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Super Sunday Is a Success

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

On Sunday, February 17, the red carpet at the Jewish Community Center led to the Patio Gallery, which was buzzing with activity as Super Sunday volunteers called donors to the Annual Federation Campaign asking for their commitments for 2013.

At the end of the day, \$117,620 had been raised, which is 7.5 percent more than the same donors pledged last year.

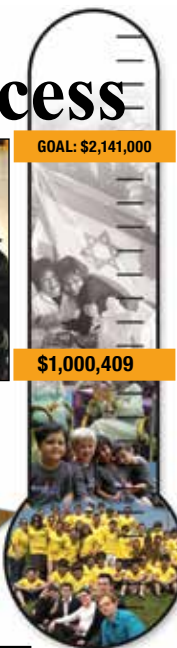
"Super Sunday was a great success," said Sarah Harlan, who chaired this year's telethon. "There was a great amount of energy in the room and lots of enthusiasm from the volunteers." *Continued on page 8*



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Paul Diaz



Dr. Riffat
Hassan



Dennis Ogbe



Vidya
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Schall

2013 MOSAIC Award Winners Named

Two CEOs of major companies, an educator and pioneer for women's rights in Muslim countries, a Paralympic champion and a physician searching for a cure for macular degeneration. These five individuals have made their mark in our community and will be recognized for their accomplishments at the eighth annual MOSAIC Awards to be held on Thursday, May 30, 2013 at The Henry Clay.

This year's honorees are Paul Diaz, Dr. Riffat Hassan, Dennis Ogbe, Vidya Ravichandran and Dr. Shlomit Schaal.

This fundraising event, which benefits Jewish Family & Career Services, honors immigrants and refugees who have made a significant contribution in their profession and in our community. JFCS was founded to assist newcomers to Louisville and this event honors its original mission.

The cocktail reception will start at 5 p.m. and will feature a showcase of new micro-businesses that have received training and financial assistance from the JFCS Navigate Enterprise Center. The showcase will be located in the first-floor lobby of The Henry Clay.

"Many new businesses only have a small budget for marketing," comments Judy Freundlich Tiell, JFCS executive director. "By introducing our businesses to the 300-400 people attending the MOSAIC Awards, we hope to generate interest in the products and services they provide and create new clients for them."

Paul Diaz – Cuban Descent

CEO – Kindred Healthcare, a Fortune 500 company with more than 2,200 loca-

tions across the U.S.; one of the 100 most influential people in healthcare; Board of Directors, DaVita; Board of Visitors, Georgetown University Law Center; member – Business Roundtable & Wall Street Journal CEO Council; established the Paul J. Diaz Scholarship Fund at Georgetown University; involved in the initiative for Hispanic Scouting.

Riffat Hassan, Ph.D - Pakistan

Dr. Riffat Hassan is a professor emerita of the University of Louisville. She was inducted into the U of L College of Arts *Continued on page 14*



by Stu Silberman
President and CEO
Jewish Community of Louisville

What an uplifting comment I just read online about Purim: while, like Chanukah, Purim was traditionally viewed as a minor festival, it has been elevated to a major holiday as a result of the Jewish historical experience and is now a thankful and joyous affirmation of Jewish survival against all odds.



Stu Silberman

At the JCL we're doing our part to run with the L'dor Vador baton and hand it to the next generation. I hope after learning about our progress you will choose to join us – by contributing your time to a committee, your dollars to our Federation Annual Campaign, and your influence – one of your most powerful abilities – to encourage someone (perhaps your own child) who is not familiar with what we do, to learn about how together we are building Jewish identities throughout our entire community. When we work together, we do extraordinary things.

During last two and a half years, what I refer to as JCL Phase I, your JCL has invested in attracting absolutely fantastic staff, streamlining and reinventing our programming and development functions, creating robust policies and procedures, and significantly improving the financial stability of the JCL. While we're *Continued on page 18*

Rabinov Earns #2 Regional Rank

by Dianna Ott

It is impressive enough that Bellarmine University junior Anton Rabinov is the highest ranked tennis player in the school's history – he is ranked number two in the Midwest Region by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) – but the student athlete excels off the court, too. Last semester he earned all A's with the exception of one A minus for a cumulative GPA of 3.75.

Setting the record for most wins in a season for Bellarmine last year (fall 2011 and spring 2012), Rabinov had 43 total wins in doubles and singles including tournaments and dual matches.

This "high tennis IQ" is what Coach John Mican calls his greatest athletic strength. "His quickness is combined with anticipation so that he is always in the right spot at all times. Because of this, his shots are never rushed."

Rabinov, a native of Petah Tikva, Israel, was recruited to play college tennis at the University of North Florida on the strength of his high school play-

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Anton Rabinov in action

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JCRC Update

by Matt Goldberg, Director

Jewish Community Relations Council

Elections Update for Israel

This month, elections were held in Israel and the results were unexpected – and we still do not know what the government will look like.

As predicted, the ruling Likud party won the most seats by far, and Prime Minister Netanyahu is expected to be the prime minister in the next government. Prior to elections, he joined his party list with Yisrael Beitenu, a right-wing Russian immigrants' party that partnered with the Likud in the last government.

Also performing as predicted were the Haredi parties, whose interests lie in maintaining the status quo in areas like education, military draft deferrals, and conversions. It is a fascinating thing to see how different parties in Israel will partner with other parties to maintain power, despite the obvious ways they differ on fundamental issues.

There were some surprises – the Likud-Beitenu party won only 32 seats in the new Knesset (out of 120), when they were predicted in some polls to get more than 40.

The biggest surprise in the election was the remarkably strong showing of a new party called Yesh Atid, which won 19 seats, all of which are filled by individuals who have never been in the Knesset before. The leader of the party is Yair Lapid, a former television personality, who is now following in his father's footsteps in creating a purely centrist party (Yesh Atid advertises itself as not center left or center right, but center-center).

A primary campaign platform of Yesh

Israeli Elections Analysis, Buy Israel Week, Matanot Le'Evyonim

Atid is the ending of universal draft deferments for Yeshiva students, putting it directly at odds with the Haredi parties. Yesh Atid's make-up in the Knesset is incredibly diverse: an American-born Orthodox rabbi, two Ethiopian Israelis, a wheelchair user, several women, and others not regularly seen as active in Israeli politics. One of the new Knesset members representing Yesh Atid is Ruth Calderon, a secular expert in Talmud who gave a historic (and beautiful) speech on the Knesset floor, calling for civil discourse between secular and religious parties.

It is captivating to see the new government taking shape, as centrist parties vie with right-wing parties for roles in the new government. These next few weeks are a critical time for Israel – a right-wing government will likely maintain the status quo, but a centrist government could bring movement on the peace process and a change in laws regarding universal draft deferments.

Already, Tzipi Livni, former foreign minister and leader of the centrist Hatnua party, has been named Justice Minister in the new government, as well as special government representative on talks with the Palestinians. While MK Livni has been very critical of the Prime Minister as recently as a few weeks ago, the parliamentary reality of the Knesset makes for strange bedfellows. All this comes on the eve of a state visit by President Obama, his first to Israel as President. It is a fascinating time for Israelis and worldwide Zionism.

Buy Israel Week

February 25-March 3 is Buy Israel Week, a week during which we are en-

couraged to purchase products made in Israel. Buy Israel Week started in response to efforts by Anti-Zionists to boycott all Israeli products.

Buy Israel Week gets easier to do every year as there are more and more Israeli products that are readily available in the U.S. Right here in Louisville you can find Ahava products in area malls, Dorot products at Trader Joe's and, with Passover coming, you'll find many Israeli food products hitting the shelves.

Consider buying Israeli products this week and demonstrate to those who wish to harm Israel economically that their efforts at demonization and calls for boycotts will only galvanize the pro-Israel community into supporting Israel even more.

Matanot Le'Evyonim

Please consider doing something wonderfully important this Purim season. Matanot Le'Evyonim is gifts to the needy during Purim and there are a lot of needy people in Louisville who need our help. This year, the JCRC is giving to Blessing in a Backpack, a program that provides food for kids when they are away from the free lunches they can get in school.

Our community has a history in hunger issues, from Rabbi Waller helping to start Dare to Care to the Community Hunger Walk and successful synagogue food drives, to JFCS Food Pantry and our recent Food Stamp Challenge. We will tackle hunger in Louisville, even if we have to do it one backpack at a time. Please consider the information on the insert in this paper and make a donation to this more than worthy cause.

Help JFCS Meet the Feinstein Challenge

Feeding the hungry is a mitzvah that must be fulfilled year 'round. Every year, in the spring, the value of our donations to Jewish Family & Career Services to fight hunger is increased as the agency participates in the Feinstein Challenge.

For the 16th consecutive year, Alan Shawn Feinstein, through the Feinstein Foundation of Cranston, RI, will divide \$1 million among hunger-fighting agencies nationwide to help raise funds during March and April 2013. Jewish Family & Career Services is one of the participating agencies in the event and will receive a portion of the funds.

All donations to the JFCS Food Pantry of food, canned goods and grocery gift cards, as well as monetary donations to the Sonny & Janet Meyer Family Food Pantry Fund during this period, will be matched as part of the Feinstein Challenge to Fight Hunger.

Many families and individuals use the JFCS Food Pantry throughout the year, enabling them to use their very limited resources to pay for other items while JFCS helps with the basic food needs. JFCS distributes more than 40 tons of food annually.

Past Feinstein Challenges to Fight Hunger have raised a record \$1.5 billion for hunger-fighting charitable agencies nationwide.

Make a donation to JFCS today and become a partner in the most successful grassroots campaign of all time to fight hunger. Food donations can be delivered to JFCS Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monetary and credit card donations are also accepted via mail or on JFCS's web site, www.jfcslouisville.org. Be sure to designate to the Food Pantry. Call 452-6341 for more information.

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Holocaust Educator Fred Whittaker to Chair Yom HaShoah Program

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

For many years, the Jewish community, under the leadership of the Jewish Community Relations Council, has commemorated the Holocaust with a major program on Yom HaShoah. Over time, it has become a major interfaith outreach event because the lessons it teaches about tolerance, understanding and standing up for justice are universal and help us build critical bridges.

Interfaith involvement in the program grew, too. Students of many faiths from Catholic, public and private schools presented readings and participated in other ways in the program. Liberators of all faiths were recognized and stories of survivors told of righteous gentiles who made the difference between life and death for them.

The Yom HaShoah Committee grew in diversity, too, as Holocaust educators, religious leaders and caring individuals drawn from the entire community came together to ensure that the lessons of the Holocaust endure.

The program itself has been held at venues across the city, and crowds numbering more than 500 have turned out to honor the memories of those who did not survive and to learn from those who did.

This year, Fred Whittaker, a science and social studies middle school teacher at St. Francis of Assisi and dedicated Holocaust educator, will chair the Annual Community-Wide Yom HaShoah Commemoration. It is the first time someone from outside the Jewish community has chaired this committee, further emphasizing the program's importance to

the entire Louisville community.

In addition, this year's program will focus on honoring righteous gentiles and learning from their stories. Planning has just begun, so details for the April 11 program are not yet available.

This year, at Yom HaShoah, Whittaker said, it will be a "wonderful year to celebrate courageous compassion and ... the great promise that solidarity and partnership between our community bring and to allow us to be the people our faiths tell us to be."

This year, Whittaker has been named the Archdiocese teacher of the year. The nomination begins with a recapitulation of the partnership he has created with the Jewish Community of Louisville and his dedication to Holocaust education detailed here.



Fred Whittaker

Whittaker, who received the Julie E. Linker Community Relations Young Leadership Award from the Jewish Community Federation in 2008, has demonstrated through his commitment to tikkun olam, the repair of the world, that community relations work is a way of life to which he not only dedicates himself, but infuses into the lives of his students.

For many years, he has been teaching his students the lessons of the Holocaust, inviting Holocaust survivors to his classroom to share their stories and culminating the unit with a trip to the U.S. Holocaust Museum. Some of his students recently came to a Jewish Community of Louisville Board meeting to thank them for the help they received from the Jewish Foundation of Louisville's grant from the Father Schmidt Fund that subsidized their recent trip (see story, page 6).

Whittaker worked closely with survivors Ernie Marx, Ilse Meyer and Ann Klein prior to their deaths, and today, counts on Fred Gross to bring understanding of surviving the Holocaust to his students.

Whittaker's students are currently engaged in making a movie, offering Holocaust survivors the opportunity to preserve their final words, their memories and legacy and getting their words of advice.

In addition to encouraging them to participate in Yom HaShoah, he encourages them to nurture their connections to the Jewish community. "We come to the Chanukah celebration, meet on Hunger Walks and work with Matt Goldberg and the JCRC on social justice and awareness," he said.

In 2005, Whittaker and his students undertook a three-year quest to mandate Holocaust education for all students in Kentucky. They lobbied the legislature and worked hard to achieve their goal. On May 8, 2008, Gov. Steve Beshear came to St. Francis and signed House Joint Resolution 6, the Ernie Marx Resolution, into law. While the resolution doesn't mandate Holocaust education, it encourages and supports it.

Whittaker began the journey that led to this quest 10 years ago. "I chanced across an invitation on my e-mail to attend the trip for teachers to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, sponsored by the Federation, with Ernie Marx" (z"l), he said.

Before that trip, he had felt a connection with the Holocaust, "so that when I received that e-mail, I jumped at the opportunity."

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Federation Offers Fun, Educational Events on Bourbon, Mobility and Advocacy

The Jewish Federation of Louisville is, at long last, ready to announce a much anticipated series of Uniquely Jewish Events that are different, educational, and fun. These events will continue a run of very successful and enjoyable campaign programs.

The event series kicks off with a program sponsored by Heaven Hill Distilleries, which will feature a presentation about the “Evolution of Bourbon” by Larry Kass, Director of Corporate Communications for Heaven Hill, also known as the “Bourbon Ambassador.”

At this event, you will be able to sample many historic types of bourbon, learn the history behind them, get a “taste” for the Jewish connection to the bourbon industry, and enjoy the social opportunities that good bourbon can contribute to. This event is in the final planning stages – be on the lookout for more information shortly.

The second event, “Planes, Trains, and Automobiles,” will explore Jewish mobility and migration patterns and



how Jews physically arrived at the places where they settled. This April 23 event, which will be hosted and sponsored by Bluegrass Motorsport, will feature Rabbi Dr. Gary Zola, executive director of the American Jewish Archives in Cincinnati.

Dr. Zola is an expert on Jewish immigration, a dynamic speaker, and he will be leading this fascinating discussion about Jewish mobility. This event will feature good food, good drinks, and a unique yet appropriate setting for a discussion on Jewish mobility, an automobile showroom. This event will be on Tuesday, April 23, at 7 p.m. at the Audi showroom on Bowling Blvd. Complimentary valet parking will be provided by Bluegrass Motorsports.

Yom HaShoah Program

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While in Washington, Marx challenged all the teachers to bring what they had seen back to the students. Whittaker recognized the need to teach his students the lessons of the Holocaust, but didn't know how to go about it.

“So I reached out to Ernie,” he continued, “to the Holocaust Memorial Museum and to other Holocaust scholars and really received a lot of input that helped” him reach his “students deeply and appropriately.

“Somewhere along the line,” he said, “I began to transcend just being a historian and teaching history to teaching about life. I moved the Holocaust unit from my history class into my religion class. The venue of the religion classroom enabled me to explore not just facts and dates, but humanity and interconnections between lives, faiths and generations of people.” He came to view the history of the Holocaust as something sacred and something that helps to “bind my students to a greater good.”

“A good teacher is always teachable,” Whittaker added. “I teach my students to be open to being changed and I became changed myself.”

He has continued to build on his accomplishments. He's served as a member of the Yom HaShoah Committee for a number of years, and helped facilitate a program for Arab and Jewish Israeli teens created by the Ghetto Fighters Museum in the Western Galilee in Israel when that group came to Louisville.

Whittaker carried his commitment to *tikkun olam* (the repair of the world) a step

further. In 2008, he established a connection for his class with a school in Sderot, the southern Israeli community that has borne the brunt of the missile attacks from Gaza for many years, and he maintains that connection today.

When Ernie Marx died, Whittaker began recruiting teachers to participate in the teachers' trip to the Holocaust Museum and helps educate the participants about how to use what they learn in the classroom.

He has also traveled to Israel and visited Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Memorial and Museum, and has attended other Holocaust workshops.

Originally from Waukegan, IL, Whittaker traveled with his father's studies, eventually settling in Louisville. “I count Louisville as my hometown, unless I'm pressed,” he said.

He is a graduate of Trinity High School and has a B.S. in science with a minor in early childhood development from the University of Louisville. He's been at St. Francis for 20 years, where he taught kindergarten before moving to middle school 11 years ago. He is also the director of the after-school and summer childcare programs for the school.

He has two adult children, Michael and Christine. His mother is Julie Whittaker, and he has a brother, Steve (Melissa).

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The third event in the series, “The Jewish Way,” will feature an advocacy workshop and will include discussions on social action and social responsibility. This event will take place on Tuesday, May 21, at 7 p.m., and will be facilitated by Ethan Felson, vice-president of the Jewish Council for Public Affairs and one of the primary grassroots organizers/lobbyists in the organized Jewish community.

Felson has spearheaded the campaigns to lobby other groups not to divest from the

state of Israel, and he will be in Louisville that evening to recount his successful efforts and demonstrate how communities get advocacy efforts of the ground and running. This fun and informative event will be at Greens Foundation Lodge in the scenic atmosphere of the Parklands at Floyds Fork.

For more information on any of these events, please contact Matt Goldberg, mgoldberg@jewishlouisville.org, or (502) 238-2707.

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY 24

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7:45 p.m. coffee and popcorn
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FEB. 24-APR. 2

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FEB. 26-MAR. 1

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MARCH 3

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Tickets \$12.50 in advance; \$10 for students and seniors, available at www.adathjeshurun.com/music_festival_registration/ or call 458-5359. See story, page ...

MARCH 17

 **SUMMER CAMP OPEN HOUSE**
11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Take advantage of Early Bird Registration
Meet the directors and more.

MARCH 17

JFCS Family Mitzvah Passover Event
Family Fun - arts and crafts. Help organize Passover food baskets for those in need.
1:30-3 p.m. at JFCS

RSVP by March 13 to Kim Toebbe 452-6341, ext. 223



MARCH 24

For 6th-8th Graders Teen Connection Broom Ball

2-4 p.m. at Iceland Sports Complex
\$20 per person
RSVP by March 18 to 459-0660.



MARCH 25

Passover: First Seder

MARCH 26-APRIL 2

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APRIL 9

Naamani Lecture
Featured Speaker
Prof. Lee Shai Weissbach of University of Louisville
“History of Jewish Life in Small Town America”
7:30 p.m. at the U of L's Ekstrom Library
in the Chao Auditorium

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St. Francis Middle School Students Thank the Jewish Community

The Jewish community regularly promotes Holocaust education for the entire community. Each year, the Jewish Community Relations Council presents a community-wide Yom HaShoah Commemoration Program (see story, page 4) and regularly takes teachers to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, providing them pre- and post-trip educational sessions that enable them to develop curricula that they can use in their classrooms.

The Jewish Foundation of Louisville also helps provide scholarships that make it possible for teachers and students to make the trip to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. This year, the Foundation's Father Schmidt Fund, a restricted fund that is designated for Holocaust education, provided a grant of \$1800 – \$75 per student – that enabled Fred Whittaker, a middle school science and social studies teacher at St. Francis of Assisi, who is also a Holocaust educator, to take 24 students to the museum.

Cantor David Lipp and Holocaust survivor Fred Gross traveled with the students. Cantor Lipp worked with the students ahead of time, taught them the Kaddish and helped them recite the prayer in the Hall of Remembrance. Gross shared his personal story.

In appreciation for the support they received from the Jewish Community of Louisville and the Jewish Foundation, Whittaker brought three of his eighth grade students, Rose Chancy, Cassie Drury and Holly Zoeller, to the JCL Board meeting on January 29, where they conveyed their gratitude in person. All three girls acknowledged the men's contribu-

tions to their experience and thanked them for making a difference.

The three young people were eloquent as they read from their prepared letters. Each expressed her gratitude for the support that enabled her to make this trip and shared how the emotions of the experience impacted her life.

Chancy recounted the power the architecture of the building added to the experience, moving from dark to light, "until you were thrust into the Hall of Remembrance, where you are forced to feel emotion."

After her "emotionally draining day," she wrote, "I felt a weight, not a burden, placed upon my shoulders. In this day I had gone through the entire Holocaust, learned life stories of the victims, rescuers, even persecutors, but in this hall, I learned only one thing, I can never forget. If you look at it, the Holocaust can teach you everything about living your life. It shows how the simplest insults or rude comments can be taken to drastic measures. It teaches you hope and perseverance, it teaches you bravery, and so much more. These things help me lead a better life."

"After my class's experiences this year, we feel that we are part of the Jewish Community of Louisville," she concluded. "We are a part of your faith, and we also feel like our knowledge of your faith helps us in ours. Holocaust education is infinitely important to me, and I cannot begin to express my gratitude for it."

Zoeller described herself as a sensitive person who, when she began studying the Holocaust, was unsure that she would be able to handle it. Among the many things that moved her, she spoke about the "wall

of faces and the walls of names" that "stained my heart greatly. I found myself looking for names of friends and family, and when finding one, my heart always fell slightly, even though they hadn't been through the tragedy. Suddenly, the horrible thought occurred to me; every single person on those walls had family and friends, whom they loved, and whom they were torn away from. The faces on the wall made things real and it helped put into perspective that the people were human beings with lives involving problems, joys and average days.

"The hardest to swallow," she continued, "is the fact that those persecuted were people just like me, not a vague person I could never connect to. They got anxious at times, they had fallen in love, they got frustrated and they worked diligently at school."

"I will never be the same after I stepped through the doors of that museum," Zoeller said, "and that is something I am very proud to say. A personal success was that when this all was over, I found that my anxiety did not hold me back in the least. Coming out of the journey, I saw myself grow as I haven't before. I've become more aware that what I do has an impact and I must be braced for the impact with everything I do. I found a side of myself stronger than I ever believed possible."

She said that the gift the Jewish community gave her class shaped their future. "My class will never be able to explain to people why we are different, why we notice hurt, care more and are more understanding of those different from us. We sincerely owe this all to you."

For Drury, the lessons of the Holocaust were about "love, hate, family and humanity," and one of "most amazing and memorable experiences for me was praying the Kaddish in the Hall of Remembrance. ... It was a remarkable experience and like nothing I had ever experienced before. I have never felt such love for everyone around me than I did in that room.

"Even in pledging to never forget one of the darkest times in human history," she continued, "the only thing I was feeling was love. That moment changed me in an inexplicable way. I carry the memories of those that came before me each and every day and because of that, I am more conscious of my actions. I do my best to weave the message that the Holocaust taught me into my everyday life."

Drury summed up her experience, "I know that there is a lot that makes people different from each other, but from my personal experiences I know that there is even more that makes people similar.

"Differences should unite us as people," she said, "but if people persecute others for the sake of their differences then we are not united. I know that there are many differences between religions, but those differences DO NOT carry into the people that practice them.

"My studies in the Holocaust have taught me to stand up for this and speak out." She added. "We are just one school and one community, but there is a starting place for everything. I know that because of the lessons I have learned I will stand up, I will try and write the wrongs, and I will love."

The full text of the three letters can be found online at www.jewishlouisville.org.

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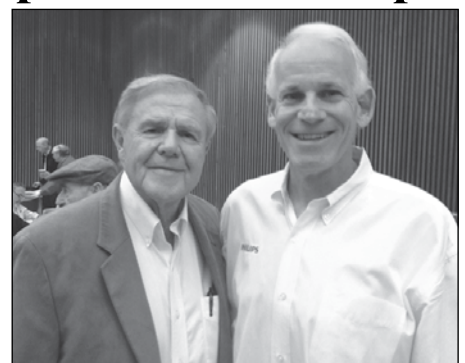
Coach Denny Crum Spoke at The Temple

The Temple Brotherhood drew 84 people to the Coach Denny Crum Dinner on February 5 at The Temple. The College Basketball Hall of Famer and winner of two national championships made a point to meet everyone in attendance and posed for countless photos.

The very humble Coach Crum talked about the person who most influenced his career, UCLA's ten time national champion Coach John Wooden.

Proceeds from the dinner and a raffle for an autographed basketball benefited the Coach Denny Crum Scholarship Fund. Dr. Mel Koby won the coveted prize.

Also present in the audience was former team doctor, Nat Zimmerman; former team hypnotist, Dr. Stanley Frager; and former ball boy for the 1980 champion team, Matt Schwartz.



Denny Crum and Jim Hytken

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With a cast of more than 60, CenterStage is bringing one of the best-loved Biblical dramas to life with *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, presented by Hilliard Lyons, now through March 3 at the Jewish Community Center.

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Superstar, the musical by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice tells the story of Joseph and his coat of many colors. With virtually no dialogue, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* is sung in a cornucopia of musical styles, ranging from country-western and calypso to bubble-gum pop and rock 'n' roll. "This

show is guaranteed to make you smile throughout the entire production as it teaches us that faith can overcome despair," says Greg Vincenti, the title sponsor of the show.

CenterStage made their mark on Louisville's theater community with its 2004 production of *Joseph and the*



Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. "This will be the fifth time I have directed Joseph and I'm equally excited for this production as I was for the first," said John R. Leffert, CenterStage Artistic Director.

"What CenterStage and John R. Leffert bring to its audience is a rousing, joyful, spectacular extravaganza which displays some of the very best talent in our community," says Vincenti.

Kate Reedy, who recently played Mimi in *RENT* and Sarah in *Company* will star as the Narrator and Robbie Lewis, recently seen as Gabe in *Next to Normal*, will don the coat of many colors and lead this production as the title character, Joseph. Jeremy Moon, who played Joseph in both prior productions, will be featured as a brother and "Angel in Heaven" soloist. Gene Dorf, a longtime CenterStage favorite, will reprise his role as Jacob.

Performances are February 21, 23, 25, 28 and March 2 at 7:30 p.m. and February 24 and March 3 at 2 and 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$18 in advance or \$20 at the door and are on sale now. Children, age 10 and under, receive a \$4 discount. Call 459-0660 today or visit www.CenterStageJCC.org to reserve your tickets for *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, because they're sure to sell out.

AJ Brings Jewish Bluegrass Fiddler for Music Fest

by Cantor David Lipp
Congregation Adath Jeshurun

How many bluegrass musicians does it take to change a light bulb?

Three.

One to change it and the other two to argue about how Bill Monroe would have done it.

On Sunday, March 3, a new kind of Jewish Bluegrass March Madness will begin with the 2013 Adath Jeshurun Music Festival: "Bluegrass with Jewish Sass" at AJ at 7 p.m.

This year's special guest for the 2013 Van der Walde Rosenblum Music Festival will be Hazzan Mike Stein, cantor at Temple Aliyah in Los Angeles, who will be joining me to share his particular blend of Jewish Bluegrass music – everything from L'cha Dodi (you've heard this one but you won't believe it) to a rollicking Adon Olam (you haven't most likely heard this one before but you'll want to remember it).

Hazzan Stein combines the rich Jewish heritage of his upbringing in New York's Conservative Movement with a successful career in music and theater. He per-

formed in three Broadway shows, including a starring role in *Jesus Christ Superstar*. He is a retired member of the Navy where he played violin in The United States Navy Band's country/bluegrass ensemble, Country Current. He worked for four presidents as part of a White House support unit and traveled the world extensively. One past president has dubbed him his 'favorite fiddler'!

He was a regular on the Nashville Now Show and the Wheeling Jamboree and played on the Grand Ol' Opry. He was nominated for a Grammy Award in 1999, and won a Grammy in 2005 in the Best Children's Music category. He is the violinist on scores of recordings for major artists including Mary Chapin Carpenter and Eva Cassidy.

The concert will be recorded for future broadcast on WFPK 91.9 FM's Kentucky Homefront with John Gage and will also feature Bluegrass legend Steve Cooley, bassist phenom Lauren White of Storefront Congregation, Cantor Sharon Hordes from Keneseth Israel and a joint adult and junior Jewish community choir.

The real question is, how many Jewish



Hazzan Mike Stein

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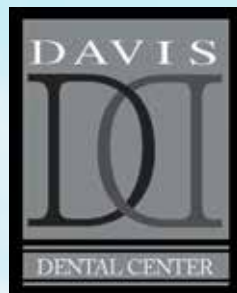
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Super Sunday Is a Success

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Harlan also noted that “we were getting good comments from members of the community when we called them” and she was pleased with the way things went.

This year’s Super Sunday was a big Pre-Oscar party. The room was decorated with balloons and posters promoting plays CenterStage will bring to the JCC in the 2013-14 season. The tote board was a series of shining stars.

Volunteers could also snack on candy from large theater-style boxes as they made calls or indulge in donuts, bagels, tuna, pasta salad, baked goods and more when they took a break and walked over to the Naamani Library. And of course, there were plenty of prizes for those who secured significant increases in pledges and new gifts to the Campaign.

In addition to Chair Sarah Harlan, this year’s Super Sunday Committee included Bryan Baker, Barbara Franklin and Kate Kastenbaum.

The volunteer callers were Campaign Chair Karen Abrams, Lt. Gov. Jerry Abramson, Lisa Bass, Jacob Efman, Jerome Fleischer, Alan Friedman, Debbie Friedman, John Gage, Lance Gilbert, Jeffrey Glazer, Ayala Golding, Steve Goldstein, Bailey Haskell, Cynthia Hytken and Jay Klempner.

Also, Helene Kramer Longton, Jake Latts, Kate Latts, Lindsay Latts, Jillian Lustig, Laurence Nibur, Jerri Passo, Thomas Passo, Tracy Raben, Ilean Rowe, Lewis Rowe, Amy Ryan, Haley Ryan, Judy Tiell, Jeffrey Tuvlin and Leon Wahba.

Mayor Greg Fischer stopped by to offer encouragement.

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These are some of the people took the Food Stamp Challenge.

Robin Rosenbaum Spoke

Local Food Stamp Challenge Culminated with Potluck Dinner

by Shiela Steinman Wallace and Kim Toebbe

If your total food budget for the week were just \$31.50 per person, the amount the average Food Stamp recipient receives, how would you fare?

The answer for the more than 20 people who joined the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) and Jewish Family & Career Services (JFCS) in taking the Food Stamp Challenge, varied with their circumstances. While all agreed that it was not easy to get by and eat healthily on such meager resources, individuals had more difficulty stretching their dollars than families who pooled their funds; and some of those with special dietary needs found they couldn't make it through the week, running out of food as early as Thursday.

More than 50 people who are concerned about the issues of hunger and poverty came together on Sunday, January 27, at JFCS for a potluck dinner that marked the end of the week for those who took the Food Stamp Challenge.

In introducing the guest speaker, Robin Rosenbaum, the director of The Jewish Council for Public Affairs' (JCPA) Poverty Action Campaign, JCRC Director Matt Goldberg said the Food Stamp Challenge was a natural fit and logical next step for Louisville's Jewish community. The community already actively supports JFCS's Food Pantry and the annual Community Hunger Walk, and this year, for Purim, the JCRC is raising money for Blessings in a Backpack. (See inserted card.)

The purpose of the challenge is to raise awareness of SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program known as Food Stamps), which is always under threat for cuts during the Federal budget process. With the current \$31.50 per person allowance, Goldberg said, every decision about which food items an individual purchases becomes a financial decision rather than a choice of what a family would like to eat or which foods would be the healthiest.

After providing an overview of JCPA, Rosenbaum said the Food Stamp Challenge is one of a number of programs that puts Jewish values into action – in this case, the mitzvah to take care of the poor. In addition to hunger, JCPA is working to fight poverty and to ensure greater availability of affordable housing.

The Food Stamp Challenge, she explained, was started four years ago with just a few communities. In 2011, JCPA transformed it into a large national program that included several members of



Robin Rosenbaum spoke with Marilyn Bornstein

Congress. It is just one of the tools the organization uses to fight poverty.

JCPA is also working on a "faith mobilization," building coalitions with the National Conference of Churches, Catholic Charities and others to focus on poverty issues.

With Passover quickly approaching, JCPA is partnering with Mazon, the Jewish response to hunger, in promoting awareness of the issue with the Hunger Seder, which uses a special Haggadah to focus attention on hunger.

One in six families and one in 24 children in Kentucky struggle with hunger Rosenbaum pointed out.

SNAP is part of the Farm Bill, she explained, and last year, Congress proposed \$15 million in cuts to the Farm Bill. JCPA and JCRCs across the country will be lobbying to maintain or increase funding for SNAP. Since Food Stamps today are distributed through a card, like a credit card, that only allows the purchase of food, it is one of the most effective and least abused Federal programs today, she said.

JFCS Executive Director Judy Freundlich Tiell elaborated, explaining that people who use the program and the JFCS Food Pantry are often people who used to be able to support themselves, but have suffered illness or are out of work. Their children are in the free lunch program at school.

There are people in Louisville in need of food, she continued. There is still a stigma attached to asking for help, but this is an issue of tikkun olam, the repair of the world. The person in need, she said, "may be the person sitting next to you in shul."

A number of those who took the Food Stamp Challenge shared a few observations from their experiences.

Matt Goldberg thanked his wife, Lisa, for clipping valuable coupons and checking out specials which helped him better shop for his challenge week. He said his food became "boring" and was likely much less nutritious than it should have been.

Jessica Goldstein, a stay-at-home mom who is a vegetarian and avid runner, admitted to being hungry almost the whole time despite careful planning to stay within the prescribed budget for a week. If she had been allotted even one more dollar per day, she said, the challenge would not have been quite as challenging.

Joan Simunic and her whole family had good results during their week, having the wherewithal and organizational skills to plan when to shop at Kroger as soon as items were marked down for quick sale to stretch their combined dollars further. She noted that Kroger marks down produce at 9 a.m. and meat at 1:30 p.m. each day. But how many families, particularly among the working poor, can manage to be at Kroger at the right times or to make multiple trips to the store?

Many were humbled by the fact that one dinner or lunch outing could "ruin" their chances of staying within the meager budget. Since awareness was the real goal, the group admitted that they would not have the freedom and privilege to eat out very often without the resources they are fortunate enough to enjoy.

For this closing event, Sara Yamin prepared and donated the main dish of vegetarian lasagna, and members of the JFCS Food Pantry Committee prepared side dishes. Ayala Golding prepared Kosher lasagna.

Those who took the Food Stamp Challenge were Dara and Michael Cohn; Matt Goldberg; Ayala, Josh, Sam, Nathaniel and Vanessa Golding; Jessica Goldstein; Katherine Heise; Janet and Jonathan Hodes; Tami and Dan Penner; Sara Robinson; Jane Shapiro; Joan Simunic and her family, Allan, Lilly and Nathaniel Pinhas; Carole Snyder; Vince Taylor and Sara Yamin.

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by Shiela Steinman Wallace

When asked who is his favorite tennis player Rabinov quickly answers with a smile, “Rafael Nadal. I’ve been told that I look like him. He’s hardworking and never gives up. Yes, I hope I am like him.”



Six Women Prepare for B'not Mitzvah Together at Temple Shalom

by Dianna Ott

As the saying goes, it's never too late to learn something new.

If it had been common for girls to study for bat mitzvah back when NASA was landing men on the moon and we watched the Ed Sullivan Show every Sunday night, the six women who will be celebrating b'not mitzvah at Temple Shalom on June 29 wouldn't be doing it now.

This ritual, part of claiming their Jewish identity and becoming more fully included in religious understanding and practice, is as important for adult women today as it is for the 12-year-old girls who now take it for granted.

"When I was growing up I thought learning Hebrew was just for the boys," said Frances Balf. "I just didn't feel the need," explaining that in Louisville, even girls from Reform synagogues didn't have the opportunity for study before the 1980's.

How did this group of six women decide to study together? Judy Sharp, who is president at Temple Shalom, answers back with the rhetorical question, "What do Jewish people do on Christmas? Eat Chinese food and go to a movie, of course!" It was Christmas night 2011. After dinner and a movie, Sharp and Kathy Karr were discussing languages when Karr declared, "I wish I could learn Hebrew."

"Then why don't you?" replied Sharp. "In 1991, I taught myself from a book. I am just a little bit competitive so I decided that if my husband could read Hebrew, so would I. I offered to help Kathy in whatever way I could."

Gradually, a group including Sharp, Karr and Balf plus Linda Wilson, Heddy Teitel and Ellen Gray started meeting once a week, and they have been doing so since last July. Their first task was to learn the Hebrew alphabet using a book ordered online called *Teach Yourself to Read Hebrew*, by Ethelyn Simon and Joseph Anderson.

Balf said after she saw her daughter, Becca, study for her own bat mitzvah, she, herself, became intrigued with what would be required.

"I heard there was a group forming," said Balf, who talked to Heddy Teitel about the group. Teitel's granddaughter, who is also named Becca, is good friends with Becca Balf and the two older women became friends when the girls were active in the youth group at Temple Shalom during their teenaged years.

Ellen Gray, who grew up in Miami, said although her sister became bat mitzvah, "it wasn't as popular then as it is now."

In Gray's case, the lack of an enthusiastic teacher caused her to lose interest. "My sister had a wonderful Hebrew teacher, but after he retired, I had a year with his replacement but he wasn't as good. The desire just wasn't there."

Heddy Teitel said, "I was a very social kid. When I went to Sunday School, as we did here in Louisville, I was more interested in talking about Saturday night than learning Jewish history and tradition."

The women emphasize that what they are learning is liturgical Hebrew. "We're not learning to ask directions," said Sharp.

"At the beginning, we'd gather at someone's house; we'd eat of course, then we'd study together," said Teitel. "Along the way we got to know each other better and it was a lot of fun."

"We're all very busy women," said Gray, "so once a week we'd spend an hour at the beginning kibbitzing before getting started. Now that we are such good friends, we can go to services and understand the prayers together."

As challenging as the study has been, the women say they've already begun to feel more connected, especially for Karr and Wilson, who became Jewish by choice.

Their classes are more formal now since they began meeting with Rabbi Stanley Miles on Tuesday nights. The women praised the Rabbi for his support and guidance.

The women asked Rabbi Miles to help them select a Torah portion that would be meaningful for all women, which is how they selected the date of June 29. The Torah portion that day is a passage that describes the first time women were allowed to wear head coverings.

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The six women are preparing for a joint b'not mitzvah on June 29. Back Row: Frances Balf, Heddy Teitel, Ellen Gray
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Six Women Prepare for B'not Mitzvah

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lowed to inherit property.

The portion, Pinhas, Numbers 27:8, in English reads, "Further, speak to the Israelite people as follows: 'If a man dies without leaving a son, you shall transfer his property to his daughter.'"

For a service project, they're interested in finding something that will also be beneficial to women in the community.

The women agreed that they want to show that education is continual. They hope to set an example for everyone in the community that even adults never stop learning.

Teitel agrees. "For years I've recited prayers in Hebrew with no idea what they meant. I took it all for granted – the meaning of the words, the history and the tradition."

Balf said, "I understand the service better now that I'm able to read the Hebrew."

"I wanted to prove to myself that I could do it," she added. "You're never too old to learn new things."

Bessen Twins Participate in a Variety of Projects for Pledge 13

When twins Lilly and Julia Bessen decided to donate large containers of peanut butter and jelly to a canned food drive for the Dare to Care 5K run as part of their Pledge 13 project, it made perfect sense.

The girls aren't identical. But the 12-year-olds, who will celebrate their b'not mitzvah on April 13 at Congregation Adath Jeshurun, are "like peanut butter and jelly," according to their mother, Ellana. "They are separate, but dependent on each other."

Julia, who quickly pointed out that she is one minute older than Lilly, stressed that it's important to contribute to the community because "not all people have the same privileges."

"The Dalai Lama says that compassion is empathy in action," said Lilly, "That's what we're doing when we do community service."

Their school is sponsoring an essay contest to award tickets to see His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama when he speaks in Louisville in May. Lilly is hopeful that her essay will earn her tickets to the event.

Other activities making up their 13 hours of community service have included baking hamantaschen for Purim, wrapping donated gifts for Chanukah and taking treats to and visiting with residents at a local nursing home. They also helped build the sukkah at Jewish Community Center with help from others.

"We like to do things with other kids because it's a lot of fun," said Julia. "We'll see what other activities are coming up that we can also do."

Lilly plays tennis and is on the golf team at Louisville Collegiate School, where she and her sister are in seventh grade. Julia plays forward for the field hockey team.

The Jewish Family & Career Services Robert and Marjorie Kohn Pledge 13 program is designed to encourage the completion of 13 hours of community service the year a young person is celebrating his



Lilly Bessen, Oliver and Julia Bessen

PHOTO BY ELLANA BESSEN

or her bar or bat mitzvah. Many young people in the community choose to include Pledge 13 in the b'nai mitzvah year activities. Those who complete the program receive a certificate and a gift during their b'nai mitzvah service.

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Teen Topics

Jay Levine BBG

by Rachel Bass

Jay Levine BBG is off to a killer start! Ever since the 2013 Spring Term board was elected in January, the chapter has been on its feet, and it doesn't look as if they plan to slow down any time soon.

The board spent two and a half hours (yes, really!) at Panera discussing their goals for the term, presenting individual ideas, and setting up a calendar sprinkled with everything from meetings and a recruitment event to sleepovers and Shabbats.

The first official event of the term was a Tu b'Shvat dinner on January 31 at Earthfare in the Summit. More than 20 girls attended, chowing down on all-

natural mac and cheese and listening to the Shlichah (Hillary Reskin) lead prayers and teach about the holiday. This was the first Tu b'Shvat event in Jay Levine history, and it is definitely one that will now happen year after year.

February is about to be an insane but exciting month for the girls; it is the start of the recruitment season. Sunday, February 24, from 2:30-4 p.m., Jay Levine BBG along with their brother chapter, Drew Corson AZA, will host a recruitment event for all eighth-grade girls and boys in Louisville. The event is strictly social and an extremely fun way to introduce the teens to the wonderful world of BBYO.

If you are the parent of an eighth-grader, please push the event to your children and tell them to bring their Jewish friends!

Since we believe that nobody should spend Valentine's Day alone, we decided to take over Impellizzeri's for some pizza, laughter, and lots of loving on February 14.

Finally, on Thursday, February 21, Jay Levine had their first chapter meeting of the term at the JCC. It was a business meeting where the girls planned and discussed Stand Up causes, community service, J-Serve, Bigs/Littles programming, and our upcoming calendars. It can't be so super serious, though, so we asked all girls in attendance to please wear their pajamas for a little PJ party! (It happened after *Community* went to press.)

The term is off to an unbelievable start. Each week holds something new for the girls, and there's no doubt they're only just beginning.

Jay Levine Tu B'shvat Dinner

by Audrey Nussbaum

The evening began by ordering healthy foods and eating our fruits. We sang our prayers before eating and all the girls caught up with one another. Then Hillary Reskin led a fabulous talk, telling us fun facts about Tu B'Shvat and giving us each a prayer booklet to look through.

We also earned enough money to have our own tree in Israel! The tree will be donated in the name of the Saddle brothers. This is really cool that Jay Levine has another tree in Israel. Israel is in dire need of trees after many of them were burnt down in a fire. By donating money for trees we are helping the people and land there.

Way to go, Jay Levine. The evening ended by singing Hativkah. Hope you will be able to come to the next event.

Drew Corson AZA

During the last month, Drew Corson AZA hosted a Super Bowl party for all of Louisville BBYO at Michael Schwartz's house. The teens were very excited to enjoy snacks and pizza while watching the Super Bowl with 46 of their friends at the Schwartz's house.

They also had their first chapter of the meeting of the term, during which they began to introduce eighth graders to the ways of Drew Corson AZA. As is the chapter's tradition, they ended the meeting by playing basketball in the gym.

They also made and sold chocolate strawberries to support the chapter. Thank you to everyone in the community who helped the group by purchasing plates of strawberries.

Drew Corson is currently busy planning tons of fun events for the rest of this term.

Teen Connection Game Craze Event

On Sunday, February 11, Teen Connection gathered for its Game Craze Event. Middle schoolers met in game central and enjoyed pizza and snacks while playing pool, ping-pong, X-box, Ga-Ga and Basketball. It was a fun day of gaming for all.

The group is looking forward to its next event taking place at Iceland Sports on March 24. They will play broomball, an amazing hockey-type game. The cost to attend is \$20. Please contact Mike Steklof at 238-2774 or msteklof@jewishlouisville.org to register.

Editor's Note: There are several photos from these teen events. They are available online at www.jewishlouisville.org.



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Film Festival Drew Crowds to Several Events

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

The hard work of the Jewish Film Festival Committee has been on display over the past two weeks, with a dozen films that offered a steady and varied stream of entertainment and educational opportunities.

Many of the films were shown at the Village 8 Theatres, but this year's festival also included several special events.

For the first time ever, the Jewish Community Center partnered with the Muhammad Ali Center for the showing of *A Bottle in the Gaza Sea* on February 10. The Muhammad Ali Center provided the venue and offered \$2 admission to its exhibits for all who came to view the film. Thanks to a generous grant from the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence, the Film Festival did not charge for admission to the film and offered a dessert reception afterward.

By showing the film – which told of the development of an unlikely e-mail friendship between a Palestinian teenage boy in Gaza and an Israeli girl that started with a message in a bottle – at the Muhammad Ali Center, the Jewish Film Festival was able to reach out to an audience it doesn't usually touch. The 2:30 p.m. scheduled showing sold out, so a second, unadvertised showing was arranged at 12:30 the same day, which permitted a total of 230 people to enjoy the film, moderated discussion and dessert.

Jewish Film Festival Director Marsha Bornstein said both the Muhammad Ali Museum and the JCC were pleased with the collaboration.

The Film Festival's second major event turned out to be fun from start to finish. How many times can Hava Nagila be sung in one film without getting old? It turns out, it can be done many, many times in many, many different ways. The film *Hava Nagila* traced the history of the song and put it in context with other Jewish and Israeli music and a bit of history.

The large group that came to Adath Jeshurun on February 17 for the film, dinner and a concert by The Lost Tribe had a good time. Some people even got up and danced to what else? Hava Nagila, of course. Adath Jeshurun's newly remodeled facilities added to the fun, as there were plenty of beautiful and comfortable places for people to sit, eat and schmooze.

As an added treat, Faye Davis celebrated her 96th birthday there.

As has become a tradition for the Jewish Film Festival, The Temple hosted three short films from the Ma'ale School of Television Film and the Arts in Jerusalem.

The February 18 program was sponsored by The Temple Brotherhood and was followed by a dessert reception provided by the Louisville Jewish Film Committee and The Temple.

When Community went to press, two films remained to be shown. Watch the next issue for a report on "Wilfrid Israel," a film with a Louisville connection.

The Jewish Film Festival Committee meets monthly for about nine months and reviews about 40 films each year to ensure the success of the event. "We are looking for variety," explained Bornstein. "We don't want too many documentaries or too many Holocaust films. We want to appeal to a cross-section of the community."

"The committee members are very opinionated," she continued, "and that makes for very dynamic discussions."

Keiley Caster is the committee chair, and has been serving in that capacity for four years. "Keiley is a true partner with me and is a very strong leader in every aspect of the Festival," Bornstein said.

Other dedicated members of the committee are Sandra Braunstein, Rabbi David Ariel-Joel, Michael Furey, Jan Glaubinger, Lisa Goldberg, Angeline Golden, Meryl Kasdan, Louis Levy, Cantor David Lipp, Janet Naamani, Pami, Shelly Rifkin and Susan Waterman.

Major funders of the 2013 Jewish Film Festival are Congregation Adath Jeshurun, Bonnie Bizer, The Rosa Gladstein Fund,



Jewish Film Festival Committee Chair Keiley Caster and Director Marsha Bornstein

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Partnership 2Gether Looks toward the Future at Steering Committee Meetings

by Tal Koren

During the last week in January, the Jewish Agency's Western Galilee-Central Area Consortium Partnership 2Gether Steering Committee met in the Western Galilee to review the achievements of the past year and make plans for the future. Twelve people representing seven of the 12 communities on the American side of the Partnership joined representatives of the Partnership management, the coordinators and volunteers from the Israeli side.

During their visit to the Western Galilee, the U.S. representatives saw firsthand the joint projects. They also met with key figures, and toured sites in the area, including the Ghetto Fighters House Museum, Nahariya Hospital, the Tunisian Synagogue, and the Old City of Akko.

The Jewish Agency's Partnership 2gether is a unique initiative, which connects 550 communities throughout the world by means of 45 partnerships in Israel. As a local effort with national influence, each Partnership in the program provides the opportunity for a connection between communities in Israel and overseas. At the same time, interpersonal relationships are also formed and thrive through a joint community process.

The Western Galilee-Central Area Consortium Partnership includes Austin, Canton, Des Moines, Dayton, Indianapolis, Louisville, North and West Indiana, Omaha, San Antonio, South Bend, Toledo, Youngstown, Akko, Matte Asher and Budapest. The Partnership has been active for 16 years and encourages joint efforts, which enable the building of relationships through programs that strengthen Jewish identity and the connections between Israel and the USA.

Louisville has been part of the program since its inception.

The many volunteers and the team of coordinators work together, examine important issues, bring reactions from the field for discussion, determine milestones, set targets and define budgets to achieve them. The involvement and co-operation create mutual contribution and productivity, mainly in the areas of values, community, and education, and provide fertile ground for economic development.

One of the most exciting and far-reaching aspects of the Partnership project platform is the mutual exchange of ideas. Volunteers from the world communities, who visit the Western Galilee in order to become involved in the process, reinforce their communities when they return. The Partnership platform leads ongoing

change in Israeli society and in the Jewish communities overseas.

Consortium coordinator Jan Goldstein and Eran El-Bar head the Western Galilee-Central Area Consortium Partnership. The Partnership management chairs, who work voluntarily, are Zoe Reikes, the U.S. chair, and David Laron, on the Israeli side.

There are also paid coordinators and volunteer chairs and activists who serve on a number of task forces, including art and the community, medicine, resource development, education, regional development, and incoming missions.

Editor's note: The rest of this article contains details of ongoing projects and a discussion of plans for future projects. To read about the opportunities available for you, go to www.jewishlouisville.org. Community articles can be found under "What's Happening."



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Dennis Ogbe - Nigeria

Dennis Ogbe is a global community re-

lations specialist with Brown-Forman. He is an international Paralympic champion, both from his home country and the U.S.; and holds the American records in discus and shot put. He's also an international advocate and spokesperson for the eradication of polio throughout the world.

Vidya Ravichandran - India

Vidya Ravichandran is president of GlowTouch Technologies, a global IT powerhouse that provides turnkey technology and outsourcing solutions to small, medium and enterprise-sized businesses nationwide. Through her leadership, GlowTouch is on the INC 500 list

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Shlomit Schaal, M.D., Ph.D. - Israel

Dr. Shlomit Schaal is an associate professor of ophthalmology at the University of Louisville. A vetreo-retinal specialist, she serves as the director of the Diabetic Retinopathy Service and is involved in cutting-edge research in ocular biochemistry and molecular biology relating to macular degeneration and diabetes reti-

nopathy. She is also a competitive swimmer and serves on the Sports Medicine and Science Committee of the U.S. Masters Swimming Educational Program.

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JCL Update

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not completely out of the woods, we are intrepidly moving into what I call JCL Phase II – a concerted shift of focus from correcting internal matters, that have now been mostly resolved, to directing more efforts toward improving Louisville's Jewish community in six areas.

These areas were determined by our community as the highest priority areas through an extensive process involving all our congregations, JFCS and JCL staff, the JCL Board of Directors and volunteers. Each of these areas is equally important. More detail for each will be included in upcoming issues of Community.

- Kehilla (community) – creates leadership development that recruits and prepares young leaders to become active volunteers in our community's agencies, ensures comprehensive community planning and communication, and engages youth and teens.
- G'milut Chasadim (acts of loving kindness) – provides hunger relief overseas and locally through JFCS's food pantry, and scholarships for Jewish education and camp.
- Talmud Torah (Jewish education) – educates our community through the many supplemental Jewish educational opportunities in town for students, adults and young families.
- Hiddur P'nei Zaken (cherishing the elderly) – ensures our seniors are fed, transported, exercised and enriched through social and educational programs so they can maintain the highest quality possible independent lives.
- Tikkun Olam (repair the world) advocates for social action and responsibility, legislative action and interfaith relations through the fine work of our Jewish Community Relations Council.
- Ahavat Yisrael (love of Israel and

Jewish peoplehood) – connects with and advocates for Israel through participation in programs including Birthright Israel, Partnership 2Gether, and a variety of other travel experiences for our young adults.

By focusing on these six areas, and more if we can find the resources, we will strengthen our community and become more resolute in ensuring our survival.

JCL Phase II is a commitment to the community that we are here for everyone; yet we can't do it alone. How can you help move our community forward?

You already know the answers. It's easy as 1-2-3.

Participate in our programming and encourage your children to do so.

Volunteer your time (see list of opportunities below).

Support the 2013 Jewish Federation of Louisville Annual Campaign by attending our events and contributing as generously as you are able.

We are a volunteer-led organization. What does that mean? It means representatives of our community govern the agency. Our staff is comprised of talented professionals who lead and implement our work, but it's the entire community to whom we are ultimately accountable. The JCL's committees support the community in a wide variety of areas and are overseen by the Board of Directors. If you are willing to commit some time and effort, please let us know, and we will work with you to find a match that meets your needs and the needs of the community.

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To volunteer to participate in strengthening our community and supporting the JCL, please send an e-mail explaining your interests to jcl@jewishlouisville.org, and we'll work with you to find the right opportunity for you.

It is only through your help that we will be able to make a difference in each priority area, and create a sustainable, vibrant and inviting Jewish community in Louisville for generations to come. Together, we will do extraordinary things.

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YAD Campaign Event Was a Fun-Filled Evening

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

The party room at The Pointe was buzzing with energy and excitement on Saturday evening, February 2, when more than 70 Jewish young adults gathered for the annual YAD (Young Adult Division) Campaign Event.

The room sparkled as people connected with old friends and made new ones. They socialized, listened to comedian Raanan Hershberg, enjoyed food and beverages, danced to music played by a DJ, posed for photo-booth photos and generally had a good time.

There was a serious side to the evening, too, as they checked out a slide show that showcased the important work made possible by the Annual Federation Campaign, sometimes picking out their own children in photos from JCC Summer Camp and other events. They also heard from YAD Chair Ariel Kronenberg and had the opportunity to make their pledges to the 2013 Campaign. Those who made their pledges that evening were entered in a raffle for a necklace valued at \$700.

Event Co-Chairs Keren Benabou and Faina Kronenberg had three goals for the evening: to bring more people to the YAD event than the previous year, to raise more money from the YAD event from the previous year and to ensure that people would have fun.

"I know we reached the first two goals," Benabou said. "Aside from raising money, we brought this group of young, smart, successful, really fun Jewish people together to get to know new people, to engage in conversations and just to have fun."

"I hope people walked away feeling that they're proud to be part of this community and looking forward to next year's event," added Kronenberg. "I hope they tell their friends what an amazing evening they missed."

Ariel Kronenberg made an impassioned plea for those in attendance to give from the heart to the Federation Campaign. He highlighted some of the programs made possible by the Campaign, including YAD events, Teen Connection, The PJ Library and many more. "To make all these things happen, the Jewish Community of Louisville depends on you," he said.

He also pointed out that the JCL has cut staff and is on the way to having a balanced budget. YAD is also being updated, he added. He expects the changes to include the elimination of an age designation, the development of a mission statement and a change in the name of the division. He encouraged those present to volunteer to help in the process, to attend future events and to spread the word to get more people involved.

Federation Campaign Chair Karen Abrams also spoke briefly, recalling that she and her husband, Jeff Glazer, started their volunteer careers in YAD. She was pleased to see future community leaders in the room and called on those present to make leadership gifts to the Campaign of at least 20 percent more than they gave last year.

Those in attendance responded. Those in attendance increased their gifts by 30 percent over last year. To date, YAD has raised \$54,908 for the 2013 Federation Campaign, a donor-for-donor increase of 22 percent.

Faina Kronenberg and Keren Benabou also explained that they made a point of

drawing resources for the event from the Jewish community. The venue, The Pointe, is owned by Barrett Tasman and his family. The event was catered by Rye, a restaurant owned Michael Trager-Kusman. The comedian, Raanan Hershberg, is a Louisville native and graduate of Eliahu Academy. The necklace that was raffled off and won by Caren Bailen was donated by Jewish-owned Genesis Diamonds. The alcoholic beverages were donated by

Heaven Hill Distilleries, owned by the Shapira family.

They expect the bar to be raised even higher for next year's event.

In addition to Benabou and Kronenberg, the event hosts were Tracy and Mark Geller, Heather and Seth Gladstein, Kate Kastenbaum, Jenna Koff, Laurence Nibur and Laura Pearson, Elizabeth Post, Shannon and Ed Rothschild, Abby and Barrett Tasman and Ben Vaughan.

The event co-chairs gave special thanks to Jewish Federation of Louisville Development Director Tziviva Levin Kalmes. "She's the glue that brings everything together," said Benabou.

"We came up with the ideas," added Kronenberg, "and she made them happen."

More photos available at www.jewishlouisville.org.

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Event Co-Chairs Faina Kronenberg and Keren Benabou



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Women at Campaign Event Hear How Shoretz Created Sharsheret

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

When Lion of Judah and Pomegranate Event co-chairs Janet Hodes, Alison Silberman and Jennifer Tuvlin confirmed that they were able to bring Rochelle Shoretz to Louisville to speak on January 24, they knew they wanted to give all the women in the community the opportunity to hear her. To accomplish this, they planned a din-

ner for the Lions and the Pomegranates at Standard Country Club, during which the women could meet and talk with the dynamic founder of Sharsheret, and added a dessert reception open to all women in the community, during which Shoretz shared her story.

Safeguarding your own health is one of the most important things you can do, Shoretz told the women, and one of the

easiest and most important things you can do is a monthly breast self examination. Women should also have yearly clinical exams and mammograms every year after age 40.

Shoretz was speaking from experience. Just days before her 29th birthday, she found a small gray spot on her breast and felt a lump that was not present on the other side. It was malignant.

As a young woman dealing with the fear, uncertainty and dramatic changes brought on by dealing with cancer, she looked for another young Jewish woman who had been through the experience and could serve as a peer mentor for her.

Cancer among women that young is rare – it strikes only one in 2,000 – and is usually a more aggressive type and is often gender sensitive.

A young woman dealing with cancer must also consider how her disease will affect her dating or married life as well as decisions about having and/or raising children. If there are children involved, how and what should the woman share with them, and are they at greater risk of cancer? If she is unmarried, how and when should she tell her partner?

If the woman is also observant, there is also the layer of ritual issues to consider. Cancer treatment involves body changes from the loss of hair to surgical changes, often to very private areas. A married woman wears a wig to cover her hair. What are the implications for an unmarried woman dealing with hair loss? And what if the woman chooses to keep her condition private? How does this affect going to the mikvah?

There are also genetic questions that must be answered. It is known that the BRCA1 and 2 genetic mutations increase the likelihood that a woman will develop cancer in her lifetime. In the general population, one in 345 women carries the defective gene. Among Ashkenazi Jewish women, one in 40 carries it.

Finding a peer mentor proved difficult, but Shoretz is not only resilient, she is resourceful. The support network she needed didn't exist, so she created it. Sharsheret, the Hebrew word for link, as in a chain link fence, came into existence to link women facing cancer, particularly young Jewish women, with other women the same age and in similar circumstances who have been through the same kind of cancer and treatment.

Since its founding, Sharsheret has created more than 24,000 links, creating support networks for newly diagnosed breast cancer patients. In fact, Sharsheret is a nationwide network and, thanks to easy access to telephones and the internet, the "links" don't have to live close to each other.

In the course of her talk, Shoretz revealed that she is once again dealing with cancer. This time, Sharsheret is there to provide her with the resources she needs to live with stage four cancer.

Sharsheret also fosters local support groups in addition to serving as a national resource, and is supported by donations, including grants from Federations across the country. In addition, the group recently received a three-year \$1 million grant from the U.S. government for outreach.

Karen Abrams, the 2013 Federation Campaign chair, gave a brief update on the changes that have taken place at the Jewish Community of Louisville in the past year and encouraged those present to give generously to the Campaign.

Janet Hodes welcomed everyone and encouraged them to attend upcoming events, including the Young Adult Campaign Event, Super Sunday, the Jewish Film Festival and CenterStage's production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*.

Jennifer Tuvlin introduced Shoretz and Alison Silberman designed the decorations.



Event Co-Chairs Alison Silberman, Janet Hodes and Jennifer Tuvlin



Laura Klein and Amy Ryan
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Кампании Федерации 2013

Для Кампании Федерации 2013 Года этот месяц оказался очень занятым. Рошель Шорец, основательница Шашерета, организации, предоставляющей помощь молодым еврейским женщинам, страдающим от рака груди, будет докладчиком на одном из мероприятий Кампании, на которое приглашаются все женщины Общины.

Другим мероприятием Кампании будет вечер, организованный Молодежным Отделением, на котором выступит комик Раанан Хершберг. Будут танцы и ужин, а также и возможность для присутствующих взять на себя обязательство внести свой вклад в Кампанию. В прошлое воскресенье, 17 февраля, было Супер Воскресенье, ежегодный телемарфон Кампании Федерации. На сегодняшний день для 2013 Кампании Федерации было собрано \$1,000,409.

Это хороший старт, однако община нуждается еще в более, чем \$2 миллионах долларов. Таким образом, нам предстоит еще долгий путь к достижению поставленной цели.

Деньги, собранные Ежегодной Кампанией, пойдут на оплату программы кошерных ланчей, программы "Пища На Колесах", программы Для Пожилых и многое другое в Центре Еврейской Общины /ЦЕО/. Это позволяет ЦЕО оказывать помощь тем, кто не может оплатить такие расходы, как летние лагеря, специальные программы и деятельность молодежных групп, предоставив еврейским детям стипендии.

Доллары Ежегодной Кампании дают возможность Jewish Family & Career Services предлагать свои услуги по скользящей шкале, так что те, кто нуждается в помощи и не может заплатить полную сумму за оказанные услуги, имеет возможность заплатить столько, сколько он может. JFCS предлагает семейные программы и оказывает поддержку группам совершенно бесплатно. Они помогают тем, кто потерял работу найти ее и предлагает консультации семьям и людям, стоящим перед лицом различных проблем, от насилия до разводов и опеки или выбора школы. Они предлагают также услуги пожилым людям.

Доллары Ежегодной Кампании поддерживают еврейское образование в разных местах и помогает нам выполнить взятые на себя обязательства оказывать помощь еврейским общинам по всему миру, включая бывший Советский Союз. Эти доллары идут также в Общество Помощи Еврейской Иммиграции.

Еврейская Община Луивилла, Центр Еврейской Общины, Еврейские Семейные и Карьерные Услуги, а также и наши еврейские образовательные институты не являются правительственными институтами. Все они полностью зависят от долларов Ежегодной Кампании, чтобы продолжать свою деятельность, посвященную Еврейской Общине.

Каждый Ваш взнос, большой или малый, имеет значение. Так что, будьте щедрыми и делайте свой вклад в 2013 Кампанию Федерации.

Чтобы внести Ваш денежный вклад, позвоните в Офис Развития Федерации по 238-2739 или пошлите свой чек в Jewish Federation of Louisville Campaign, 3600 Dutchmans Ln., Louisville, KY 40205.

Если Вы предпочитаете взять на себя обязательство в 2013 Кампанию Федерации теперь, то Вам останется заплатить эти деньги до 31 декабря.

Иосиф и Удивительная Техникolor Одежда Мечта

Более 60 человек театра Сентер Стэйдж будут заняты в мюзикле "Иосиф и Удивительная Техникolor Одежда Мечта" Эндрю Ллойда Веббера/ Тима Райса, начиная с сегодняшнего дня до 3 марта.

Основанная на библейской истории об Иосифе и его разноцветной одежде, эта пьеса представляет собой монтаж из музыкальных пьес в широком ряду разнообразных стилей, включая кантри-вестерн, калипсо, бабл-гам поп и рок энд ролл.

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доллара.

Билеты можно заказать по 459-0660 или по www.CenterStageJCC.org для Joseph and Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.

Музыкальный Фестиваль 2013 Адат Джешурун

В воскресенье, 3 марта будет новый вид Еврейского Мартовского Веселья на Голубой Траве вместе с Музыкальным Фестивалем 2013 синагоги Адат Джешурун: Голубая Трава вместе с Еврейским Сасс начнется в 7 часов вечера.

В этом году специальным гостем для 2013 Музыкального Фестиваля Ван дер Вальде Розенблаума будет Хаззан Майк Стейн, кантор синагоги Темпл Алия в Лос Анджелесе, который присоединится к кантору Дэвиду Липпу со своей частью музыки Еврейского Фестиваля на Голубой траве.

Этот концерт будет записан для будущего исполнения на WFPK 91.9FM Kentucky Homefront с Джоном Кэйджем и выступлением легенды Голубой Травы Стивом Кули, феноменальным басистом Лореном Вайтом из Сторфронт Конгрегации, кантором Шэрон Хордс из Кенесет Израэл и общим хором для молодежи и взрослых Еврейской Оуицины.

Билет стоит \$12,50, и \$10 для учащихся и пожилых и \$15 для купленных у входа.

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Food Pantry suggestions for March-pancake mix and syrup, hot cereals, snack sized items (like raisins, granola bars, chips), juice boxes, spaghetti sauce, shampoo, conditioner.

All donated food must be in its original packaging. Please exclude expired items from your donation. Contact Kim Toebebe, ext. 103 or ktoebbe@jfcsloouisville.org.

Special Events

Family Mitzvah Passover Event

Sunday, March 17
1:30-3 p.m.

Enjoy a fun family afternoon of Passover arts and crafts! Our Mitzvah project is to help organize Passover food baskets to be distributed to those in need. Please bring food donations for the JFCS food pantry. RSVP by March 13 to Kim Toebebe, ext. 223.

Caregiver Survival Training

Thursday, April 11
8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
University of
Louisville Shelby
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Union Ballroom



Featured speaker is nationally known Elaine Sanchez, a healthcare speaker/author and founder of CaregiverHelp.com, a website that helps people cope with the stress of caregiving.

Breakfast and lunch provided. CEU credits will be available. For more information, contact Mauri Malka, director of the JFCS Klein Older Adult Services, ext. 250 or mmalka@jfcsloouisville.org.

Funding provided by the Jewish Heritage Mitzvah Fund.

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JFCS offers a variety of free caregiver support groups at the Louis & Lee Roth Family Center. Learn about community resources and bringing balance to your life.

Caregiver Support Group

For Adult Children of Aging Parents
Fourth Thursday of the month, 7 p.m.
Contact Mauri Malka, ext. 250.

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group

Second Thursday of the Month, 1 p.m.
Contact Connie Austin, ext. 305.

Diabetes Support Group

Third Monday of each month at 2 p.m.
For individuals with diabetes to talk about
having a chronic condition and share the
ways they cope. Contact Edie Mahaffey,
ext. 309.

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

Third Friday of each month at 2 p.m.
For individuals who are caring for a person
with Alzheimer's or other cognitive im-
pairment. Contact Kim Toebebe at ext. 103.

Career & Education Services

Job Seekers Resource Group

March 11-April 22; 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
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Max Shapira is one of four local business leaders who will be inducted into the Kentuckiana Business Hall of Fame, a program of Junior Achievement of Kentuckiana, on February 28. Shapira is the president of **Heaven Hill Distilleries**.

Thanks to **Nathan** and **Amy Fouts** of

MommysBestGames.com for donating an X-box and games to the JCC Teen Department. Teens are now able to play X-box in Game Central when hanging out at the JCC. The X-Box and games were even used at a recent Teen Connection event.

Louisville native **Jonathan M. Katz** was in town for two events related to his acclaimed new book about the devastating 2010 Haiti earthquake, *The Big Truck That Went By: How the World Came to Save Haiti and Left Behind a Disaster* (Palgrave Macmillan).

A former Associated Press correspondent, Katz – the only full-time American journalist based in Haiti at the time – survived the destruction and stayed through the year following to report on its aftermath. He received the 2010 Medill Medal for Courage in Journalism for his work there.

Apply Now for Shrader College Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted by the Community Foundation of Louisville for the Harry Isaac Shrader Scholarship for assistance with undergraduate college tuition.

During his lifetime, Harry Isaac Shrader had a great interest in the education of Jewish youth. To perpetuate that concern, he made a bequest to The Temple, which established the scholarship fund in his name to provide financial assistance for full-time Jewish undergraduate students enrolled at any accredited college, university, junior college or community college for the 2013-2014 school year. Eligible applicants must live in Jefferson County; assistance is based on

financial need and funds available for grants.

Applications must be postmarked by March 15, and are available online from The Community Foundation of Louisville's website at <http://scholarship.cflouisville.org/> or from Meredith Zahirovic, Community Leadership Associate, The Community Foundation of Louisville, 325 West Main St., Ste. 1110, Louisville, KY 40202. An interview may be necessary.

For more information, contact Meredith Zahirovic at The Community Foundation, 585-4649 ext 1031 or email meredithz@cflouisville.org.

The Temple Honored Troop 30 on Scout Shabbat

by Lewis Rowe

Rabbi Joe Rapport welcomed the 40 scouts of Troop 30 to the January 25, Founders Day and Scout Shabbat at The Temple. The scouts and their parents recited the blessings for candles and wine to welcome the Sabbath bride.

Rabbi thanked the Troop 30 for their long service to the Temple. Several former scoutmasters were in attendance, including Jacques Morris (1960's), Stuart Grossman (1970's) and Scoutmaster for Life Dr. Stan Frager, who led the troop in the 1980's and 1990's.

Current Scoutmaster Dan Sturtzel gave the remarks on behalf of troop 30.

The scouts had their 25th consecutive summer week at Camp Crooked Creek

last June. The trip enabled scouts to earn merit badges, fish, canoe and hike in the wilderness. In July, Troop 30 traveled for a two-week Canadian camping extravaganza.

This year the troop had six Eagle Scout ceremonies, the most recent of which was for Jake Keisler.

Scoutmaster Sturtzel reported that troop members completed 10,000 hours of service in 2012.

In closing, he reminded the congregation that the Troop meets every Thursday evening from 7-9 p.m. in The Temple's Klein Center. New members are always welcome.

Troop 30 will soon celebrate 100 years of Jewish scouting in Louisville.

On February 20, he was the featured speaker at the World Affairs Council of Kentucky and Southern Indiana dinner and discussion; and on February 21, he did a book reading and led a discussion at Carmichael's Books.

Visit carmichaelsbookstore.com or us.macmillan.com/author/jonathanmkatz for information about the book.

Karyn Moskowitz, executive director of New Roots; **Summer Auerbach**, Rainbow Blossom Natural Food Markets; **Sasha Belenky**, YMCA of Greater Louisville; **Alice Bridges**, KentuckyOne Health; and **Jeff Calderon**, Deming, Malone, Livesay & Ostroff, have been named 2013 Bingham Fellows.

Mike Rozensher has accepted a position with Foley & Lardner, LLP as an associate in their Private Equity & Venture Capital practice. Rozensher will reside with his wife, Nina Robinson, in Jamaica Plain, MA.

Adath Jeshurun is featured in the February edition of *Louisville Magazine*. AJ member **David Serchuk** wrote an article entitled "As Good as Old," about AJ's Holocaust torah.

Jeb Teichman, MD, has been hired as the new Medical Director for CareSource in Louisville, Kentucky. He is a director for the Humana – CareSource™ alliance in Kentucky. CareSource is a non-profit health plan headquartered in Dayton, OH.

Correction

In the January 25 issue of *Community*, we reported that the January 24 episode of HGTV's popular show "Househunters" featured Louisville's Highlands neighborhood and featured Michelle Bornstein and her brother Bobby. We neglected to report that Bornstein's realtor, **Marsha Segal** of Semonin Realtors was also featured.

According to Segal, "Judging from Facebook, texts, e-mails and phone calls, the program was a great success. And

Michelle's search resulted in the purchase of a wonderful new home back in Louisville. The city looked marvelous and it was a great advertisement for Louisville!"

Keep an eye on the listings, as HGTV re-airs popular episodes frequently.

We apologize for the omission.

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Around Town

Saturday, February 23

The Cat in the Kippah? Green Eggs and Pastrami? Chorton Cheers a Chwho? Yes and No! Keneseth Israel and Temple Shalom will present a Dr. Seuss Purim event starring Cantors Sharon Hordes and Adelle Nicholson and Rabbis Stan Miles and Michael Wolk on Saturday, February 23, at 7 p.m. at Keneseth Israel. The community is invited.

Saturday, February 23

The community is invited to celebrate Purim at Anshei Sfard on Saturday, February 23 at 7:30 p.m. The Megillah reading will be followed by refreshments.

Fridays in March

Adath Jeshurun offers a weekly Lunch & Learn Talmud Study, held in downtown Louisville. Bring a brown-bag dairy lunch and join Rabbi Slosberg and Cantor Lipp for a lively discussion. Prior knowledge of Jewish texts and Hebrew are not required.

Classes take place in the office of Steve Berger at 500 W. Jefferson St. on Fridays at 12:15 p.m. Classes this month are on March 1, 8, 15, and 22.

For more information, please contact Adult Education Coordinator Deborah Slosberg at dslosberg@adathjeshurun.com or 458-5359. This class is open to the community.

Friday, March 1

Temple Shalom invites the community to join them as the Women of Temple Shalom (WOTS) celebrates 100 years of

Reform Judaism Sisterhoods on Friday, March 1, beginning with an Oneg at 5:30 p.m., followed by the service at 6:30.

Friday, March 1

FOR and Interfaith Paths to Peace invite all Jefferson County high school students to enter the seventh annual Fellowship of Reconciliation (FOR) Peace Essay Contest by writing an essay on using nonviolent strategies to accomplish one of the following: reducing violence in our city; preventing war in Iran; decreasing violence against women; or solving an issue in your community or the world that is important to you.

Winners will receive cash prizes and awards will be presented in schools. Winning essays will be published in the FOR monthly, *FORsooth*.

Ask English or Social Studies teachers for details and guidelines, or visit louisville-for.org to find them online. If you have questions, email FORessaycontest@gmail.com. Entry deadline is March 1.

Saturday, March 2

Anshei Sfard invites the community to join them in celebrating Shabbos with song, prayer and a kiddush luncheon on Saturday, March 2. Services begin at 9 a.m. with a Taste of Shabbos program (song and prayer) beginning at 11 a.m. A sit-down kiddush luncheon will begin at 12 noon.

Saturday, March 2

Parents and students in grades K-7 are invited to join Congregation Adath Jeshurun for the next Short & Sweet Jr. Congregation, March 2 at 10:30 a.m. in the David and Jonathan Blue Family Sanctuary.

Please e-mail Deborah Slosberg at dslosberg@adathjeshurun.com if your child would like to prepare a short Torah reading (trope not necessary).

Saturday, March 2

Tickets are being sold through March 2 for The Temple's \$20,000 50/50 Fundraiser.

Only 200 tickets will be sold at \$100 each. You can buy them individually or in a group. All ticket purchasers, whether the sole holder of the ticket or part of a group, are invited to attend the celebration cocktail party hosted by Beth and Michael Salamon on March 2.

Cocktails and refreshments start at 8 p.m., with the drawing taking place at 9 p.m. The lucky winner does not have to be present to win. The winner will share the prize with The Temple in a 50/50 split of all money raised.

Reservations are required to attend the party. Make your reservation or purchase a ticket by calling The Temple at 423-1818.

Sunday, March 3

The Anshei Sfard Book Club will meet at 11 a.m. in the Shul library. The book for discussion is *On All Other Nights* by Dara Horn, and will be led by Maureen Friedman, moderator.

Upcoming next month is *Mossad: The Greatest Missions of the Israeli Secret Service* by Michael Bar-Zohar and Nissim Mishal, on April 7. The moderator for April will be Golda Litvin.

Sunday, March 3

The Keneseth Israel Institute's People of the Book...Club will meet on March 3 at 3 p.m. at KI to discuss *Israel's Pharaoh*, a historical adventure novel about an alleged 1939 hieroglyphic discovery that implied an Egyptian pharaoh may have been an Israelite. The author, Dr. Steven Derfler, is an archaeologist and retired professor. For more information, call 459-2780 or e-mail kicongregation@kenesethisrael.com.

Sundays, March 3 and March 10

The KI Chai Institute of Learning brings you two one-evening programs in preparation for Passover. "The Kosher Game of Life: Hide the Bread Edition," a class discussing kosher living during Passover, will be held on Sunday, March 3. "Seder Sharing," a roundtable discussion of personal Seder and Passover traditions, will be on Sunday, March 10. Both events will take place after 5:45 p.m. Minyan at Keneseth Israel. The programs will begin shortly after 6 p.m. All are invited.

Monday, March 4

The topic for the March meeting of Temple Shalom's Adult Education program topic is "The History of Jewish Food." Roz Shaffer will present the program, describing how, as Jews have settled throughout history, they have brought their culinary traditions with them, and also have adapted their laws and holiday meals to locally available food. If you like eating and history, you will enjoy this presentation on March 4 at 7 p.m. at Temple Shalom.

Tuesdays, March 5 and March 19

Congregation Adath Jeshurun offers a free "Introduction to Judaism/Conversion" course. This course currently has more than 20 active participants, and new students are welcome to join at any time. This is for anyone interested in ex-

ploring Judaism – interfaith couples, Jews looking for adult-level basics and people considering conversion.

The class is taught by Rabbi Robert Slosberg and meets on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. at Adath Jeshurun.

For more information, please contact Adult Education Coordinator Deborah Slosberg at dslosberg@adathjeshurun.com or call 458-5359.

Wednesdays in March

"Jews and Brews," a one-hour morning class led by Rabbi Wolk, gathers over coffee to study the weekly Torah portion through the prisms of both ancient and modern commentary. The community is welcome to join this study each Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the JCC.

Wednesday, March 6

The Adath Jeshurun Book Club will discuss *The Tattooed Rabbi* by Marvin J. Wolf on March 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the AJ New Classroom.

To commemorate Holocaust Remembrance Day, the AJ Book Club will discuss three young-adult novels on Wednesday, April 10: *The Book Thief* by Marcus Zusak, *The Devil's Arithmetic* by Jane Yolen, and *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne.

New members are welcome. For more information, please contact Deborah Slosberg at dslosberg@adathjeshurun.com or 458-5359.

Wednesday, March 6

Anshei Sfard Knit & Qvell Circle will meet on at 1 p.m. in the Shul library. All knitters and want-to-be knitters are invited to attend. All knitted items are donated to the Jefferson County Public Schools Clothes Closet.

Wednesdays

Anshei Sfard hosts a series Torah Study sessions on Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. Upcoming topics are "Making A Difference" on March 6, "The Freedom Ride" on March 13, and "A Stranger To Passover" on March 20. The community is invited.

Thursday, March 7

The Temple Shalom Israeli Folk Dancers will be learning and performing a dance in combination with Passover. Practice is tentatively set to begin on March 7 at 7 p.m. If you are interested in joining or have any questions, please contact JoAnna Weiss at 533-6468.

Friday, March 8

The Temple will hold a Social Action Fair during the Oneg Shabbat on March 8 at 8 p.m. Representatives will be on hand from Jewish Family and Career Services, WaterStep, Volunteers of America, Gilda's Club and Family Scholar House.

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The event is sponsored by The Temple's Tikkun Olam Volunteers (TOV Network), who also will present special guests at that evening's Shabbat Service at 7 p.m., during which they will feature young adults from Youth Build, Louisville's award-winning education, job training, and leadership program.

March 8-9

Enjoy a Shabbat celebrating another successful year of fully supported twice-daily egalitarian minyan services and pay tribute to AJ's 2012 Minyanaires of the Year, Dr. Arthur Isaacs and Dr. Barbara Isaacs Hymson. On Friday, March 8, the Kabbalat Shabbat Service takes place at 5:45 p.m., with the Shabbat Dinner & Awards Ceremony following at 6:30. On Saturday, March 9, Minyanaires will participate and have special honors at the 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Service. A festive kiddush lunch honoring all of the Minyanaires will follow the service.

Dinner only for Minyanaires is \$18 per person (subsidized price); guests are \$25 per person. Sponsorship opportunities are available. To make reservations, please visit adathjeshurun.com by Monday, March 4. For questions, contact Molly Evancho at mevancho@adathjeshurun.com or call 458-5359.

Minyanaire Shabbat is underwritten by The Rabbi Robert B. Slosberg Minyan Fund. Additionally, The Rabbi Simcha Kling Memorial Fund helps to make this weekend possible.

Sunday, March 10

The Louisville Master Chorale has announced an innovative choral program based on works inspired by Psalms over past centuries. Mark Walker, artistic director, has chosen six compositions spanning diverse settings, concluding the concert with *Chichester Psalms*.

Sung in Hebrew, *Chichester Psalms* was composed by Leonard Bernstein more than 40 years ago. More than 60 voices combine with organ, harp, brass, and a mix of percussion instruments to provide a memorable concert experience.

The concert will be March 10 at 2:30 p.m. at Harvey Browne Presbyterian Church. There will be a pre-concert program with David Paul Gibson at 1:45. Tickets are \$20. For more information, call Paul Shoemaker, 387-8416.

Monday, March 11

The Keneseth Israel Men's Club invites the community to dinner and a panel of speakers from the Louisville Metro Police Department, including LMPD Chief Steve Conrad, Fifth Division Commander Major Mark Fox, and Citizen Police Academy Coordinator Matthew Gelhausen.

The chili dinner starts at 6 p.m.; speakers from 6:45-8. The dinner is \$5 per person. Reservations required by Friday, March 8; e-mail mensclub@kenesethisrael.com or call 459-2780.

Tuesday, March 12

Temple Shalom's sisterhood (WOTS) will provide dinner for Gilda's Club on Tuesday, March 12. Volunteers are needed for every aspect of preparing this dinner: purchasing groceries, food preparation, serving and clean-up. Please volunteer by calling 637-3547.

Saturday, March 16

The Temple's WRJ/Sisterhood joins its national organization in celebrating the 100th anniversary of Women of Reform Judaism with a special luncheon on March 16 at 12 noon in The Temple's Klein Center. It will feature musical entertainment by singer Jennifer Diamond.

This event follows the special Shabbat Service and oneg from the previous evening, at which the Sisterhood will begin their centennial celebration and honor the women who served as past presidents.

The lunch is \$5 and a donation of five canned goods is requested. To make your reservation, call 423-1818 by March 8.

Saturday, March 23

Gather a team of eight Trivia Brains, or come on your own and put a table together with other Brains looking for a team. Temple Shalom, March 23 at 6 p.m. \$12.50 per person; food available for a small cost. RSVP to 458-4739. Everyone welcome.

Monday, March 25

The Keneseth Israel Sisterhood invites you to its 2013 Community Seder on Monday, March 25. Services will be at 5:45 p.m., and the Seder will follow.

The meal, featuring a chicken-salmon duet (\$36 per adult) or a vegetarian option (\$30 per adult), will be prepared by Chef Greg of Mirabelle Catering. Either meal is \$18 per child age 3-10. No charge for children under 3.

Your check, postmarked by March 11, is your reservation. Check kenesethisrael.com, call 459-2780, or e-mail sisterhood@kenesethisrael.com for where to send your reservation and more information.

Tuesday, March 26

Join your family and friends at Adath Jeshurun on March 26 at 6:15 p.m. for a second-night Passover Seder led by Rabbi Slosberg. The "Short & Sweet Seder" blends brevity with tradition, featuring the high points of the traditional seder in a brief period of time. A Haggadah will be provided for each participant at no additional charge. Cost is \$45 per adult and \$20 per child (ages 6-12) for AJ members; \$55 per adult and \$25 per child for guests.

The seder is open to the entire community, but space is limited and seats are offered on a first-come-first-served basis. Reservations are due by March 18. Reservations received after March 18 will be placed on a waiting list and filled only if others cancel. Sitter service is available at no charge, by reservation ONLY. To reserve your space, register and pay online at adathjeshurun.com or e-mail Molly Evancho at mevancho@adathjeshurun.com.

Sunday, March 31

Deborah Dillon and Rabbi Slosberg lead a "Living Smart" workshop at Adath Jeshurun, 10 a.m. on March 31, on how to create an Emergency Backup Planner for the uncertain events that happen to everyone. This workshop includes what to think about as you create an Emergency Backup Planner, instructions for use, written authorizations everyone should have on file, and specific laws that make advance planning necessary.

All participants receive a software CD, a deluxe binder and an Emergency Notification Card.

The cost for the workshop and CD is \$36, which Deborah Dillon is generously donating to Adath Jeshurun. If you previously purchased a Living Smart software CD, the workshop is free. You can find out more about the Living Smart program by visiting livingsmartguides.com.

To reserve your space at the workshop, send a check payable to "AJ" to the attention of Deborah Slosberg, or make your reservation online at adathjeshurun.com. If you've already purchased the CD, make your free reservation by contacting Slosberg at dslosberg@adathjeshurun.com or 458-5359.

Tuesday, April 9

Dr. Lee Shai Weissbach will present the 2013 Naamani Memorial Lecture on April 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Chao Auditorium of the Ekstrom Library on the University of Louisville campus.

In "The Jewish History of Small-Town America," Dr. Weissbach will focus on the heyday of small-town Jewish life in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

This lecture includes a slide presentation highlighting the ways in which visual images related to small-town Jewish life can help enrich our understanding of the Jewish experience in smaller communities.

Refreshments will be served following the talk. The event is free and open to the public. Pay parking for the lecture is available in the Speed Museum parking garage. For more information, call Jasmine Farrier at 852-3310.

At Your Convenience

University of Louisville Libraries needs help to make *The Louisville Leader*, a sought-after historical source, more accessible to people who want to study Louisville's black history.

Several years ago, U of L microfilmed copies of issues that survived a 1954 fire. Efforts to digitize the microfilm for internet use, however, have not resulted in a fully searchable.

Archives and Special Collections needs people to transcribe the digitized microfilm images so they can be searched online. People who want to help can go to the project page at uofl.me/lib-LouisvilleLeader, read the instructions, choose an article to transcribe and start typing.

For more information, contact Carrie Daniels at 852-6676 or e-mail carrie.daniels@louisville.edu.

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Births



Blair Bailen

Lisa and Neal Bailen are thrilled to announce the birth of their daughter, Blair Elisabeth Bailen, on January 10.

Blair is the granddaughter of Sandy and Jim Bailen and

Dot and Charlie Brandenburg. Her great-grandparents are Shirley Bailen and Doris Brandenburg and the late Ursel and Louis Eichengreen, David Bailen, Charles Brandenburg and Frances and Edmund Schulz.

Melody Sofia Schuhmann

Cantor Sharon Hordes and George Schuhmann are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Melody Sofia Schuhmann, on January 12.

Also celebrating her arrival are grandparents Donald and Elaine Hordes of Cincinnati, OH and Jo Ann Burke of Louisville, KY, and aunts Lucy Schuhmann of Louisville, KY, and Amy Hordes Erbe of New York City, NY. They thank the Jewish Louisville community for all of their love and support!



B'nai Mitzvah



Jonathan Bryce Endicott

Jonathan Bryce Endicott, son of Jill and Mark Endicott and brother of Lindsay, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday,

Feb. 23 at 10:30 a.m., at The Temple.

Jonathan is the grandson of Ethel and the late Stanley Lowenbraun, and Ron and Judy Endicott.

Jonathan is in the seventh grade at Kentucky Country Day School where he is a member of the lacrosse, football, and basketball teams. Jonathan enjoys spending time with his friends, playing bass guitar in his band, Those Kids, and other standard 12-year-old boy activities.

Jonathan volunteers for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF), Kentucky chapter, which funds scientific research to cure and improve the treatment of diabetes. For his bar mitzvah project Jonathan worked as a volunteer at JDRF's Louisville Walk To Cure Diabetes, and to prepare for the JDRF Gala, which his family attends annually.

Jonathan and his family invite the community to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah and the Kiddush luncheon following the service.

Bailey Hatzell

Jodi and Tim Hatzell are pleased to announce that their daughter Bailey Claire will become a bat mitzvah on March 2 at the Havdalah service at The Temple.

Bailey is the sister of Dori and Ariel Hatzell; granddaughter of Carole and Sheldon Rifkin, Bonnie and Bill Dollinger, and Karen and Michael Hatzell.

As a seventh-grader at Barret Traditional Middle School, she is an active French horn player in the school's band and has participated in the last two seasons of JCPS's All County Band. Bailey's love for animals has led her to volunteer at the Kentucky Humane Society as a part of her mitzvah project.



Engagement

Newstadt-Reicher

Robert and Mark Newstadt are happy to announce the



engagement of their son, Gregory Evan Newstadt, to Michelle Ashley Reicher, daughter of Oscar and Terri Reicher of Pompton Lakes, NJ.

Greg recently completed his Ph.D. in electrical engineering at the University of Michigan, and is currently a post-doctoral researcher and lecturer at the university. Michelle is pursuing her Ph.D. in science education at the University of Michigan. The couple is planning an August wedding in New Jersey.

Obituaries

Henry Feingold

Henry Feingold, 95, died Saturday, January 12, at Four Courts of Cherokee Park. He was the son of Max and Fanny Feingold. Henry was born in Pittsburgh, PA, and raised in Morgantown, WV. He was the first person to be drafted from Morgantown for the World War II Army and was proud to be a WW II veteran. After coming to Louisville, he was a merchant on Fourth Street with the Jefferson Dry Goods Company, and was known as "the Legend of Fourth Street."

Henry and Evelyn, his wife of 69 years, were life members of Congregation Adath Jeshurun and were Minyanaires of the Year. Henry was very proud of being Jewish and of the Jewish rituals. He often said that growing up, "We had more Jewish records in our house than the government has money."

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Feingold; his daughter, Sheila Schwartz of Nashville, TN; a grandson, Mark Schwartz (Rachael); a great-granddaughter, Sophie Schwartz.

The family wishes to thank the staff at the Linker wing at Four Courts of Cherokee Park for their wonderful care they gave to Mr. Feingold.

Burial was in Adath Jeshurun Cemetery. Herman Meyer & Son was in charge of arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may go to Congregation Adath Jeshurun Cemetery.

Nora Pribluda

Nora Pribluda, 87, died Saturday, February 2, at Baptist Health. She was born December 27, 1925 and was a native of Ukraine.

She is survived by her daughter, Irina Sulyevich (Pavel); and a grandson, Alexander Sulyevich.

Graveside services were at The Temple Cemetery. Herman Meyer & Son was in charge of arrangements.



Robert Kaufman

Robert Kaufman, 90, formerly of Overland Park, KS, passed away Monday, February 4. Graveside services were at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Kansas City, MO.

Robert was born in Brooklyn, NY, and graduated from City College. He was a US Army veteran of World War II, and while on leave at a USO dance in Kansas City, he met his wife Jacqueline. They married in 1952 and settled in Kansas City in 1960, where Robert was a partner at the accounting firm Kahn, Kaufman, & Lerner.

He was a warm and friendly individual with a heart of gold. His sense of humor was contagious. Dedicated to his family and friends, he will forever be remembered with love and will be missed by all.

He is preceded in death by his wife Jacqueline, and survived by his sister Doris Jacobs (Len), and children Bruce Kaufman (Emenda), Neal Kaufman, David Kaufman, and Elisa Kaufman (Kristen Penny).

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Jefferson Manor Nursing Facility Employee Fund, Louisville, KY.

The family is very thankful for the exceptional attention given to both parents for many years of wonderful care.

Herman Meyer & Son was in charge of local arrangements.

Arthur Goldman

Arthur Goldman, 97, died Thursday, February 7, at Four Courts of Cherokee Park. He was born in Louisville on February 18, 1915 to the late Jacob and Anna Cohen Goldman. Arthur was a former bail bondsman.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Eva Schuch. He is survived by his great niece, Patricia Erwin.

Graveside services were at Cave Hill Cemetery. Herman Meyer & Son was in charge of arrangements.

Jean Morris

Jean Morris died on January 15, and her obituary appeared in the January 25 edition of *Community*. However, the following information was not available at the time of publication:

Mrs. Morris was preceded in death by her parents, Betty and Albert Hess, her sister, Betty Burstyn, and her brother, Howard Hess.

Memorial Service

Fanny Rose Rosenbaum

Fanny Rose Rosenbaum, 92, died Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at her residence. A Memorial Service will be held 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 24, 2013 at The Temple, 5101 US Hwy 42.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Irvin S. Rosenbaum.

She is survived by her daughters, Barbara Katz (Dr. Bernard) and Diane Rosenbaum, both of Boston, MA; her son, Richard Rosenbaum (Janet); six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

The family has requested expressions of sympathy go to The Temple.

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by Rabbi Yosef Levy

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Rabbi Yosef Levy

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The story in a nutshell:

The Persian empire of the 4th century B.C.E. (Before the Common Era) extended over 127 lands, and all the Jews were its subjects. When King Ahasuerus had his wife, Queen Vashti, executed for failing to follow his orders, he orchestrated a beauty pageant to find a new queen. A Jewish girl, Esther, found favor in his eyes and became the new queen – though she refused to divulge her nationality.

Meanwhile, the anti-Semitic Haman was appointed prime minister of the empire. Mordechai, the leader of the Jews (and Esther's cousin), defied the king's orders and refused to bow to Haman. Haman was incensed, and convinced the king to issue a decree ordering the extermination of all the Jews on the 13th of Adar – a date chosen by a lottery Haman made.

Mordechai galvanized all the Jews, convincing them to repent, fast and pray to G-d. Meanwhile, Esther asked the king and Haman to join her for a feast. At the feast, Esther revealed her Jewish identity. Haman was hanged, Mordechai was appointed prime minister, and a new decree

was issued – granting the Jews the right to defend themselves against their enemies.

On the 13th of Adar, the Jews mobilized and killed many of their enemies. On the 14th of Adar, they rested and celebrated.

Purim observances:

1) Listen to the Megillah

To relive the miraculous events of Purim, listen to the reading of the megillah (the Scroll of Esther) twice: once on Purim eve, and again on Purim day. To properly fulfill the mitzvah, it is crucial to hear every word of the megillah.

During the reading, when Haman's name is mentioned, it is customary to twirl graggers (noisemakers) and stamp one's feet to "eradicate" his evil name. It's a mitzvah to make noise!

2) Give to the Needy (Matanot le'Evyonim) Concern for the needy is a year-round responsibility; but on Purim it is a special mitzvah to remember the poor.

Give charity to at least two (but preferably more) needy individuals on Purim day, February 24.

The mitzvah is best fulfilled by giving directly to the needy. If, however, you cannot find poor people, place at least two coins into a charity box. As with the other Purim mitzvot, even small children should fulfill this mitzvah.

3) Send Food to Friends (Mishloach Manot)

On Purim we emphasize the importance of Jewish unity and friendship by sending gifts of food to friends. That day, send a gift of at least two kinds of ready-to-eat foods (e.g., pastry, fruit, beverage) to at least one friend – men to men, and women to women – preferably delivered by a third party. Children, in addition to sending their own gifts of food to their friends, make enthusiastic messengers.

4) Eat, Drink and Be Merry

Celebrated with a festive meal on Purim day. Family and friends should gather together to rejoice in the Purim spirit, at which it is a mitzvah to drink wine or other inebriating drinks.

On Purim we include the Al HaNissim prayer, which describes the Purim miracle, in the evening, morning and afternoon prayers, as well as in the Grace after Meals. In the morning service there is a special reading from the Torah scroll in the synagogue (Exodus 17:8-16).

It is a time-honored Purim custom is for children to dress up and disguise themselves – an allusion to the fact that the miracle of Purim was disguised in natural garments. This is also the significance behind hamantashen, – a pastry with filling hidden within a three-cornered crust.

Purim also marks the start of preparations for Passover which is 30 days later, March 25 - April 2.

Although the Jews were dispersed throughout the Persian empire and there was variation in their customs, dress and language, and some sought to conceal their Jewish identities, Haman recognized the essential qualities and characteristics which made the Jews "one people," – "their laws are different from those of any other people" (Book of Esther 3:8).

Haman, in his wicked desire to annihilate the Jews, sought out "young and old, children and women," observant, secular and assimilated. None could escape the classification of belonging to that "one people," and every one was included in Haman's cruel decree.

In all ages there were Hamans, yet we have outlived them, thank G-d. Wherein lies the secret of our survival?

The essential element that unites our "dispersed and scattered people" and makes it "one people" throughout its dispersion and regardless of time, are the Torah and Mitzvot, the Jewish way of life, which has remained basically the same throughout the ages and in all places. Torah and Mitzvot have made our people indestructible on the world scene in the face of massacres and pogroms aimed at our physical destruction and ideological onslaughts of foreign cultures aimed at our spiritual destruction.

Purim teaches us the age-old lesson that no manner of assimilation, not even when it is extended over several generations, provides an escape from the Hamans and Hitlers; nor can any Jew sever his ties with his people by attempting such an escape.

On the contrary: Our salvation and our existence depend precisely upon the fact that "their laws are different from those of any other people."

Purim reminds us that the strength of our people as a whole, and of each individual Jew and Jewess, lies in a closer adherence to our ancient spiritual heritage which contains the secret of harmonious life, hence of a healthy and happy life.

With best wishes for a joyous Purim, and may we live to see a world free of Hamans and all types of Amalekites, the enemies of the Jews, of their body, soul and faith.

Shabbat candles should be lit on Fridays, February 22 at 6:10 p.m., March 1 at 6:17 p.m., March 8 at 6:24 p.m., March 15 at 7:31 p.m. and March 22 at 7:38 p.m.

Editor's note: Rabbi Yosef Levy, a Chabad rabbi, has volunteered to provide Torah commentaries for Community.

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