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JCC Summer Camp is off to a great start and a huge number are already leveling up in their swim lessons!

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## Summer means busy fun at the JCC

by Niki King

If you've been by the Jewish Community Center lately, you probably couldn't help but notice it's hopping busy.

Summer fun has kicked into high gear, with pool time and summer camps reaching their peak seasons, roughly June through August.

More summer memberships were sold this year than last year. The swim team, which has about 115 kids, is the biggest it's ever been. And this year is the largest year ever for summer camps with more than 525 kids registered for camps that range in topic from Legos and dance to creative writing and sailing.

Suzu Hillebrand, membership director, said this time of year, it's all about the pools.

People are drawn to "our excellent and attentive aquatic staff," she said. "Exposure to the swim program makes them want to come back and enjoy our facilities."

That's true for Benedicte and Matt Partin, who have a family membership for themselves and their children: 12-year-old Eli and eight-year-old triplets Josie, Nick and Charlie.

Benedicte Partin said she's at the JCC pool about five days a week. While two of her children participate in the swim

team, her other two children swim independently. She finds a comfortable spot to relax and watch them.

"They're always asking if we can go to the pool," she said.

They've made lots of friends and the staff and lifeguards know them well, she said, which makes for a friendly, safe environment. The pool facilities are big enough that the whole family can find things to do, but small enough that she can keep close watch over her kids, she said. Plus, she knows they're staying active and getting lots of exercise and fresh air.

"It's been such a great place for them to spend their summer," she said.

The pools are busiest for several hours in the morning and from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., when kids enrolled in summer camps are swimming.

Burcum Keeton said the opportunity for daily swimming was a major reason



The Seng Jewelers Wading Pool is always a busy place to be this summer. It is enjoyed by both families and the JCC Summer Camp all season long.

she enrolled her six-year-old daughter Alara Keeton in the full-day summer camp for the month of June. Alara has been trying to take her swimming abilities to the next level, Keeton said.

So far, Alara is loving camp, particularly the pool time, new friends and her camp counselors, Keeton said.

"She literally tells us not to pick her up before 6 p.m.," Keeton said. "We knew we'd be happy."

## JCC Gators' schedule

The JCC is the proud home of the JCC Gators Swim Team. When the Gators have home meets, an additional 100-300 athletes compete at the JCC, which can create parking issues. The JCC is exploring options on how best to handle overflow parking and will announce plans via email and throughout the building. Teams will arrive at the JCC as early as 4 p.m. on July 1 and 3 p.m. on July 10. We appreciate your patience as we host these meets for the Gators.

### Gators Swim Meet Schedule:

July 1 .....Woods of St. Thomas at the JCC  
July 8 .....LSA Qualifying Meet (11+) at Forest Springs  
July 10 .....LSA Qualifying Meet at the JCC  
July 14 .....Championship Meet at UofL

### Gators Dive Meet Schedule:

July 2 .....Douglas Hills & Woods of St. Thomas  
July 7 .....Championship Meet at Plainview

**Go  
Gators!**



## Old Fashioned Fourth of July

By Ben Goldenberg

Get ready for some grand celebration this 4th of July at the JCC. Inspired by the parties the JCC threw when she was growing up here, Membership Director Suzu Hillebrand is proud to be bringing back the fun this year.

"I always remember the great times we had as children during the 4th of July parties at the JCC," says Hillebrand. "I wanted to recreate that for the next generation of JCC members."

And thus the party was born. The outdoor pools will open at 9:30 a.m. but the fun gets started at 11 a.m. when a DJ from Spin-A-Round Sound will play tunes poolside. The music will continue for the rest of the day with plenty of room to dance.

Starting at 11:50 a.m. there will be raft races in the family pool each hour for different age groups. Bring your own rafts and compete to see who is the fastest. There will be prizes for the winners.

The biggest celebration of all will surely be the Big Splash Contest at 2 p.m. in the Diving Well.

"It was always a lot of fun to watch our parents and friends cannonball into the pool while sitting on the edge, avoiding the splash and cheering them on. We are going to open the format so

everyone can get in on the fun."

Of course the Dive in Diner will be available for lunch and dinner, but to say a special thank you to our members, we will have two options for poolside delivery from Noon until 3 p.m. Option 1 will be Chicken Nuggets, grapes, chips, juice and a sugar cookie. Option 2 is Mac and Cheese, carrots, chips, juice and a chocolate chip cookie. Both options cost \$6 and can be paid for with cash or charge to account. You can also bring a picnic to enjoy in the Family Park. There will also be free sno-cones, popcorn and tattoos in the afternoon.

"We are hoping a lot of people turn out so we can bring back this great tradition at the JCC," said Hillebrand. "Growing up it was always a highlight of the summer and I can't wait to introduce it to a whole new generation of JCC families."

The JCC will observe normal holiday hours. The building will open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.



**4th of July Celebration**

Enjoy a fun picnic at our family park

**Dive in Diner - meals & drinks**

**Raft Races**  
10 & under 11:50 a.m.  
12-18 12:50 p.m.  
18+ women's 1:50 p.m.  
18+ men's 2:50 p.m.

**Family Pool**

**Big Splash Contest**  
2 p.m. Diving Well

**Music poolside (DJ & Dancing)**

**Free Sno-cones & Popcorn**  
2:30-5 p.m.

**July 4th Pool Hours**  
9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.



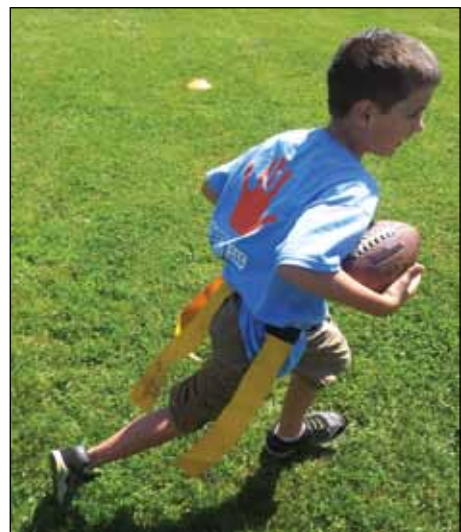
# Great first couple of weeks at JCC Summer Camp

It has only been two weeks, but JCC Summer Camp is off to an amazing start. Campers are enjoying the pool and learning to swim. An amazing 54 have already advanced a level in the Lenny Krayzelburg Swim Academy.

Week One centered around getting to know all of our new friends. Campers were introduced to Shabbat in the Lobby with Rachel Lipkin and learned about Israeli culture from our Israeli Shlich, Dikla.

Pirates invaded week Two. Since Wednesday was "Dress Like a Pirate Day," many activities were themed around the scurvy seadogs. Campers went on treasure hunts, made pirate beards, made catapults and even tried to float our own pirate ships.

The fun will continue all summer long. A number of the camps are full, but there are a few openings. Visit [www.JCCLouisvilleCamp.org](http://www.JCCLouisvilleCamp.org) for more details.



## JCC Camp Reunion planned

Remember singing "Little Buny Foo Foo," "Way Up in the Sky," "Rise & Shine," "Catalina Natalina," and "We Welcome You to Ricoree?"

Senior Director of Youth and Camps, Julie Hollander and former Summer Camp Director in the 1970's-80's, Jaye Sparber Bittner, are planning a Camp Reunion for all former campers and staff. The reunion will be held on Sunday, July 28 from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. at

the JCC. Enjoy swimming in the pool with family and friends and a song session. The event is open to everyone who attended or worked at a JCC of Louisville Summer Camp.

The event costs \$5 for adults and children are free. Register by July 22 by calling 459-0660 or emailing [jhollander@jewishlouisville.org](mailto:jhollander@jewishlouisville.org). We are also collecting old camp photos and encourage you to wear your old camp shirts.



# Extended Education Classes coming in the fall

Studies show that lifelong learning keeps us healthy, physically and mentally. So learn something new, something you've always wanted to do. The JCC is here to help you.

The JCC is currently developing four fun, new adult education classes for the fall. All the classes will be geared toward beginners, with no experience required and are offered at a reduced fee for members.

With classes ranging from painting and dancing to language and acting, everyone can find a form of expression to learn anew or improve their existing skills. Plus, it's always better to learn with others who share your interest.

New fall classes include:

- **Modern Conversational Hebrew Language Classes:** Learn to speak modern, conversational Hebrew in a social atmosphere. Learn Hebrew naturally by starting with familiar objects to develop vocabulary. Classes will be taught by a native Hebrew speaker and are ideal if you want to learn to talk with Israeli friends or family, if you're planning a trip to the Holy Land or simply interested in this beautiful language.
- **Acting for Adults:** Do you love theatre? Do you love to sing and dance? Enrich your life as you learn what it feels like to step into the spotlight. This class is designed to teach the fundamentals of the craft of acting in an open and safe environment. The class will highlight quick and powerful ways to make your performance more natural and spontaneous through monologues, scenes, movement and song.
- **Introduction to Silk Painting:** Create the kind of beautiful window drapes or silk scarves you've always admired for yourself or for others as gifts. Through exercises and demonstrations, you'll learn the process of hand-crafting your own original silk. Participants will complete two silk painting pieces, ready to wear or hang on the wall.
- **Ballroom Dancing:** You'll never have to avoid the dance floor again. Learn the steps, techniques and style of modern ballroom dancing in a fun, social environment.

For more information or to express interest contact Slava Nelson, Senior Adult Program Director, at 238-2743 or [snelson@jewishlouisville.org](mailto:snelson@jewishlouisville.org).

# Bend and Snap for fun with *Legally Blonde The Musical*

CenterStage at the Jewish Community Center kicks off its 2013-14 season with sass and class, bringing the rollicking Tony Award-nominated musical *Legally Blonde* to the Linker Auditorium stage, July 11-21. The musical is presented by J Michael's Salon and Spa and Physician's Center for Beauty.

The show has music and lyrics by Laurence O'Keefe and Nell Benjamin with book by Heather Hach, and is based on the novel by Amanda Brown and the 2001 film of the same name. It follows the escapades of Elle Woods, a sorority girl who pursues her ex-boyfriend to Harvard Law School, enrolls and then teaches that venerable institution a few legal fine points of her own. Jam-packed with moments both hilarious and heartwarming, the show features almost two dozen songs and dance numbers, including crowd favorites "Bend and Snap" and the jump rope

extravaganza, "Whipped into Shape."

*Legally Blonde* opened on Broadway in 2007 and its subsequent London production received the Laurence Olivier Award for Best New Musical.

Directed by CenterStage Artistic Director John Leffert, with musical direction by Austin Clark and choreography by Frank Goodloe III, *Legally Blonde* features Kate E. Reedy (Narrator of last season's *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*) as Elle Woods, Mitch Donahue as Emmett Forrest, Lauren LeBlanc as Paulette, R. Wayne Hogue Jr. as Warner Huntington III, Meaghan Heit as Vivienne Kensington, CenterStage favorite Lauren McCombs as Brooke Wyndham and Artistic Director of Pandora Productions Michael Drury as Professor Callahan.

Leffert notes, "It has been exciting to work with this amazingly talented cast, where more than half are making their CenterStage debuts. The audience is going to adore this show which is sheer energy from start to finish."

CenterStage will launch the new season with a party and preview of *Legally Blonde* at the JCC on Wed., July 10 beginning at 6 p.m. with a cocktail hour featuring an open bar, hors d'oeuvres, a best dressed contest, prizes and more. Attendees are invited to watch the final dress rehearsal beginning at 7 p.m., and at 9 p.m. there will be a cast meet and greet, highlighted by a "Bend and Snap" contest. Tickets for the preview and party are \$30. Call 502-459-0660 or visit [www.CenterStageJCC.org](http://www.CenterStageJCC.org) for reservations and tickets.



## MORE INFORMATION

### Bend and Snap Preview Party

Wed., July 10 ..... 6 p.m.  
Open Bar and Hors D'oeuvres with prizes for Best Dressed and Bend and Snap Contest. Also includes exclusive preview performance of *Legally Blonde*.

### Show Dates & Times

Thurs., July 11 ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Sat., July 13 ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Sun., July 14 ..... 2 p.m.  
Sun., July 14 ..... 7 p.m.  
Mon., July 15 ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Thurs., July 18 ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Sat., July 20 ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Sun., April 21 ..... 2 p.m.  
Sun., April 21 ..... 7 p.m.

### Tickets

For tickets, visit [www.CenterStageJCC.org](http://www.CenterStageJCC.org) or call 502-459-0660. Tickets cost \$18 in advance or \$20 at the door.

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or [jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org](mailto:jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org)



## SENIOR CALENDAR

**JUNE 28**

Redt Yiddish with Al Goldin, Noon

**JULY 2**

Movie & Popcorn, 11 a.m.

Join us as we celebrate July 4th with the movie *Yankee Doodle Dandy* starring James Cagney, Joan Leslie, Walter Huston & Rosemary DeCamp. Cagney won an Oscar for his portrayal of George M. Cohan.

We will celebrate birthdays and anniversaries.

**JULY 9**

Bingo, 12:45 p.m.

**JULY 15**

Gourmet Dining Club, 5:30 p.m.

Join us at Bonefish Grill on Hurstbourne Parkway. Cost of transportation: \$6/M, \$8/NM.



**JULY 16**

Seniors Retirees Meeting, 12:45 p.m.

Father Joe Graffis, Pastor of St. Edwards Church in J'Town will be the speaker. He is a participant for The Moral Side of the News on WHAS and a board member of the Crusade for Children.

Refreshments will be served.

**JULY 21**

Lunch & Show-*Legally Blonde-The Musical*, 12:15 p.m. Lunch, 2 p.m. show

"Harvard's beloved blond takes the stage by pink storm in this fun, upbeat musical about self-discovery."

We will first have a delicious lunch prepared by Gerry Burns followed by the matinee performance.

Cost of lunch : \$15/JCCM & ASCM. Cost of ticket subsidized by the Kentucky Arts Council.

Make your reservations and payment by Friday, July 5.

**JULY 23**

Chorus & Sing-along, 12:45 p.m.

**JULY 25**

Day Trip to Mayerson JCC in Cincinnati, 9 a.m.

The Mayerson JCC Senior Center has invited us to attend their Annual Technology Fair and Appreciation Celebration. The Fair will feature vendor representatives demonstrating and discussing many latest products and services.

After the Technology Fair, there will be an Appreciation Celebration featuring a delicious sit-down luncheon.

Cost of transportation: \$10. Reservation deadline Friday, July 12th.

**JULY 26**

Redt Yiddish, Noon

# New fitness coaches help members work out

by Niki King

You may have seen some friendly new faces around the JCC's gym. Three new part-time fitness coaches were recently hired. Their job includes keeping the fitness area tidy, making sure weights are put back properly, showing people how to use the equipment and helping people when they need it. If you need help with anything, just ask them.

**Kyle Whitlock**

Kyle Whitlock, 21, started his new job this month, but has been around the JCC for far longer. He's had a membership through his family since the early 2000's and he previously worked for several years in the daycare, gym and as a scorekeeper for baseball and softball games.

He's also a lifetime athlete. He's played baseball since he was four years old and is now on the team at Spalding University, where he's majoring in business and accounting. After graduation, he hopes to become a stock broker or go into sports law or be a sports agent. Before college, he played baseball for Trinity High School. He said he started seriously working out when he was about 14 years old.

"I've always been surrounded by something sports related," he said.

That background has prepared him well, he said, for his current position.

"I'm familiar with almost everything everyone does in here," he said of the fitness area.

He said he especially likes working with people and hopes they know they can always ask him for anything they might need.

"If they need help, I'm here," he said.

**Sam White**

Sam White, 20, also started this month. Like Whitlock, he's on Spalding University's baseball team and describes himself as "pretty athletic." He played baseball and basketball for DeSales High School and loves playing golf, working out and swimming at his pool at home.

Before his current job, he worked at Joe's Crab Shack and at University of Louisville baseball camps. He said the fitness coach position appealed to him because it allowed him to be on his feet, drew from his fitness background and

allowed him to help people. He's majoring in communications now, but isn't sure yet what he'd like to do once he graduates.

He grew up in the Highlands and had driven by the JCC but had never been in it until recently. He said his initial impressions have been nothing but positive. He likes the tight-knit atmosphere and the fact that so many folks know each other.

"It's been awesome so far," he said.

**Kendrick Whelan**

Kendrick Whelan, 32, has worked a few shifts now. He said he's always wanted to be a personal trainer or nutritionist and thought his job would be "a step in the right direction."

He said he's always been pretty active and stayed in shape, but earlier this year he and a friend participated in a two-month body transformation at a local gym. The goal was to be the team which lost the highest percentage of body fat. He said he dropped six percent the first month with high-intensity training and watching his diet a little. His team won, but what he really gleaned from the experience was a renewed interest in fitness, he said.

When Whelan isn't at the JCC, he's a server at the BBC on 3rd Street, and likes to ride his bike and play guitar. He also likes to fix cars, a hobby he picked up growing up in Meade County. He also spent three years in the Navy and was stationed at Pearl Harbor.

Before now, Whelan hadn't experienced the JCC but is impressed with all the facilities here and especially the people.

"It's a lot more than I thought it was," he said. "The fun part has been meeting all the people and of course the gym part, I love."

The new fitness coaches will be available if you have any questions about your workout whenever the JCC is open. They are happy to help recommend a fresh way to work out, offer a kind word of encouragement or spot your lifts.



Sam White



Kyle Whitlock



Kendrick Whelan

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