

# CENTERPIECE

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## An Open Letter to JCC Members: Facility Update

The JCC turns 125 in 2015, and we'll be celebrating together at events being planned for us. Our building turns 60 next year, and thanks in part to a grant from the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence (JHFE) some upgrades are already completed or underway, and more are being planned for us.

We, your fellow JCC members, were asked to help address some of the building areas that haven't yet been upgraded, but can be if we meet JHFE's latest challenge for us to contribute our share: raise \$120,000 and they'll match it. We decided since it's the JCC's 125th year, we'll shoot for \$125,000.

With that nearly \$250,000, here's a sample of what we've been told we can expect:

- Install a new gym divider in the upper gym (finished)
- Replace basketball goals in the lower gym (finished)
- Repair and extend the overhead paging system (finished)
- Beautify fencing around the outdoor playground
- Construct an ADA-compliant entrance ramp allowing easy access to all members and guests, from the plaza to the lobby and the plaza to the lower level
- Renovate the Women's and Men's locker rooms with new lockers, flooring and other upgrades
- Install a permanent shade structure by the family pool
- Build a new climbing room on the lower level
- Provide new seating and curtain for the auditorium

A more complete list, along with instructions on how to make a donation, are on the JCC 125th Meet the Challenge page, at:

[www.jewishlouisville.org/challengegrant](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/challengegrant)

Please help us meet the challenge! Review the options and select one (or more) ways to help. Every contribution will be doubled and may be tax deductible (check with your tax advisor).

Please send any questions to Kristy Benefield at [kbenefield@jewishlouisville.org](mailto:kbenefield@jewishlouisville.org) for a prompt response. Thank you.

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## ELC Family Rallies Around Student Battling Cancer

by Lisa Hornung  
*Communications Specialist*



A cancer diagnosis is the last thing anyone wants. But when that diagnosis is given to a 1-year-old child, it is especially terrifying.

Glen Bayne, now 2, recently got a diagnosis of Rhabdomyosarcoma and is now undergoing treatment for the disease. Glen is a student at the JCC Early Learning Center, where teachers and other parents were moved to action.

David Elster, a parent whose children attend the ELC, joined with Glen's former teacher Naomi Warnick to create Glen's Army.

Elster has been volunteering his time for pediatric oncology fundraising for several years. "I do it for selfish reasons," he said. His wife, Dr. Jennifer Elster, is a pediatric oncologist, and "I want them to come up with some kind of breakthrough so my wife can be home more," he said, only partially joking. "Also, if – God forbid – one of my kids was diagnosed, I'd want that breakthrough for them, too."

Elster said that while he's been helping with fundraising efforts for years, he was never able to put a name and face to his efforts until he knew Glen.

Glen's Army organized a team to walk in this year's CureSearch Walk on September 13. Elster and Warnick were hoping to raise \$5,000 and have a team of about 35 people. Instead, 86 people participated in the walk, and they've raised nearly \$13,000 ... in just three weeks.

Though there were more than 10 teams on the walk, Glen's Army raised more than one-third of the walk's goal and was the top team. Glen was unable to attend because he was receiving treatment at the time, but some of his family members were there.

The group also hosted an event at the Comfy Cow ice cream shop in St. Matthews on September 8 to celebrate Glen's second birthday. The shop agreed to donate 20 percent of sales to their cause, and they brought in \$162. "We ate over \$800 worth of ice cream," Warnick said.

In awe of the amount of participation and money raised, Warnick said, "Magic happened."

Another way the group has raised funds is by selling T-shirts. They say,

"Glen's Army" on the front and "Glen is stronger than me" on the back. The group is planning to order another set of shirts soon.

CureSearch is the fundraising arm of the Children's Oncology Group, an international consortium that sets standards of treatment for pediatric malignancies, which helps ensure that all children who get cancer treatment receive the same standard of care no matter where they are.

Glen's Army only started three weeks ago, but has no plans to stop. "Next we're going to conquer St. Baldrick's," Elster said.

There are 42 children diagnosed with cancer every day, Elster said. And there are only two drugs approved to treat children's cancer, Warnick added. "We want them to get more options."

Warnick is hoping to go to medical school next year and wants to specialize in pediatrics.

"Glen is my superhero," she said.

Elster said that 30 years ago, if a child was diagnosed with Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia, he or she had about a 50/50 chance of survival. Now that is 97 percent, Elster said to illustrate the progress pediatric cancer has made.

"We parents live such busy lives, and for the most part, we just smile and wave vaguely at one another in passing," Elster said. "It's just so awe-inspiring to see what these pseudo-strangers have done as a community to make a stand against childhood cancer in support of Glen."



## Improve Your Life at the JCC Healthy Happy Hour

The community is invited to learn about local healthy lifestyles at the JCC's Healthy Happy Hour, 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 7, in the Patio Gallery.

Fitness instructors, trainers, massage therapists and other health-related vendors will be on hand to answer fitness, lifestyle and membership questions. There will also be raffles in which participants can win a JCC Fit Kit (filled with JCC swag), a 60-minute personal training session, a 60-minute massage, Jewish Film Festival tickets, a month of swim lessons, tickets to a CenterStage production and more. All attendees will receive a free guest pass to the fitness center; members will also get one to share with a friend.

Vendors include Rainbow Blossom Natural Food Markets, doTERRA Essential Oils and Norwex, which makes chemical-free cleaning products. There will also be chair massages and fitness demonstrations. Non-members will be able to take a guided tour of the JCC's fitness center facility and talk to employees about membership. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Tara Stone, assistant director of membership and wellness at 502-238-2726 or [tstone@jewishlouisville.org](mailto:tstone@jewishlouisville.org).

### JCC FALL HOLIDAY HOURS

Rosh Hashanah  
Sept. 24 ..... Close at 6 p.m.  
Sept. 25 ..... Closed  
Sept. 26 ..... Closed

Yom Kippur  
Oct. 3 ..... Close at 6 p.m.  
Oct. 4 ..... Closed

Sukkot  
Oct. 8 ..... Close at 6 p.m.  
Oct. 9 ..... Closed

Shemini Atzeret  
Oct. 15 ..... Close at 6 p.m.  
Oct. 16 ..... Closed

# Two- and Four-Legged Friends Enjoy Doggie Dip

The JCC outdoor pool became a doggie playground on Sunday, September 21, to celebrate the end of the summer season. More than 150 dogs came out to jump, swim and chase balls in the pool with their owners and other pups at the JCC's Doggie Dip.

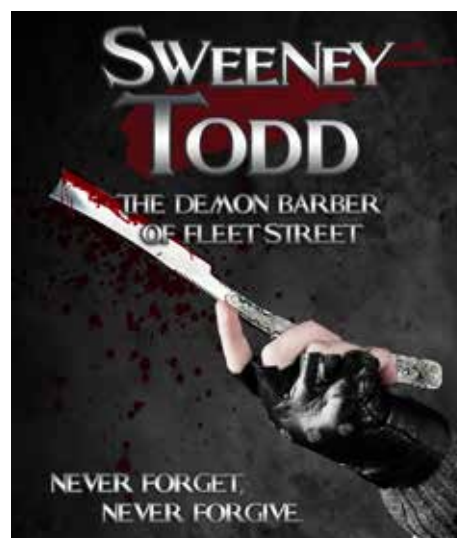
Debbie Glienke of Glenmary brought her dog Riley, a 6-year-old Labrador-Gordon setter mix, because she tries to bring him to every dog swim she can. Riley enjoyed jumping in the water then chasing after other dogs on land. "It's so nice that they do this," she said. "It's like a dog park but with a pool!"

Mike Kessler's dog Samantha, a 4-year-old black Lab mix, preferred to run and jump from the side of the pool

on into the deep end, grab her toy, then swim across to the shallow end and climb up the stairs – over and over. Kessler would throw the orange rubber toy off the side, Samantha would dive in and Kessler would jump in after her. Kessler of St. Matthews and his wife Amanda Krzysika are JCC members and have brought Samantha to the Doggie Dip for three years, after moving here from Boston. Samantha is also a regular swimmer in the Ohio River, where the family keeps their boat.



# Sweeney Todd to Thrill Audiences October 23



## Family Fun at Apple Picking Event

Over 20 families began their Rosh Hashanah celebration early by apple picking with PJ Library. Hidden Hollow Orchards, a local farm located just off of Old Henry Road, was closed to the public this season but graciously made an exception to host the youngest members of the Jewish community.

The families in attendance had a real treat as the orchard had hardly been touched and a large variety of apples was available for picking. Local honey was also for sale to complete the Rosh Hashanah treat.

PJ Library is an outreach program sponsored by the Jewish Community Center, the Harold Grinspoon Foundation and the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence. Free high-quality Jewish books and CDs are sent monthly to all enrolled participants. All families raising Jewish children between the ages of 6 months and 8 are eligible for enrollment.

Registration is open at [pjlibrary.org](http://pjlibrary.org) or by contacting Jennifer Tuvlin at [jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org](mailto:jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org).



The Meeron Family enjoys the fruits of their labor. More pictures are available online at [www.jewishlouisville.org](http://www.jewishlouisville.org).

Revenge is a dish best served ... in a meat pie!

CenterStage and J. Michael Spa and Salon present "Sweeney Todd, the Demon Barber of Fleet Street." The show will bring murder and mayhem to the stage, along with some singing, dancing and much laughter.

The 1979 musical is based on a 1973 play by Christopher Bond about a 19th century London barber who goes on a murderous rampage and the baker who helps him by baking his victims into pies. Written by Stephen Sondheim with libretto by Hugh Wheeler, CenterStage will present "Sweeney Todd" at the Jewish Community Center Oct. 23-Nov. 9.

The show has won Tony Awards for Best Musical, Best Musical Score and Best Producer. Since its debut in 1979, the show has had two revivals in 1989 and 2005, has had several staged concerts and was made into a movie starring Kentucky's own Johnny Depp.

CenterStage director John Leffert described the show as "a dark comedy and a satirical social commentary. While the show is for an adult audience, it won't be gory," he said. There will be no blood on the stage.

The CenterStage version will combine the revival version with a nod to the original play, Leffert said. The set will have an industrial, asylum-like feel designed by Karl Anderson, he added.

The role of Sweeney Todd is played by Austin Lauer, who also wowed audiences as Melchior in "Spring Awakening."

"On a personal level, this is one of my bucket-list shows," Leffert said. "I'm really excited to be directing this show. It's brilliantly written, and is a director's and designer's dream to bring to life on the stage."

Tickets for *Sweeney Todd* cost \$20 or \$22 at the door and are on sale by calling 502-238-2709 or [www.CenterStageJCC.org](http://www.CenterStageJCC.org).

## SWEENEY TODD

Oct. 23 .....	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 25 .....	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26 .....	2 p.m.
Oct. 30 .....	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 1 .....	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2 .....	2 p.m.
Nov. 3 .....	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 6 .....	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 8 .....	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9 .....	2 p.m.

Tickets cost \$20 or \$22 at the door and can be purchased by calling 502-238-2709 or visiting [www.CenterStageJCC.org](http://www.CenterStageJCC.org). A limited amount of \$10 rush tickets are available for weekday performances only by calling 502-238-2709 or in person at the Box Office.

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Register Online Today: [www.jewishlouisville.org/sunday-funday-registration/](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/sunday-funday-registration/)

# Young Skills Shine at Louisville's Got Talent

by Lisa Hornung  
Communications Specialist

To say that Louisville's got talent is an understatement. Some of the city's most talented youngsters showed off their skills on the stage Sunday at the final showcase of Louisville's Got Talent.

The most difficult act of all was not on stage ... it was performed by the judges who had to choose from a strong field of talented young people. There were singers, dancers, actors, singer/songwriters and even a magician.

CenterStage Artistic Director John Leffert said, "Any of the 20 acts could've justifiably been in the top three. They were all incredible. The creativity and talent in this city is astounding." More than 70 acts auditioned.

The winners Kylie McGuffey, 12, and Caroline Siegrist, 11, sang a duet of "And the Birds Sing," by Tyrone Wells. McGuffey, a student at St. Mary Academy in Prospect, played the ukulele as the pair sang. The duo won the top prize of \$300.

McGuffey said that she and Siegrist have been best friends since they were eight years old, and they have been in

many performances together. McGuffey participated in last year's Louisville's Got Talent, and this year wanted to sing with Siegrist, a student at Highland Hills Middle School in Georgetown, IN. The two harmonized and wowed the audience and judges.

McGuffey said it was thanks to her dad that they sang the song.

"We were trying to figure out which song to sing, and my dad plays the radio sometimes when I'm doing my homework," she said. "When I heard that song, it got my attention. I thought it would be a nice song to sing."

"When I heard it, I just loved it," Siegrist added.

McGuffey already played guitar when her music teacher taught the class how to play ukulele. Because she picked it up quickly, her teacher showed her some extra tricks and gave her some songs to learn. Siegrist said that the two worked on their performance for a couple of weeks during sleepovers and weeknight rehearsals.

Siegrist said she was "really excited" when she learned the duo had won the contest. "I was a little more surprised than I was excited," she said. "There



Winners (left to right): 1st Place-Kylie McGuffey and Caroline Siegrist, 2nd Place-Miller Krapf and 3rd Place-Emily Sipes and Madison Dailey

were a lot of good kids there."

Although this was her first attempt at Louisville's Got Talent, she said she loved the competition. "I met a lot of new people there, which was really fun, as well," she said.

The second-place act, who won \$150, was Miller Krapf, who sang "Go the Distance," by Michael Bolton, from the movie Hercules.

The third place winners were Emily Sipes and Madison Dailey, who danced to "The Promise." They took home \$75.



Judges Whitney Boyles Trowbridge, Devin Bundrent and Barbara Sexton Smith



Judges Angie Hopperton and Zachary Boone



The Latts Family; Lindsey, Allen, Jake and Kate

The show began last year as a bar mitzvah project by Jake Latts, 14. In its first year, the project raised \$6,696 to support JCC's Acting Out, which recently lost some grant money. This year's event has raised more than \$6,500.

Latts said he thought the talent and the turnout this year were great – the show was sold out, with more than 300 attending. "We had to add a lot more chairs (in the auditorium) this year," he said.

Judges this year were Fund for the Arts President Barbara Sexton Smith, former Miss Kentucky Whitney Trowbridge, professional musician Angie Hopperton, professional dancer and choreographer Zachary Boone and Kevin Bundrent from Heyman Talent agency. An audience vote made up 50 percent of the final round judging as well.

Latts co-hosted the final round with Leffert.

Leffert offers special thanks to Dancesensation, which provided entertainment during the judging.

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## SENIOR CALENDAR

Shanah Tovah!  
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**SEPTEMBER 30**  
**Bingo, 12:45 p.m.**

**OCTOBER 2**  
**Beading Class, 1 p.m.**

**OCTOBER 7**  
**Senior Retirees Meeting, 12:45 p.m.**

Patricia Johnson, a senior club member will present a program on Dollhouse Miniatures. She will show some of her collections. You will also have the opportunity to make & take a miniature home. Refreshments will be served.

**OCTOBER 7, 14, 21 & 28**

**Computer Class, 10:30 a.m.**

**OCTOBER 14 & 28**  
**Bingo, 12:45 p.m.**

**OCTOBER 15**  
**Annual Sukkah Luncheon, Noon**

Join us for lunch in the Sukkah as we celebrate the holiday, Sukkot. Rabbi Michel Wolk from Keneseth Israel Synagogue will be the guest speaker. Please make your reservations by Monday, October 13.

**OCTOBER 20**  
**Gourmet Dining Club, 5:30 p.m.**

Join us at Longhorn Restaurant on Hurstbourne Parkway.

Fee for transportation: \$6/m, \$8/nm

**OCTOBER 21**  
**Sing-along with Mary & Mila, 12:45 p.m.**

**White Elephant Sale**

Start cleaning out your closets and bring in new or gently used items beginning in October for the White Elephant Sale to be held during the Thanksgiving Luncheon on Tuesday, November 18. Items in boxes preferred. Bring your donations to Senior Adult Lounge. Proceeds from this event will help subsidize Senior Adult Programming

## Retrospective Show Precedes Annual Mazin Art Exhibition

by Lisa Hornung  
*Communications Specialist*

For more than ten years, the Patio Gallery has hosted the Mazin Art Exhibition, a juried art show highlighting the work of area artists. This year, before the exhibition, the gallery will host a Bernice Mazin Retrospective Show to showcase the work of the show's late benefactor, Bernice Mazin.

"The Retrospective Show is important because it gives the public the opportunity to see the development and change from the beginning of an artists' career to the end," said Dennis Hummel, Mazin's son-in-law. "It's a great source of pride and joy to us as individuals and to be able to share all the work Bernice did with the public, especially those who may not be familiar with her work."

Mazin was a beloved member of the Jewish community, said Slava Nelson, cultural arts director for the JCC. She died last year, just before the exhibition. As a tribute to their mother, Mazin's

daughters decided increase the scope and awards of the Mazin Art Exhibition.

"Not only was she a talented artist with incredible vision, but she understood how important it is to support young artists in the beginning of their careers," Nelson said. "That was behind the idea when Mazin decided to donate money for this annual event. She wanted those incredible talents in the community to be identified and brought to the broader community. Not only was she a talented person herself, she knew that artists live mostly on their creativity and are always in need of financial support."

The retrospective show will be October 12-November 18, and will feature her art through the years. There will be an opening reception 2-4 p.m. October 12 in the Patio Gallery. The Mazin Annual Art Exhibition runs November 23-January 6, 2015. Entries are due to the JCC by October 13. An entry form can be found online at [www.jewishlouisville.org/patiogallery](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/patiogallery).



**PARENTS NIGHT OUT**

**Oct. 25**  
**Theme: Fall Harvest**  
**5:30-9:30 p.m.**

Fee: \$30, + \$10 per additional child\*  
JCC Member Fee: \$20, + \$10 per additional child\*  
\* Children must be from the same household.

**For infants-6th grade. Snacks will be provided, bring your own dinner.**

For more information contact Betsy Schwartz at 502-238-2708 or [bschwartz@jewishlouisville.org](mailto:bschwartz@jewishlouisville.org).  
To register, call 502-459-0660 or visit [www.jewishlouisville.org/family-programming/](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/family-programming/).

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**Grades K-5**

 <b>UNBIRTHDAY PARTY</b> <b>October 3</b> 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. (No Stay n Play)	 <b>Time Travel: Past</b> <b>October 6</b> 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.	 <b>TIME TRAVEL: FUTURE</b> <b>October 7</b> 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
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**Fee per day: \$62\*, JCC Member: \$42\***

\* \$5 off per day if registration is received by 5 p.m. Sept 24.

<p><b>GETUPGANG</b></p> <p><b>7:30-9 a.m.</b></p> <p>Fee: \$10, JCC Member: \$8</p>	<p><b>STAYNPLAY</b></p> <p>Oct. 6 &amp; 7 only</p> <p><b>3-6 p.m.</b></p> <p>Fee: \$16, JCC Member: \$12</p>
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Download registration form at [www.jewishlouisville.org/SOD](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/SOD) or call 238-2718 for a registration form.

## POWER LIFTING



**OCT. 7-28**

**Tues. @ 5:30 p.m.**

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