community. Please submit your Letters to the Editor to: CKJF, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, KY 40502.

President's Message (from page 2)

Campaign 2002 Chairperson, as he heads our fundraising this year. Alan does a lot more than fielding a championship professional baseball team.

Having visited Israel and Europe in late May and June I saw first hand the way European English language T.V. reported on the Arab-Israeli conflict. It was not pretty. The superficiality and the biased reporting is obvious to anyone who knows any history of the area and is aware of radical Islam.

Many people in this country and abroad see the conflict as simply a border dispute and an "occupation" of Arab land—not realizing that several Arab armies tried to destroy Israel in 1948, in 1967 and in 1973 but failed.

Israel captured land in 1967. It returned the Sinai peninsula to Egypt for peace, however cold the peace is. Egypt refused to take back control of the Gaza Strip. Israel captured the "West Bank" of the Jordan river from Jordan, who took control of the area in 1948. Jordan fled and eventually gave up their claim to the area leaving Israel to administer the "Occupied Territories."

Despite a Jewish presence of three thousand years in the Middle East, despite the history of the Temple in Jerusalem and monotheism advanced by the Jews, radical Islam considers any land previously occupied by Islam as still Islamic and not for infidels. Islamic rule of the historic Israeli land ended in 1918 when the ruling Turks were defeated by the Allies in World War I. Radical Islam wants to drive out the infidels, destroy "Westernism" and Modernism, which Israel represents and take over the land. A democratic Israeli state, as is the United States, is an anathema to radical Islam. We have to serve notice continually: the killing of Jews and attempts to destroy the State of Israel are not allowed just as killing Americans and attempts to terrify the United States are no longer allowed.

Al Galgalim "Training Wheels" Group Is Forming for the School Year 2002-2003

Come join us for Jewish Family
Education and Fun!

Hadassah sponsors an exciting program for parents and grandparents with children ages 2-5. Through songs and fun-filled activities, adults and children learn together to celebrate Shabbat and the Jewish holidays in ways relevant to busy families of today. Training Wheels gives families the tools and skills to build Jewish identity and experience the joys of Jewish living. Prior knowledge is not necessary - just a desire to come, learn and have fun! We will have one session per month from September through May, with each focusing on a different holiday. If you are interested in joining the group, or just want to find out more, please bring your children and join us at the Al Galgalim Orientation:

When? Tuesday, August 21
Where? Temple Adath Isreal's
Social Hall

What time? 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
There will be music, children's activities and a snack for your children!

Top sign up for the orientation or for further information, please contact Di Sobel at 224-7738 or Bonnie O'Neill at 278-3366.



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Hadassah

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The Programming
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Al Galgalim:	Di Sobel (859) 224-7738 Bonnie O'Neill (859) 278-3366
Women's Discussion Group:	Joan Flashman (859) 223-8066 Linda Ravvin (859) 269-4130
Check-It-Out:	Nancy Menard (859) 269-8447 Janice Newman (859) 272-6807
UK Children's Hospital Doll Project:	Ruth Moser (859) 278-5191
UK Children's Hospital Library:	Judy Baumann (859) 223-1299
Ex-Officio:	Nancy Menard (859) 269-8447



The Women's
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Visiting Tashkent (from page 3)

coordinator in the US-Russia Partnership Project that she directed. Since working with Dr. Schulman I feel enriched professionally and personally through active involvement in the process of international development. This May we went on our seventh trip to the partner's site in Russia. It was an exciting and special trip for me, as was my first trip as an American citizen.

I felt that it was time to visit Tashkent, home to my memories, right after the business trip overseas. I realized that this time I was coming to Tashkent as an outsider with a visa. Here it was, the time to get in touch with my past life after years of living in the U.S. exploring, studying, and learning about the world and myself.

It was very comforting to know that there would be two of us visiting Tashkent. My dear friend Nellie, with whom I shared years of childhood and youth in Tashkent, was joining me in Moscow, where she emigrated from Uzbekistan. When Nellie and I stepped on the soil of our Uzbekistan, it was late night, but the picture of the friends and relatives who met us there at the airport, their glowing faces, the eyes and smiles are still very vivid in my mind. Representatives of the Tashkent Jewish Cultural Center were there as well to meet us, and offered a car and the driver for the whole time of the visit. We all were full of emotions and did not need many words. We were happy just to see each other again and looked forward to a week together.

I could hardly wait to the morning to see the city. My personal impression of the city was as if it were a flower, blossoming in the favorable climate of independence. Spread out on the same area, Tashkent looked more spacious. The smooth ribbons of roads and avenues outlined the petals of growing districts with intricate designs of Uzbek style architecture. The widened roads and avenues were running under the tree arches, the upper central part of which was the sky itself with its ever-changing thrilling colors. The roads were connected by the beautifully curved bridges. The numerous fountains sprinkled around the city-flower, looked like dewdrops, bringing freshness to the picture. I had a feeling of not riding a car looking through the video camera, but sitting and looking into the kaleidoscope where the city was moving, gliding, and swirling demonstrating its enlivened beauty.

I was exploring newly renovated Tashkent with increasing excitement, but when we approached the places we lived with my mother, I held my breath, hoping to see the places unchanged. It was an experience of growth and learning: to let things go, to preserve the spirit, to cherish memories, and to remember the lessons. At that time I could see what others around could not: pictures of my life evolving in front of me, everyone was alive, sharing moments of their lives, both happy and sad. I was bathing in the memory conversing with the relatives, neighbors, ex-colleagues, and many friends from the community. The visit refreshed my feeling of the time when I was with my mother. Later, while visiting the graves of our beloved mothers, Nellie and I were leaning against

each other offering a comforting support and it was essential. At the cemetery I was visiting the graves of those whom I knew personally and those I was requested to see by American immigrants.

People in Tashkent told me that even though the Jewish population had been substantially reduced due to emigration of Jews to Israel, United States and Germany, their community was still sizeable. In 1979 Uzbekistan had 99,900 Jews and in 1989 – 94,900 (including 51,400 in Tashkent).

Historians say that the oldest Jewish community in Uzbekistan, Bukhara, was established by exiled Jews 2000 years ago after the destruction of the Temple. Uzbekistan attracted more Jews in the 17th century as part of the Silk Road connecting West and East. Ashkenazi Jews are relatively new to the region. Some were sent to Uzbekistan by Stalin. More than 200,000 Jews stayed in Uzbekistan escaping the Holocaust during WWII out of those one million who migrated through Uzbekistan fleeing Poland and Western parts of the former Soviet Union.

Ashkenazi and Bukhara Jews in Uzbekistan share the spirit of brotherhood though they speak different languages, Yiddish and Persian, and attend

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different synagogues. The Chief Rabbi, David Gurevich, is Russian-born, but has US citizenship. He represents the 'Chabad-Lubavitch.' Today Tashkent has four synagogues, large Sunday schools and active Jewish Centers.

The role of the Jewish Centers is essential as a link for the Diaspora. They welcome everyone willing to become a member and strive to meet needs of people at the individual level. I visited two Jewish Centers established in Tashkent and videotaped their directors' presentations on the centers' activities. (The translated written presentation of one of them is on page 16 of this issue of *Shalom*.) The staffs of the centers were multinational, very supportive of their directors, showed enthusiasm in their work, were grateful for their sponsors, and open to new initiatives. These Jewish centers I visited were located within walking distance from the Synagogue.

Almost everyone I met asked if I had seen the finished parts of the new Synagogue next to the old one. They were telling about the summer seminar on the outskirts of Tashkent in July 2001, where 250 children attended a 10-day lesson on Israel and Judaism.

Though there was no state anti-Semitism, people were telling about pressure coming from their memory of pogroms. Right after the dissolution of the Soviet Union, anti-Jewish leaflets were spread among the local population, Jewish graves were subjected to the acts of vandalism, more than 100 Jewish graves were



shattered and desecrated. We touched a very sensitive topic of the events of September 11th and how local Jews sided with President Karimov, supporting the US action in Afghanistan. People mentioned that the cooperation with the US against terrorism brought relief to the government in terms of security concerns and stability, so the government was able to direct its efforts to the progressive reforms, starting with judicial reforms. Security and stability concerns were always in direct relationship with human rights and democracy. Everyone realized the essential role of adequate human rights and democracy in combating terrorism, knowing about terrorists and the system in the countries of their origin. Uzbekistan is opening up.

It is a world desire to see more countries open up, especially in Uzbekistan – a key strategic partner to the US due to its border with Afghanistan. Additionally, Uzbekistan has huge reserves of strategic uranium, and has the potential of becoming one of the main exporters of oil and natural gas. Uzbekistan is an important bridge between the West and the Islamic world. People felt confident in Karimov and shared the tributes addressed to him in March of this year at the Jewish day school in New York. He was the one who established full diplomatic relations with Israel, set up contact with international Jewish organizations, and supported Jewish life in Uzbekistan.

I had a feeling of being interviewed over and over again at the centers and by people I visited. People were very curious about life in our Lexington community: the traditional services; Sunday schools curriculums; youth and elders programs; Bat and Bar Mitzvah ceremonies; contacts with Israel; and about the newspapers and bulletins. All and everyone was wishing us the best and welcomed us to visit them anytime.

When my week long visit to Tashkent was over, I was glad to come back home and see the fresh June/July issue of *Shalom* paper. Evelyn Dantzic Geller's article about "the opportunity to help," accorded with my thoughts, that communication with the Jewish community in Tashkent may be an opportunity to help our inter-dependent world to live in precious peace. As a volunteer of a nonprofit organization, InterCultural Connections, Inc., I would like to welcome your ideas on development of our inter-community relationship and on expansion of our international experience. We all can share the statement made by Daniel Chejfec, Executive Director of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation in *Shalom*, "I am the sum of my experiences."

After 4000 Years, Noah's Ark Is Still Saving Lives

by Lori Zimmerman

On the morning of June 25th while out behind our new office building, I kept hearing a cry but saw nothing. I went out over the next several hours, each time finding nothing. At around 2:30 someone pointed out a tiny kitten under the flood drain, behind our office complex. After five or so minutes of playing tag with her, I managed to catch her. She was not well; the whole left side of her face was swollen and bloody, she was extremely undernourished, and only a day or two from death. I held onto her while figuring out what to do. In the meantime four people from the office building came out. One saying, 'Yeah, she's been around all day,' another woman screeching 'Put her down, now, she has distemper!'

Daniel Chefec, Executive Director of CKJF, and my boss, suggested taking her to the Vet Clinic which is here in our office complex (we have lots of great places here in our new office center). I walked her down to Noah's Ark Animal Hospital where I was met by Dr. Jeanette Gibson, and I explained what happened. Dr. Gibson worked with kitty for a few minutes and said they would provide treatment if I agreed to provide food. (Luckily we have a new Kroger here too!)



Over the course of the next few days, kitty made a huge improvement; the doctor's let her have visitors every day, and each day Daniel, Fran and I went down to see her. She made quite a few new friends over the next

few weeks. Every one of us who knows her has grown extremely attached to her.

I want to give an enormous thanks to Dr. Jeanette Gibson and Dr. April Newsome of Noah's Ark Animal Hospital, as well as to their staff for all they have done; it is truly one of the most selfless things I've ever seen anyone do. Daniel Chefec and Fran Morris of CKJF, also dedicated a great amount of personal time and effort to help find Kitty a home and they deserve a very special 'Thanks!'

But the biggest "THANKS" of all would have to

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be to Kim Colley and Leonardo Radomile, new kitty parents. Kim came to meet kitty in her last hours at the hospital and they fell in love with each other immediately. Initially, Kim and Leonard were going to provide her with a foster home. Then they met. Kitty is in a great home now. We could not have picked two better people for this kitten, who at about 8 weeks old has had it so rough, but has also come to have so many people care about her, and to end up in such a loving home with such great people.

We each have personal responsibilities. It is our responsibility to take down all the 'Garage Sale' signs we have hung all over town, once the sale is over, to bring our Herbies up from the sidewalk before sunset, and to provide food, shelter and love

to our children and pets. It is also our personal responsibility to help those who cannot help themselves, and to preserve the 'sanctity of life' - PIKUAH NEFESH.

Somewhere in this story I know there is a lesson, although I have yet to place it. Maybe it's a fact of human nature. It's amazing how easy it is for everyone to do nothing, until someone does something. Giving is giving, helping is helping, and in doing whatever we can, no matter how big or small, someone less fortunate than ourselves will benefit. It could even be a matter of life or death. So in these troubling times of war, poverty, violence, and all the world's sufferings, remember there will always be an opportunity for each of us to give in one way or another, and to perform a selfless act. To save a life is to give meaning to our own existence. Many times we help without knowing what our help will do, but helping is important in itself, whether we see the outcome or not. "YOU DO NOT HAVE TO FINISH THE JOB, BUT YOU ARE NOT FREE NOT TO START IT" (Rabbi Tarphon)

Again, Thank you and God bless everyone at

Noah's Ark Animal Hospital (Lori & Fran's new vets!) 1060 Chinoe Rd Suite 140, 269-0600, and remember to spay and neuter your pets. It will help prevent over population of homeless pets in animal shelters across America.



The Bukharo Jewish Cultural Center *Simkho*, in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

by Marina Akilova

The Bukharo Jewish Cultural Center, *Simkho*, opened 13 years ago in Tashkent, organizes its work on principles of self-administration and self-financing. It fulfills its duties and enjoys the rights granted to it by the Republic of Uzbekistan. According to its by-laws, it has established a variety of programs. The center tries to preserve the cultural heritage of all Jews in the territory of Central Asia by collecting autobiographic materials, photographic materials, original texts, audio and video recordings, autobiographies. Their future plan is to establish a museum to house collected materials concerned with Jews living in the Central Asia.

There is a Department of History of Jewish people indigenous to the Middle East and Central Asia. The department conducts archival searches, and collects materials confirming Jewish habitat in that area.

A committee of Jewish War Veterans focuses their activities on participants in World War II (1941-1945), people working in hospitals, bread-baking factories and industrial plants, etc. during the war, victims of the Holocaust (including concentration camps), and victims of genocide. For all of the

above mentioned people, the center offers free Sabbath meals, provides legal and financial assistance, partially covers nursing assistance, and represents plaintiffs in the court as needed. The center represents the interest of Diaspora members in state organizations.

The Children Department provides books, gifts, and medicine to invalid children, using the funds donated by the sponsors. They serve all the children; mentally healthy and with psychological problems, mobile and immobile. The Children's Department also provides comprehensive support to students studying at schools and colleges.

The Women's Committee provides comprehensive support to single mothers, mothers with many children, orphaned children, and the single elderly.

The center runs the following programs: The Art of Kosher Jewish Cooking Club, where people learn about old Jewish recipes; the Jewish Traditions Club, where people can learn about the traditions of their ancestors; a Modeling and Sewing Club, Gymnastics and Physical Culture Club; a Children's Studio of Fine Arts; a Women's Club; the Golden Age Club for seniors; a Heritage Club; a Club for Singles; and an instrumental group, "Shalom."

At club meetings and through the monthly issue of *Simkho*, Diaspora can learn about various activities, achievements, and discoveries of Jews worldwide, and through the archives people can learn about their heritage. The center arranges charitable Sabbaths for all members of the Diaspora on a monthly basis. The Center's address is:

Republic of Uzbekistan
City of Tashkent 700031
St. Isakhar Akilov 31A
Tel. 152-61-35; 54-58-76; 126-35-21



The Director of the Center is T. Akilova. The members of the center are representatives of different Diaspora. All are welcomed.

Women's Division (from front page)

be better able to answer questions which may arise in their community.

The large number of participants, almost 60, began by viewing posted cartoons representing a range of opinions. Analyzing the cartoons allowed participants to interpret and reflect on the content.

The four resource people who spoke and answered questions were Steve Caller, Lexington businessman and Jewish community activist; Judy Saxe, Hadassah National Board member and former CKJF president; Stuart Kaufman, University of Kentucky political scientist; and Linda Ravvin, active community volunteer who has a son living in Israel.

Women's Division chairperson Harriet Cooper stated program objectives were that following participation in this education-only event, women be more aware of the background of the current Middle East situation and gain commitment as workers and contributors to UJC/CKJF Campaign 2002 Women's Division which she chairs.

Cooper credited event co-chairs Rachel Belin and Allison Caller for planning, developing and implementing this Women's Division educational program. She also noted many women who attended asked for more such programs.

UJC/CKJF Campaign 2002 is now ongoing. Alan Stein is overall Campaign Chair.



Israel Emergency (from front page)

through the Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency. The current situation has put additional stresses on that system, prompting the need for additional funds.

When the Emergency Fund was launched nationally, our community was assigned a fair share, but, like most communities in the country, we decided to raise as much as possible. We are now sending the first installment of \$25,000 to fulfill our obligation to our fellow Jews in Israel and Argentina, and we hope to send more soon as local pledges to the Emergency Fund continue to grow.

As we hope that the conflict between Israelis and Palestinians will be peacefully resolved with Justice and Security for all, we stand in solidarity with the people of Israel in their quest for Peace and in the fulfillment of Israel's role as a safe haven for Jews from around the world. Join the effort. The time is now!

BAR / BAT MITZVAHS

Kindness to Animals



We invite you to join us
at the Bar Mitzvah of our son

Seth Daniel
שֵׁת דָּנִיֵּאל

Saturday, 17 August 2002

Shabbat Ki Teitzei, 9 Elul 5762

at 10:00 a.m.

Ohavay Zion Synagogue

2048 Edgewater Court, Lexington, KY

Kathue and David Schattner

A Kiddush Luncheon will follow the service

Seth will also lead the Erev Shabbat Service
on Friday, 16 August at 8:00 p.m.

Bar Mitzvah

Daniel Sondergard Engel

Please share our joy as our son
Daniel Sondergard Engel
celebrates his Bar Mitzvah
on August 16 & 17, 2002

Temple Adath Israel
124 N. Ashland Avenue
Lexington, Kentucky

Daniel is the son of Bruce &
Mary Engel
The Friday service begins at 6
PM

on August 16, 2002
The Saturday service begins at
10:30 AM
on August 17, 2002

Kiddush Luncheon will follow
the Shabbat morning service

David and Evalynne Elias
invite you to worship with us
when our daughter

Ariel Solika

is called to the Torah as a
Bat Mitzvah
on Saturday, the twenty-fourth of
August

Two thousand and two
at ten o'clock in the morning
Ohavay Zion Synagogue
2048 Edgewater Court
Lexington, Kentucky

Luncheon immediately following
services

Bat Mitzvah

Rachel Ellen Simon

Please share our joy as our daughter
Rachel Ellen Simon
celebrates her Bat Mitzvah
on August 23 & 24, 2002

Temple Adath Israel
124 N. Ashland Avenue
Lexington, Kentucky

Rachel is the son of Mark & Mary
Simon
The Friday service begins at 6 PM
on August 23, 2002
The Saturday service begins at
10:30 AM
on August 24, 2002

Kiddush Luncheon will follow
the Shabbat morning service

OHAVAY ZION SYNAGOGUE

2048 Edgewater Court, 266-8050, Bennett Bayer, President

**Join us for our 2nd Annual
S'LIHOT SWEEP!!
Saturday Night, August 31st
8:30 pm**

**It's time to prepare yourself for the High Holy Days.
It's time to prepare the Synagogue for the High Holy Days**

On Saturday Night, August 31st, you can do both!

S'lihot is traditionally the Saturday evening prior to Rosh ha-Shana during which we get ourselves spiritually ready for the Holidays through the recitation of special selections from the High Holy Day liturgy and by the blowing of the Shofar late in the night.

This year, we begin this special night with our Second Annual S'LIHOT SWEEP! We will gather at 8:30pm for Havdala and then take part in the mitzva of preparing the synagogue for Rosh ha-Shana and Yom Kippur.

Among other tasks, we will change the Torah Covers, polish the Torah silver, clean up the Sanctuary, organize the Mahzorim, bake goodies for our Youth Activities and Synagogue Break-Fast, and of course, sh'mooze with friends as we eat some yummy treats.

At 10:15pm we will join together for the brief S'lihot service and conclude with the blowing of the Shofar.

Last year we had a blast! Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to do a mitzva, have some fun with friends, and prepare spiritually for the upcoming High Holy Day season. Call Rabbi Cohen for more information.

Hear the Sound of the Shofar

Plan Ahead!

This year, we are starting extra early so that both you and your children can have a **wonderful holiday**.

Youth Activities will be offered on both days of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur.

It is absolutely necessary to **sign-up this year if you wish to participate in children's activities and/or babysitting**.

Please fill out the appropriate form and return it with your registration payment no later than August 25.

We will make arrangements for the number of children registered.
NO Walk-ins will be accepted!

Ronald McDonald House

Comforting With Food

The Ronald McDonald House provides a "home away from home" for families traveling to Lexington to seek medical care for their children. OZS is committed to providing dinner for the families on the SECOND SUNDAY of each month. The Ronald McDonald House is located right behind KET off Cooper Drive.

To sign up for a Sunday, call Allison Caller @ 266-5282

God's Pantry

A Family Night Out

God's Pantry has set aside the third Thursday of every month from 6-7:30 pm for OZS to rebag cereal, sort, and repackage food. Please come and join us with the whole family to work together for a wonderful cause.

To sign up, please call Angela Dubilier @ 266-1229

HIGH HOLY DAYS AT OZS

Schedule of Services
5763

ROSH HA-SHANA

FIRST DAY

September 6, Friday

Ma'ariv Service

8:00pm

September 7, Saturday

Morning Service

9:15am

Family Holiday Service (toddler-2nd Grade)

9:45am

Youth Activities begin (pre-registration required)

10:30am

Junior Congregation (3rd-7th Grade)

after conclusion of Torah Service

approx. 11:40am

Youth Activities (pre-registration required)

12:30pm

Ma'ariv

8:00pm

SECOND DAY

September 8, Sunday

Morning Service

9:15am

Family Holiday Service (toddler-2nd Grade)

9:45am

Youth Activities begin (pre-registration required)

10:30am

Junior Congregation (3rd-7th Grade)

after conclusion of Torah Service

approx. 11:40am

Youth Activities (pre-registration required)

12:30pm

Tashlikh

1:30pm

SHABBAT SHUVA

September 13, Friday

Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv

8:00pm

September 14, Saturday

Shabbat Morning Service

9:45am

KEVER AVOT SERVICE

September 15, Sunday (at Lexington Cemetery w/TAI)

12:30pm

YOM KIPPUR

FIRST DAY

September 15, Sunday

Kol Nidre

(promptly) 7:30pm

September 16, Monday

Morning Service

9:15am

Family Holiday Service (toddler-2nd Grade)

9:45am

Youth Activities begin (pre-registration required)

10:30am

Junior Congregation (3rd-7th Grade)

11:30am

Yizkor

12:30pm

Study Session (following break)

4:30pm

Minha

5:30pm

N'ila

6:45pm

Ma'ariv, Havdala, and Break Fast

8:00pm

SUKKOT

FIRST DAY

September 20, Friday

Welcome Back Shabbaton

6:45pm

Shabbat/Festival Evening Service

8:00pm

September 21, Saturday

Shabbat/Festival Morning Service

9:45am

SECOND DAY

September 22, Sunday

Morning Service

9:45am

SH'MINI ATZERET/SIMHAT TORAH

FIRST DAY

September 27, Friday

Shabbat/Festival Evening Service

8:00pm

September 28, Saturday

Shabbat/Festival Morning Service

9:45am

Yizkor

11:30am

SECOND DAY

September 29, Sunday

Festival Morning/Simhat Torah Celebration/

Consecration and Aleph Ceremony

9:45am

TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL

124 N. Ashland Ave., 269-2979, Judith Hersh, President

Adult Jewish Growth

INTRODUCTION TO HEBREW

MONDAYS 7:00-7:55 PM

Cost: Members \$60

(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:

September 23, 30;
October 14, 21, 28;
November 4, 11, 18, 25;
December 2, 9, 16

BASIC JUDAISM

MONDAYS 8:00-9:00 PM

Cost: Single \$60; 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 23, 30;
October 14, 21, 28;
November 4, 11, 18, 25;
December 2, 9, 16

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

B'NAI MITZVAH CLASS TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

B'nai Mitzvah, a class for adults who never had a Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremony will begin this September. The class will include Hebrew education as well as a look at Jewish texts and Jewish history.

The class will meet on Wednesday evenings from 7 PM-8:30 PM. The class concludes with an Erev Shabbat service on April 25, 2003. Each member of the class will read from the Torah and help lead the service.

The cost for the class is \$75, which includes all materials.

Class dates are as follows: Sept. 18 (orientation meeting); Oct. 2, 9, 23; Nov. 6, 13; Dec. 4, 18; Jan. 8, 15, 29; Feb. 5, 19; March 5, 19; April 2, 9, 23.

Please call the Temple office, 269-2979 to register for the class.

HIGH HOLY DAYS AT TAI

Service Schedule

September 6

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Early Service 7 PM

Late Service 9 PM

September 7

Rosh Hashanah

Family Service 8:45 AM

Late Service 10:30 AM

Tashlich & Picnic 4-7 PM

Kuperstein home

September 8

2nd Day of Rosh Hashanah

Service 10:30 AM

September 15

Cemetery Memorial Service 12:30 PM

Kol Nidre

Early Service 6 PM

Late Service 9 PM

September 16

Yom Kippur

Family Service 8:45 AM

Late Service 10:30 AM

Discussion 1:30 PM

Afternoon Service 3 PM

Yizkor followed by Neilah

(Concluding Service)

approximately 4:30 PM

Sisterhood Break-the-fast immediately
after service

Film, Food and Conversation

Video/Film Club

Next Meeting - August 25 - TAI Library

7 PM - Movie (TBA) - Coffee & refreshments

Nosh & Discussion following film

Video/refreshments \$1.00

For more details contact

Fran Bloom/223-8700 • TAI/269-2979



Around The Community



CKJF - Central Kentucky Jewish Federation (1050 Chinoe Rd., Suite 203, 268-0672, Stan Saxe, 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, Judith Hersh, President)

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

HAD - Lexington Chapter of Hadassah (Alissa Levine, President)

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

Shabbat Services monthly. Call for schedule.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Camp Shalom @ The Lansdowne Club	Camp Shalom @ The Lansdowne Club	
July 28	29	30	31	August 1	2	3
	Camp Shalom @ The Lansdowne Club	Camp Shalom @ The Lansdowne Club	Camp Shalom @ The Lansdowne Club	Camp Shalom @ The Lansdowne Club	Camp Shalom @ The Lansdowne Club Shalom Deadline	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Chabad Rabbi Visits Lexington	Leisure Club Cafe Jennifer 12:15 p.m.			Havurah AM Shabbat in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Zachary Jon Charney Cohen @ Lex. Theo. Seminary OZS - Seth Daniel Schattner Bar Mitzvah TAI - Daniel Sondergard Engel Bar Mitzvah
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
OZS Sunday School 1st Day	OZS Gan Shalom 1st Day		Community Relations Meeting 7:00 p.m. CKJF Office			OZS - Ariel Solika Elias Bat Mitzvah TAI - Rachel Ellen Simon Bat Mitzvah
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Temple Brotherhood Picnic following religious school CKJF Singles Boat Ride 6 pm TAI Film Club 7 pm			CKJF Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. CKJF Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. CKJF Office	TAI Executive Meeting 7:30 p.m. 124 N. Ashland Ave.		Havurah-Selichot Location TBA
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Labor Day CKJF Office Closed	TAI Board of Trustees Meeting 7:30 pm 124 N. Ashland Ave.			Erev Rosh Hashonah OZS Gan Shalom 1/2 day only TAI Erev Rosh Hashonah Service 7 & 9 pm	Rosh Hashonah Havurah - Rosh Hashanah @ Lex. Public Library Room A 140 E. Main St.
September 1	2	3	4	5	6	7