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Celebrate Israel@65





Israel@65, on April 14, promises to be just as much fun as Israel@60 was!

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

he State of Israel marks its 65th anniversary this year, and Louisville's Jewish community is joining the celebration. Come to the Jewish Community Center on Sunday, April 14, from 12-3 p.m. for an afternoon of music, family fun, food and spirit.

"In the current political climate in the world, Israel's continued existence should be celebrated to underscore how important its existence is for every Jew worldwide," said Faina Kronenberg.

"Because it was so important for us," added Ariel Kronenberg, the couple

volunteered to co-chair Louisville's Israel@65 celebration.

The event will begin at 12 noon with a short, solemn ceremony marking Yom HaZikaron, Israel's Memorial Day, that will pay tribute to members of the Israel Defense Force that gave their lives for the Jewish State.

"Israel Independence Day is irrevocably linked to Israel Memorial Day," said Faina, "because you cannot celebrate the country of Israel without first remembering the price paid by soldiers and civilians."

The Kronenbergs are working with Nathan Goldman, Louisville Beit Sefer Yachad and the Temple Hebrew School to create a short, solemn Yom HaZikaron tribute with participation from LBSY students.

Then the fun begins. Louisville will join communities across North America in the Global Walk with Israel. At 12:30 p.m., participants will gather at the JCC. After some remarks from Mayor Greg Fischer, everyone is invited to walk around the campus and celebrate the State of Israel. The youngest walkers are invited to join The PJ Library Story Walk, which will introduce them to Israel as they walk from one stop to another and hear an age-appropriate story.

At the conclusion of the walk, there

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Yom HaShoah commemoration planned for April 11

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1

Each year, there is a time to remember those lost in the Holocaust, to celebrate the precious gift of life, to honor those who saved others while risking their own safety and security, and to

learn the lessons of tolerance, valuing our differences and working together to make the world a better, safer, more understanding place.

This year, the annual communitywide Yom HaShoah Holocaust Commemoration program, sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council, will be held Thursday, April 11, at 7 p.m. at Bellarmine University. The theme of this year's program is "Righteous Among the Nations."

During the program, the righteous gentiles - those who were not Jewish, but whose words and/or actions actively opposed the Holocaust, often at great risk to their own lives - will be honored.

The featured speaker will be David Lee Preston, a reporter for the Philadelsee **YOM HASHOAH** page 5

JCL UPDATE

by Stu Silberman

Like another birthday (for those of us who want to stop counting them), it's now that time of year where the JCL makes an impassioned plea for your attention. I'll wait... OK, here it comes. We're wrapping up the



Stu Silberman

2013 Federation Campaign solicitation season, and we have not yet secured the commitment we need from our community to continue funding the programs that make us who we are – Jews.

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I just completed the JCL interim report to the Planning and Allocations Committee. That's the committee, comprised of your peers, lay leaders in Louisville who have dedicated their time to make the tough decisions about how your campaign dollars are distributed among local, national and international needs. What? you might be asking yourself. Why does the agency responsible for raising the dollars need to ask for them? Because, in our new model, we want to be evaluated along with every other requesting agency. We want to be held accountable and measured to the same standards as every other requestor.

So here I sit, writing responses to the form I wrote, and I have to tell you, it feels great. By the time you read this, my leadership team and I will have made our pitch for why your dollars should be allocated, in part, to our agency. While I won't go into all the details (but if you want to know, ask me), I was pleased to include a list of innovative risks we have taken this past year. You're holding one of those risks now, a new newspaper format. But the risks I wrote about included new methods of making our phil-

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Teacher and researcher educates future doctors who help world wide

by Dianna Ott

Ophthalmologist Shlomit Schaal, M.D., Ph.D. is among those who will be recognized at the eighth annual MO-SAIC Awards to be held on Thursday, May 30, at The Henry Clay. This fundraising event, which benefits Jewish Family & Career Services, honors immigrants and refugees who have made a significant contribution in their profession and in the community.

"I am surprised and honored to receive the award," said Dr. Schaal, who was born in Haifa, Israel, and graduated Summa Cum Laude from Technion Israel Institute of Technology. "I think it is a very nice thing. Being an immigrant means there are unique difficulties. Your family is across the ocean and although you have your close family here with you there's not much help around."

In 2005, she moved to the United

States to enter the University of Louisville School of Medicine with a fellowship in vitreoretinal research through the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences. Following that was a second fellowship in vitreoretinal surgery, completed in 2008. She now serves as assistant professor and, in 2011, assumed the role of director of the Diabetic Retinopathy Service. "Many people come here, to the United States, like I did, to further their education," said Dr. Schaal.

As both a teacher and a researcher, Dr. Schaal, 43, teaches a new generation of doctors at the University of Louisville. Many of the young doctors under her clinical supervision will eventually leave the U.S., taking their skills and expertise back to different parts of the world. She teaches medical students, residents and supervises retina fellows from the U.S.,

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JCRC UPDATE

by Matt Goldberg, Director Jewish Community Relations Council

Matanot L'Evyonim

Matanot L'Evyonim, the JCRC's Purim appeal for gifts to those less fortunate, has been a huge success this year. This money was raised for Blessing in a Backpack, a program that provides food for the weekends for children who qualify for free lunches when they are in school.

Thanks to the generosity of many of you in our community, we raised over \$1,000 for this worthy cause.

With hunger issues becoming more and more acute as the economy continues to putter along, charities like this become ever more important. Thank you again for all of your kind generosity.

Apartheid Week on Campus

This past month, there were two events of JCRC interest that have impact on our Jewish community, locally, nationally and internationally.

First, there was Apartheid Week on the campus of the University of Louisville. Apartheid Week, both locally and nationally, consists of local anti-Zionist organizations hosting speakers and having events that demonize the State of Israel, repeating unfortunate canards like accusing Israel of ethnic cleansing or of being an apartheid regime.

Members of our local JCRC were at every anti-Israel event held that week to monitor the substantive conversations and how many people attend.

None of these events attracted many people, but we continue to monitor these groups and talks.

We do not claim that Israel is perfect. You can read the Israeli press every day and witness Israelis criticizing their own government, often in harsh rhetoric. However, it is the illegitimate criticism that needs to be responded to, and the half-truths and mischaracterizations promulgated by some of these speakers that do nothing to advance the cause of peace that Israel and most of the world desperately want.

We will continue our activism on behalf of the state of Israel.

JCPA Plenum

Eight Louisvillians attended the annual Jewish Council for Public Affairs Plenum in Washington, DC, March 9-12.

The program included sessions on a variety of topics, including Israel advocacy, Iran, poverty, the environment and same sex marriage in the Jewish community. In addition, we heard from amazing presenters like Rabbi David Saperstein, Israeli Ambassador Michael Oren, and Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano.

We also participated in an advocacy day, where our group from Louisville were on Capital Hill and went to the offices of our congressional representatives. We had good substantive meetings with Rep. Yarmuth's office, Sen. Mc-Connell's office, and Sen. Paul's office.

While, as a Jewish community, we might not agree on all issues and certainly cannot expect our elected officials to agree with us on every issue, it was relieving to see that our ideas and opinions were warmly received by all three.

Watch for a more detailed report on the Plenum in the next issue of Commu-

Community Redesigned for Better Readability

by Shiela Steinman Wallace, Editor

hen you picked up this issue of Community, you probably noticed that it looks a bit different from past issues. With this redesign of the paper, we've updated the format with type that is easier to read and a contemporary layout that will make it easier for you to access the information you need.

The redesigned paper still has all the columns and features you look forward to each month - Lifecycle announcements, Newsmakers and upcoming community events. We're also expanding our staff of freelancers who enable us to bring you a greater variety of stosee **REDESIGN** page 17

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor's note: The following letter was sent to JCL President and CEO Stu Silberman, who shared it with Community.

Dear Editor,

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the folks who made our 15th year of the Annual Louisville Jewish Film Festival a rousing success.

Special thanks go to Keiley Caster and our Film Committee; Marsha Bornstein, Festival Director, and her colleagues at the JCC; the film venues of the Temple, Adath Jeshurun, the Village 8 Theatres, and the Muhammad Ali Center; and our various sponsors.

Also, our gratitude is extended to the media, including Community; The Temple Bulletin; Adath Jeshurun Messenger; The Voice-Tribune; The Courier-Journal; and WHAS-TV and WAVE TV for their fine coverage.

And, most of all, kudos to our great audiences who make this all possible.

Wilma and I are sorry we could not be with you this year, but we'll be roaring back next year.

All the best, Louis Levy

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PJ Library reaches out to young families

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

here are changes in the leadership of Louisville's PJ Library, the program that introduces children from birth to age 8 to Judaism by delivering free, high quality, age-appropriate books and CD's to them through the mail.

Becky Ruby Swansburg has agreed to co-chair the popular program with Marsha Roth, one of The PJ Library's founders in Louisville, and Jennifer Tuvlin has joined the Jewish Community Center staff as the part-time PJ Library Director. Together, they're working to reenergize the program, reach out to new participants and create engaging events





Marsha Roth

Becky Ruby Swansburg

that will help parents and children connect with each other and with Judaism.

In fact, the first new event will be "Coffee, Cookies and Kibbitz" on Sunday, March 24, at 10 a.m. at the JCC in

the Children's Place on the first floor. This will be a pre-Passover meet and greet that includes crafts, a snack and activities. The program is geared toward children age 4 and under and their caregivers, but all are welcome. Tuvlin asks those planning to attend to RSVP to her at jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org.

On April 14, a PJ Library Story Walk will be part of the Israel@65 celebration. (See story, page 1.)

Roth, a professional storyteller who frequently shares her talents and her love of young children with the community, is a close friend of Swansburg's mother, Mickey Ruby, and watched her young co-chair grow up. "I couldn't be more thrilled to have her as co-chair,"

Roth said. "She's just a doer who doesn't even need to be asked when something needs to be done.

"Jennifer is a real professional who's already coming up with great ideas," she added

Roth described both Swansburg and Tuvlin as outgoing people who will help grow the program through their creativity and by reaching out to people with young children and including them in The PJ Library.

Equally enthusiastic, Tuvlin said, "I have two great chairs who are extremely active in the Jewish community, and we all want to have PJ Library's presence to increase. I'm very fortunate to be work-

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Naamani Lecturer to discuss the Jewish history of small-town America

by Prof. Jasmine Farrier University of Louisville Department of Political Science

Professor Lee Shai Weissbach of the University of Louisville has been selected to deliver the Naamani Memorial Lecture at the University of Louisville this year. The lecture will be presented in the Chao Auditorium of the Ekstrom Library on the U of L campus at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9. Audience questions, and continued conversation at a dessert reception, will follow Professor Weissbach's lecture.

This lecture will explore the history of Jewish life in small-town America, focusing on its heyday in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The talk will describe how smaller Jewish communities of the United States started and look at what made them very different from the Jewish communities of America's large and midsize cities.

By the 1920's, there were some 500 smaller cities and towns in the United States with Jewish populations of at least 100 but fewer than 1,000, and the history of these smaller Jewish centers must be taken into account if we are to understand the richness and complexity of the American Jewish experience and appreciate the diversity of small-town society in times past. Professor Weissbach's lecture will include a slide presentation showing many visual images of small-town Jewish life and how they can change our understanding of the Jewish experience in smaller communities.

Dr. Weissbach is professor of history at the University of Louisville, where he has also served as chair of his department and as associate dean in the College of Arts and Sciences. He received his undergraduate training at the University of Cincinnati and earned his doctorate at Harvard University in 1975.

In recent years he has been a member of the Academic Council of the American Jewish Historical Society, a trustee of the Southern Jewish Historical Society and a fellow at the American Jewish Archives. In 1996, Prof. Weissbach was awarded a prestigious Senior Scholar Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities and, in 2006, he was selected as a Fulbright Fellow to spend a year at the University of Haifa in Israel.

Prof. Weissbach's first book, in the field of nineteenth-century French history, was published in 1989. His second book, a case study examining synagogue architecture and congregational history, appeared in 1995.

Dr. Weissbach's most recent research has focused on the experience of smaller Jewish communities throughout the United States and his book *Jewish Life in Small-Town America: A History* was

published in 2005 by the Yale University Press. His edited and annotated version of the memoir of his grandfather, an East European Jew who immigrated to the United States and later to Palestine, will be released shortly by the Stanford University Press.

The Naamani Memorial Lecture, named in memory of Professor Israel Naamani, a respected and beloved member of U of L's Political Science Department who died in 1979, is free and open to the public. Paid parking will be available in the Speed Museum parking garage. Those interested in more information about the Naamani Lecture may contact Prof. Jasmine Farrier in the Department of Political Science at the University of Louisville at 852-3310 or by email at j.farrier@louisville.edu.

Uniquely Jewish Event Series starts with Planes, Trains & Automobiles

The Jewish Federation of Louisville invites you to a different kind of Annual Campaign Event. Come to Blue Grass Motorsport, 4730 Bowling Blvd., on Tuesday, April 23, at 7 p.m. for the Uniquely Jewish event, "Planes, Trains & Automobiles."

Dr. Gary Zola, the executive director of The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives (AJA), will explore how Jews got to Louisville and the surrounding region, how the Jewish population has changed over time, and what role transportation played in the process. You will be encouraged to participate in the discussion about Jews and mobility.

Dr. Zola is also a professor of the American Jewish Experience at Hebrew



Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati and editor of *The American Jewish Archives Journal*. He is the author or editor of eight books and has written numerous articles for a variety of publications.

In 2011, President Barack Obama appointed Dr. Zola to serve as a member of the U.S. Commission for the Presersee **UNIQUE** page 14



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2013 Federation Campaign Closing Date Draws Near

by Stew Bromberg Vice President and Chief Development Officer

et all who are hungry join us around the table as we tell the story of our exodus from Egypt. This is how I often begin the Seder at my home each Passover.

With your Campaign contributions, together, we can continue providing the programs and services that support our community. Together, we can reach out to help children and families, adults and seniors in Louisville, Israel and around the globe. We can continue funding the JFCS Food Pantry which provides nutri-

Together our overseas contributions will continue to provide much needed support for children, teens, families and seniors at risk in Israel and around the world. Together we can increase the

tional food for many in our community.

the world. Together we can increase the availability of social and medical services to the many people unable to provide for themselves.

With only 39 days left to the official 2013 Federation Annual Campaign closing date of April 30, we can work together to reach out to our community and meet our goal of raising \$2,141,000.

Currently, the Campaign has registered pledges of \$1,331,917 and pending pledges of approximately \$350,000,

which brings us close to \$1.7 million, but we need to work together to reach our goal.

We live in a Jewish community that, over the years, has been the envy of many others across North America. It is time for us to reclaim our fame and show the Jewish community that we are still a strong and vibrant community that not only supports the Jewish community here and around the world, but helps build a stronger Louisville.

During a recent trip to Florida, Nancy Abrams and Denise Schiller helped host a dinner for 27 Louisvillians on the west coast. The evening showed how strong the connection to Louisville is even when someone is close to 1000 miles away.

This wonderful opportunity to update everyone on the achievements we have made and to share plans for our future. It was an opportunity to meet those who were instrumental in shaping the Louisville Jewthe ish community, and to share my perspective on why everyone is still such an important part of the community. I truly felt like I was attending a dinner here in Louisville; the passion, warmth and welcoming feel-



ing were as strong there as they are here. As we gather together next year to retell the story of our exodus from Egypt to the next generation, may we be able to share the knowledge that we have taken one step closer to living in a world that comes together in peace and harmony, and know that together we all did our part this year to build a stronger community here at home.

For more information on how you can help with this year's campaign, please go to www.jewishlouisville.org/donate.

Partnership 2Gether Visionaries to visit; share expertise

A delegation of Community Visionaries from the Western Galilee is coming to Louisville from April 26-28, and there will be several opportunities for community members to meet them in both formal and informal settings.

The delegation includes:

- Shelley-Anne Peleg, Israel Antiquities Authority's director of the International Conservation Center located in the old city of Akko;
- Susan Nirens, assistant director of the non-profit organization Kivunim: New Directions, which encourages youths with special needs to become independent, involved in their communities and achieve control over their lives;
- Uri Yirmias, chef, restaurateur, entrepreneur, hotel owner and developer; and
- Sisi Rodan, curator at the Treasures in the Walls Ethnographic Museum in Old Acre.

While they are here, the visitors will speak at Adath Jeshurun, Keneseth Israel, The Temple and Temple Shalom during Shabbat services. On Sunday morning, Yirmias will also cook with the chef at Rye.

Watch the JCL's weekly e-news for details



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MARCH 24

Bigger and better 2013 Republic Bank Golf Challenge planned

Canasta tournament added to broaden appeal; tennis and bridge competitions continue

ark your calendar. The annual Republic Bank Golf Challenge will be Monday, June 24, at Standard Country Club, and this year's event will be bigger and better than ever. Originally solely a golf challenge, tennis and bridge tournaments were added in recent years, and this year's competition will include a canasta tournament, too.

With the addition of these three popular activities, we open the door to many more people who want to participate in this community-wide event," commented Doug Roemer, golf committee co-chair with Doug Gordon.

In addition to giving community members the opportunity to enjoy a day of activities with friends, the Challenge benefits both the JCC and JFCS, and the proceeds provide:

- Scholarships for membership and summer camp at the JCC for families in need. More than \$75,000 was granted last year for scholarships to 134 families.
- 700 hours of subsidized counseling at JFCS for families who are seeking services to ensure that they can strengthen their lives, remain selfsufficient, independent, and provide structure and security for their children. More than 2,400 individuals and families benefitted last year.

Golfer check-in begins at 11 a.m., and there will be a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Lunch is included in the golf registration fee. The driving range will also be open at 11 a.m. for golfers who want to warm up before the tournament.

A volunteer committee is organizing the tennis tournament. The mixed doubles, round robin format for 3.0 or below

and 3.5 or above will run from 2-5 p.m. Players can register as individuals or as doubles teams. The registration fee is \$60 per person, which includes dinner.

Volunteers also are organizing the bridge and canasta tournaments that will be held in two separate rooms at the club. "There is a core group of players at Standard who we hope will play; and if we get players from the Bridge Center and other bridge clubs, it will be a fun tournament," said Beverly Bromley, JFCS Development Director.

The duplicate bridge and canasta tournaments will run from 1-5 p.m. It will be best to select partners and register together. The registration fee is \$25 per person for tournament play only, or \$60 per person for the full package, which includes dinner.

Registrations for all events are due by June 10. For more information, contact Sally Hollingsworth at 452-6341, ext. 240.

phia Daily News and cnn.com. Preston's

mother was a Holocaust survivor who

was hidden by two Polish Catholics in

the sewers of Lvov. The story was made

paid to Father Stanley A. Schmidt, a

former priest in Louisville who devoted

much of his life to interfaith relations.

During World War II, he was in semi-

nary in Austria and was deeply affected

Later, in Louisville, he was an activ-

ist on behalf of Soviet Jewry and in the

early 1980's chaired the Interreligious

Council on Soviet Jewry. He was the

first president of the Kentuckiana Inter-

faith Community and of its predecessor,

the Louisville Area Interchurch Orga-

nization for Service, and helped found

the Community Hunger Walk. He also

served as the director of the Office of

Ecumenical Affairs for the Archdiocese

of Louisville and on the board of the

National Conference of Christians and

the Blanche B. Ottenheimer Award.

Holocaust will be remembered.

In 1981, the JCC honored him with

Those present will have the opportu-

nity to light memorial candles and the

names Louisvillians have submitted of

family members who perished in the

Fred Whittaker, a teacher at St. Francis of Assisi is chairing this year's

by what happened to the Jews.

During the program, tribute will be

into a Polish movie, "In Darkness."

YOM HASHOAH

RSVP to PJ Library Director Jennifer Tuvlin, ituvlin@iewishlouisville.org.

APRIL 2-5

JCC Spring Camp: Going on a Picnic For children, K-5. April 2: Ants Go Marching; April 3: Let's Get Dirty with field trip to Louisville Nature Center; April 4: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle; April 5, We're Going on a Picnic. For more information,

PJ Library, Coffee, Cookies and Kibbitz, JCC, 10-10:45 a.m. Pre-Passover meet and greet with crafts,

4 and under and their caregivers, but

all are welcome. In the Children's Place.

snack and activities geared toward children

see CenterPiece, page 2.

School's Out Day Goes to Rocksport

For middle schoolers. Drop off at 9 a.m. at the JCC and pick up there at 3 p.m., \$25 (\$35 non-members); OR drop off at 10 a.m. at Rocksport and pick up there at 1 p.m., \$15 (\$25 non-members). Register by April 2 by contacting Middle School Director Rachel Lipkin, 238-2701 or rlipkin@jewishlouisville.org.

APRIL 9

Naamani Memorial Lecture U of L. Chao Auditorim, 7:30 p.m.

Prof. Lee Shai Weisbach will present "Jewish History of Small-Town America." Free. See story, page 3.

Yom HaShoah Commemoration Bellarmine University, 7 p.m.

Jewish Community Relations Councilsponsored annual Holocaust commemoration. Theme: Righteous among the Nations. Speaker: David Lee Preston, iournalist for CNN and the Philadelphia Inquirer. See story, page 1.

APRIL 11-28 CenterStage Presents Avenue Q at the JCC

For mature audiences. \$18 per person in advance, \$20 at the door. For tickets, call 459-0660 or go to www.centerstagejcc.org.

APRIL 13

Ben Gurion Society Reception at CenterStage's Avenue Q, 6:45 p.m.

6:45 cocktail reception; 7:30 performance; 9:45 p.m. dessert reception and meet and greet the Avenue Q cast. \$18 per person. RSVP online at www.jewishlouisville.org/ bengurion or contact Mary Jean Timmel, 238-2739 or mtimmel@jewishlouisville. org. Open to YAD members whom make a commitment of \$1,000 or more to the Annual Federation Campaign.

Israel@65, JCC, 12-3 p.m.

Yom HaZikaron (Israel's Memorial Day) and Yom HaAtzmaut (Israel Independence Day). Global Walk for Israel, PJ Library Story Walk, Krav Maga demonstration, Israeli performers, middle eastern food and family activities. See story, page 1.

Live from New York's 92nd Street Y Adath Jeshurun 8:15 p.m.

Panel discussion: "The Future of God: The Merging of Science and Religion panelists Andrew Zolli and David Eagleman and moderator Reza Aslan.

APRII 23 **Uniquely Jewish Planes, Trains and Automobiles** Blue Grass Motorsport, 7 p.m.

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Kathy Stein is keynote speaker at Senior University

State Senator Kathy Stein, the only Jewish member of Kentucky's upper house, will be the keynote speaker at The Temple's annual Senior University on Thursday, April 18.

Senior University is a daylong community-wide program. The day begins at 9:30 a.m. with registration and breakfast snacks. The keynote address is at 10 a.m., followed by a choice of nine different workshops led by rabbis and experts on a variety of subjects spread over three "class periods." A healthful lunch is also served, along with a closing program that features dessert.

Although the workshops are designed to be of special interest to Jewish senior adults, all are welcome. The cost for the program is \$12, payable at the door, but prior registration is required. Call The Temple at 423-1212 to save your spot.

The first session after the keynote will feature: "The Answer Lies Somewhere in the Question: How Does a Jewish Upbringing Affect Creativity?" presented by Jennifer Diamond and Dr. Louie Bailey; "Ethics and Moral Dilemmas" by Rabbi Gaylia R. Rooks; and "Americans Who Tell the Truth: Models of Courageous Citizens," by Michele Hemenway, an independent education management professional.

The session after lunch will feature "Looking Above and Beyond: Artistic Surprises In Our Chapel" by Rabbi Chester B. Diamond; "Religion in Louisville" by Peter Smith, Courier-Journal Religion Editor, and "Jews in Sports" by Bernard Pincus.

The last session will include "Obama's Visit to Israel and the Israeli Government: Is Bibi Good for the Jews?" by Rabbi David Ariel-Joel; "Jewish Catholic Relations since Nostrae Aetate" by the Rev. Joseph Graffis, pastor of St. Edward Catholic Church; and "Your Body is Your Temple: Jewish Thoughts on a Healthy Body and Lifestyle," presented by Pami, a natural health care practi-

Washington D.C. Cantor comes to Louisville for Salon Concert **fundraiser for Adath Jeshurun**

You've seen her in the film 100 Voices, the documentary about the Cantors Assembly trip to Poland in 2009. She's performed as a soloist at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Kodak Theater, The Disney Concert Hall, Off-Broadway and the Ida Kaminska State Theater in Warsaw.

Cantor Arianne Brown, currently serving Adas Israel Congregation in our nation's capital, is coming to Louisville to join Cantor Lipp for an intimate Salon Concert, made possible through the generosity of a grant from the Cantors Assembly.

Concert-goers will enjoy a wine and cheese reception on April 21 at 4:30 p.m., followed by a concert at 5. An AJ family has graciously opened their home to us for the concert. Prior to the concert, the address of the home will be given to all ticket holders by special invitation. Seats are limited and will be awarded on a first come, first served basis. Deadline for reservations is Sunday April 7.

All proceeds from this fund-raiser will

be divided evenly between Adath Jeshurun and the Cantors Assembly Foundation. Cost: Sponsor: Silver \$100 per seat; Gold Sponsor: \$150 per seat; Platinum Sponsor: \$250 per seat. Sponsorships will be listed in the **Cantor Brown** printed program.



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Shaliach to provide Israeli culture to JCC Summer Camp and Louisville community

he Jewish Community Center's Summer Camp program offers many exciting opportunities for children to learn, grow, thrive and have fun over the summer, and the success of the program can be seen in the number of participants, which grows every summer.

Part of the camp's success is the efforts of its staff to raise the bar higher each year by improving existing programming and looking for new opportunities



Children have fun during JCC Summer Camp

This summer, the JCC turned to its parent organization, the Jewish Community Center Association, and received a grant to participate in JCCA's Israel Up Close program. Through this program, a shaliach or shlicha – a trained emissary from Israel – will come to Louisville for the summer.

This individual will teach campers and staff about Israel and why it is important. "To get this information from someone who lives there," said Senior Director of Youth Services and Camp Director Julie Hollander, is much better than having "an American talk about what Israel is."

As an added bonus, Hollander will be traveling to Israel for a six-day training program to learn how to use the shaliach effectively in camp and throughout the community. She'll go through the same training program that the sh'lichim do, plus some additional work that will help her administer the program.

Camp directors from across the U.S. are participating in this program, but Hollander is one of only 10 chosen for this program and fully funded by JCCA.

Hollander is very excited about having a shaliach in Louisville this summer and is looking forward to her trip to Israel.

As part of the Israel Up Close program, participating communities provide home hospitality for the visiting shaliach. Hollander said, "We need host families for this person, and are asking for [them to open their homes] for at least two weeks at a time."

Host families are asked to provide lodging and some meals for their guest. "Transportation would be great," Hollander added, "but it is not a necessity." It would also be nice if the hosts could show the shaliach around Louisville.

If you are interested in hosting the shaliach for two weeks or more this summer, please contact Hollander at 238-2708 or jhollander@jewishlouisville.org.

Watch future issues of *Community* for additional information.



Birthright Israel trip promotes life changes for participants and Rabbi Litvin



Participants from New York to Alaska and Arizona to Florida traveled with Rabbi Avrohom and Goldie Litvin during the 10 day Birthright Israel trip.

From March 4-14, Rabbi Avrohom and Goldie Litvin led a Birthright Israel trip of young adults to Israel for a 10-day learning experience.

Birthright Israel is an organization that seeks to change the course of Jewish history by strengthening the next generation's Jewish identity and connection to Israel. Over the past 13 years, they have sent over 350,000 young adults to visit and learn about Israel.

Birthright is more than just a trip or a tour. It was a journey in which most every participant, including the Rabbi and his wife, re-connected and grew as friends, Jews and part of Am Yisroel – the Nation of Israel.

The participants in the group came from across the United States, from New York to Alaska and Arizona to Florida. For the most part, they seemed to be just a great group of normal American young adults who "happened" to be Jewish. The vast majority were not connected with any synagogue, temple or Jewish establishment.

Before leaving New York, Rabbi Litvin suggested to the group that they were going to the "Holy Land of Israel" and they would therefore have two choices. They could simply see the sights and have a wonderful and fun 10-day vacation, or they could actively seek to "open their eyes in the land of miracles" and hope to experience a deeper connection with the history and meaning of being part of the nation of Israel.

Each participant was remarkable, but one young woman was especially worthy of mention. As she went through customs in JFK Airport, the El Al security people asked her if she could tell them her Rabbi's name, which temple she was affiliated with, something about the Jewish holidays. She could not answer any of these questions and was in fact held at security for quite some time.

Happily, they let her pass and she rejoined the others.

The group landed in Israel and journeyed to the north. They climbed Mount Arbel and Rabbi Litvin led them in a meditation atop the mountain about each person's place in the long, glorious chain of Judaism. The group hiked along the waterfall at Banyas and visited the ancient synagogues in Tz'fat.

On Friday, the group visited the Yad Vashem Memorial for the millions lost in the Holocaust. That night, they celebrated the Shabbat at the Western Wall, dancing and singing with hundreds of other Jews from all walks of life and many Israeli soldiers.

On Sunday morning, the group went back to the Wall and each of them had a few moments to "talk to G-d" and put notes between the stones of the ancient Temple. At that time, Rabbi Litvin formally gave a Hebrew name to four of the participants in the group who had missed receiving a Hebrew name earlier in life. The young woman mentioned earlier chose the name Elisheva and this is what she declared to the group standing in front of the Western Wall:

"As I begin thinking of what to say during this special moment, I am listening to Rabbi Avrohom educate and engage us, while staring out the window of our bus at a gorgeous view of the mountains and the sea. I am sitting next to an Israeli and am totally and completely absorbed and in love with the feeling of this experience.

"It's hard to believe that a few short days ago I was in my normal life in a loud and noisy city, dealing with the stress of bills, chores and my job. My to do list seems never ending at times. Leaving all that behind and embarking on this journey I was given a chance to discover a new part of myself. I think in a way I was meant to be named here, in this moment, with all see BIRTHRIGHT page 9



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Bluegrass rocks at Adath Jeshurun Music Festival

by Phyllis Shaikun

h what a night it was when Adath Jeshurun's Hazzan, David Lipp, introduced the congregation's annual music festival on Sunday evening, March 3. The theme, "Bluegrass with Jewish Sass," lived up to its name and then some. Seasoned festival attendees considered it one of his best yet.

Hazzan Mike Stein rode in from California for the festivities and Hazzan Sharon Hordes, local favorite John Gage and the community junior and adult choirs pitched in with bluegrass musicians Steve Cooley and Lauren White to keep the evening lively and the music coming without a stop for 90 minutes. The event was recorded and will be aired on Gage's *Kentucky Homefront* program in case you missed the live production.

Stein was and is a phenomenon. He sang, he danced and he pranced as he continually found new ways to add a western flair to liturgical music. Imagine the choirs and audience members singing Shalom Aleichem to a tune that conjured up the sounds of cowbells, prairies and sagebrush. The only question: where did they stash the horses?

Turns out Stein's interest in bluegrass-type music was nurtured when he played with a United States Navy Band outside of Washington, DC. They used to play gospel tunes, he explained, so he made that connection with Jewish music – a sound he called "high lonesome" when he used it with "Shiru Ladonai Shir Chadash." A musician as well, Stein played the guitar and a mean fiddle



Hazzan Mike Stein

when he, Cooley, Gage and White joined in a rousing rendition of the "Yaffa" "Orange Blossom Special" that left folks breathless. The best part came when both Stein (and later Lipp) showed they could yodel with the best of them. What an experience!

Lipp explained that music can be written in major (happy) and minor (sad) chords. Since bluegrass music had no minor chords – well, you get the idea. The point was aptly made when Stein played his fiddle to "Jerusalem Ridge," a peppy number written by the legendary bluegrass musician, Bill Monroe, when he was in Israel. The upbeat melody had the children sitting in the front row literally dancing in their seats. An equally see **BLUEGRASS** page 8

Wilfrid Israel film shows efforts to save many

by Robert H. Sachs

Albert Einstein wrote of Wilfrid Israel:

"Never in my life have I come in contact with a being so noble, so strong and as selfless as he was – in very truth a living work of art.

"In these times of mass-misfortune, which so few are able to stand up to – one feels the presence of this 'chosen one' as a Liberator from despair for mankind."

It is said that Israel saved tens of thousands of Jews and that he was a key player in the Kindertransport, an ambitious project that from 1938-1940 saved thousands of Jewish children from Germany, Austria, Poland and Czechoslovakia.

So why was it we had never heard of him? That is the problem the 30-minute Israeli documentary, "Wilfrid Israel - The Savior from Berlin - The Story of a Forgotten Hero," set out to rectify. Shown on February 20 at the Village 8 as part of the 15th Annual Louisville Jewish Film Festival, this story hit close to home.

The handful of young German Jews who in 1934 established Kibbutz Hazorea in the Western Jezreel Valley knew Wilfrid Israel. One of these young organizers was a cousin of Louisville's Bonnie Bizer, and she was a co-producer of this film. Bizer was present at

the showing of the film and spoke briefly about her connection with the Kibbutz and her involvement in making the film a reality.

Israel was a wealthy young man from Berlin whose family owned the largest department store in that city. He was a world traveller and collector of art. In fact, a small museum on the kibbutz grounds houses a valuable collection of treasurers from the Far East that Israel bequeathed to the kibbutz.

Îsrael saw the storm clouds developing over Germany and could easily have sold the family business and moved to another country. But he was made of sterner stuff. In an endeavor that ultimately cost him his life, Israel set out to save as many Jews as possible. He gave the 700 Jews who worked in the N. Israel department store two years pay so they could afford to leave Germany. He worked to implement the Kindertransport that saved thousands of Jewish children. He survived Nazi beatings to travel across Western Europe in his determined quest to save Jews. He was killed at age 43 when Nazi warplanes shot down a British Overseas Airways plane traveling from Lisbon to London.

Perhaps through this movie and a longer version that Bonnie Bizer told us is in the planning stages, the extraordinary story of Wilfrid Israel will become more widely known.



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Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat wows audiences again

by David Wallace

Andrew Lloyd Webber's (music) and Tim Rice's (lyrics) *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* is a frothy concoction of the biblical account of Joseph and his coat of many colors in a modern swirling rainbow and spiced with variegated musical styles.

Near the beginning we see the Technicolor Dreamcoat followed by a twirling maypole of colorful streamers that eclipse the fabled coat. Kate Reedy, the play's narrator, proceeds to tell the tale.

The presentation starts and ends with a song with a hook, *Any Dream Will Do*, and proceeds to introduce disparate styles of music ranging from country (*One More Angel*) to rock and roll (Elvis starring as Pharaoh), to calypso (*Benjamin Calypso*), each one having its own

distinctive style of choreography. It is truly amazing how the large cast of sixty plus, including a talented group of children, is able to function in spectacular fashion on the small stage.

Along the way everyone has a little fun and at the end of the show, when the company does *Any Dream Will Do* one more time, followed by a rousing *Mega Mix* of an encore the audience has gotten what it came for. Joseph and his brothers are reunited, all is well, everyone goes home with a smile on their faces and, in the long run, there's absolutely nothing wrong with that because, after all, Joseph and music rock the house!

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Three attend AIPAC Policy Conference; **lobby Kentucky legislators on Capitol Hill**

When over 13,000 delegates from across the United States descended upon Washington, D.C. for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee's annual Policy Conference, three Louisvillians, Sandy Berman, Cantor David Lipp and Ben Koby were among them. At the conference, they heard from world leaders, learned about pressing issues and met with national legislators.

Cantor Lipp said Vice President Joe Biden "spoke beautifully, personally and passionately. He was very effective, but one could say he said what we wanted to hear, which was the United States is not bluffing as far as Iran is concerned."

One breakout session Cantor Lipp found particularly interesting was about the Foreign Aid Bill. The session didn't spend much time focusing on the dollars that go to Israel, he explained, because the bill must be considered as a whole. Legislators must either vote to approve the entire package or to reject it.

One could argue that aid to Israel is different than aid to Tanzania - it's more of a strategic investment," he explained, but since it is considered as a whole, "AI-



Cantor David Lipp

PAC needs to lobby for the entire bill.

Whenever he could, Cantor Lipp took advantage of the opportunity to "meet all sorts of people you wouldn't otherwise meet." He also enjoyed the entertainment which included a concert with Josh Nelson, Michelle Citrin and a young Ethiopian woman who sang Hatikvah in Amharic.

At dinner, AIPAC did a roll call of congressmen and senators in attendance that night, and Cantor Lipp said he was impressed by the great number of legislators who were in attendance. It attests to AIPAC's strength and the effective-

ness of its lobbying efforts.
All of the delegates were briefed on AIPAC's priorities and spent part of their time on Capitol Hill meeting with and lobbying legislators. "The basic idea, Cantor Lipp said, "is to create, maintain and nurture relationships with Capitol

For some legislators, that means thanking them for their support. For others, it is more complicated. Issues must be explained and the lobbyists must ask for support.

Cantor's first meeting was with Sen. Rand Paul, who spent some time with the AIPAC group despite a busy schedule and heavy demand from other groups that wanted to lobby him about protecting their special interests from the cuts mandated by sequestration.

"Rand Paul is considered to be a challenge by AIPAC," Cantor Lipp said. "He was on record before we met with him saying, 'Israel has a better economy than we do. We need to be strong supporters of Israel, but Israel doesn't need the money and we can't afford to borrow to give aid."

While he disagrees with Paul, Cantor said, "I was impressed with his depth of knowledge about the situation." He recognizes the threat Iran poses, but is not eager to go to war. Paul is also bothered that the U.S. provides aid to Israel's enemies to create a balance of power. He singled out Egypt, saying we should stop giving Egypt military aid until its president, Mohamed "Morsi is ready to say in English and Arabic, 'I support the Camp David Accords,' which he has not done."

Cantor Lipp also spent about five minutes with Sen. Mitch McConnell, and he, Berman and Koby talked with John Yarmuth as well.

BBYO partners with AIPAC for the Policy Conference, and Louisville's Ben

Koby, shaliach (vice president of Jewish community service and Israel advocacy) for Drew Corson AZA, was one of 60 teens chosen to attend. BBYO paid the teens' conference fees.

"I learned a lot," Koby said. At one breakout session, he said, "I learned about the relationship between Israel and Azerbaijan. Apparently, they're very close allies, especially in regard to Iran. Azerbaijan is one of the top providers of oil to Israel."

In another session, Koby heard author Gill Troy speak about "America's fight against Zionism as Racism." They examined the history of the scurrilous claim and how it is being used today by Hamas, Hezbollah and Iran. The more often and more forcefully someone repeats an untruth, the more people be-

Koby was impressed with the array of leading politicians who spoke at the Plenary. One who made a big impression on was an Israeli mountain climber who was "90 feet away from reaching the summit of Mt. Everest, when he found a Turkish mountain climber in a crevice." The Israeli decided to risk his own life to save the Turk before attempting to reach the summit.

He also heard from several Israeli soldiers, including two or three who worked on Israel's Iron Dome missile defense system; and an Ethiopian farmer who learned advanced agriculture techniques in Israel and then returned to Ethiopia and is now teaching his neigh-

"Being on Capitol Hill is an incredible experience," Koby said. He had the opportunity to meet Sen. McConnell, although the meeting was cut short when the senator was called to the floor for a





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enjoyable "She'll be Coming 'Round the Mountain" mixed with "L'cha Dodi" featured the choirs singing the lyrics both

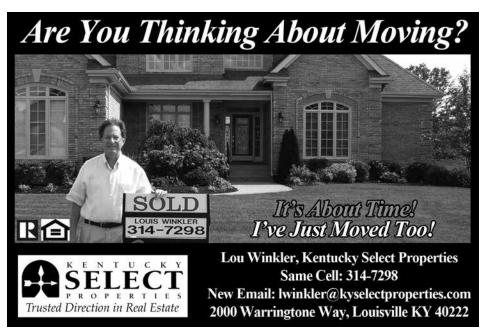
in Hebrew and in English very quickly.
If you wanted to hear "V'shamru" to a New Orleans beat, you would not have been disappointed. "Mizmor Shabbat" and "Adom Olam" ended the evening on a high note. "I know everyone already smells the tuna fish and herring when they hear Adom Olam," Stein joked, but there are more than enough offerings at the reception to make up for that.

Just before calling it a night, how-

ever, Stein offered an unexpected treat and invited his wife, Kelley, on stage to sing a duet. Yes, it truly was a very special night. Some folks might even think about writing *Love Letters in the Sand* as a way of saying thank you!

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Local artist given key to city, exhibition in Metro Goverment Center

by Holly Hinson

usted farm implements combined with crochet work may sound like an odd pairing of elements for an artistic presentation, but local artist Bette Levy has created beauty from it.

In fact, her artistic endeavors have earned her kudos from the city of Louisville. At a March 5 reception, Mayor Greg Fischer presented the local textile artist with the key to the city. She was also given the opportunity to showcase her work along with two other artists in a gallery exhibition in the Metro Government Center rotunda.

The exhibit, titled "Shared Boundaries," is part of the ongoing Rotunda Art Project, a series produced in partnership with the Louisville Commission on Public Art, with assistance from the Louisville Visual Art Association.

For Levy, whose work is frequently displayed in galleries around Louisville and Southern Indiana, the city hall exhibition has been particularly gratifying.

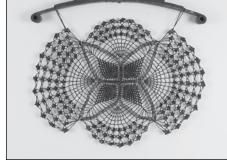
"Just to be asked to be in the show is

such an honor," she said. "I am humbled and excited to have my work in a place where so many people can see it."

The artist, who has lived in Louisville since 1974, is an established local name whose work has been featured in galleries since the 1980s. She serves as the director of the Patio Art Gallery at Jewish Community Center where she curates, installs and sometimes exhibits her own work within the Center. In 2008, her piece, "An Ayin for an Ayin," was the cover art for the Guide to Jewish

She is also a member and frequent exhibitor at PYRO Gallery, an art gallery





Bette Levy (left) in the JCC Patio Gallery. "Spring Dolly" (right) is one of the pieces now hanging in the Metro

co-op in the East Market Street corridor in downtown Louisville. Some of her work is currently displayed at Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft.

The pieces featured by Levy in the current Metro Government Center exhibition were originally displayed as part of the "Tools of the Trade" exhibit in the Carnegie Center Art Gallery in New Albany, IN.

As for the inspiration behind the art, Levy said she liked the juxtaposition of the farm equipment with the delicate crochet work because it is something everyone could relate to.

'This body of work speaks to so many people. When you think of farm equipment, you typically think of men; with crochet, that is typically feminine. But when you put them together, it unifies them," she said.

Levy, who is a member of The Temple, said her Jewish heritage and upbringing informed her creation of "Tools of the

As a child, she played with beads at the handbag factory founded by her great-grandmother in New York in the 1900's. Her own grandmother was the designer for the company.

"I really grew up making things with my hands," she said. "The art I created invokes this idea of working for a living,

of productivity and meeting goals."

Daniel Pfalzgraf, the curator for "Shared Boundaries," wrote of Levy's work: "Bette Levy's use of old farm tools and hand-knitted embellishments reminds us of the importance of heritage, relationships and craft often associated with the rural life found further out in Jefferson County and beyond. Levy's artwork elegantly expresses both her family's personal history and the history of families all around the Metro area."

Levy's art will be on display through June 8. Visitors may see the exhibit any time the building is open to the public, weekdays from 8 a.m.-7:30 p.m. There is no charge to enter Metro Hall, but people are required to go through security and show a photo ID.

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of you former strangers who are more like family to me now.

"I always knew I was Jewish and have been proud of that fact. But I also never fully knew what being Jewish meant to me aside from a label, an identifier that I became used to sharing with others.

"I feel like being Jewish has meaning to me now in a way that it never had before. And I am making the commitment, here at the wall to continue to strengthen my relationship with God and to Judaism."

The trip not only affected the participants, it deeply resonated with Rabbi Litvin and his wife as well. Upon his return to Louisville, Rabbi Litvin challenged his synagogue to become more open, welcoming and outgoing and to make a concerted effort to find the hundreds of similar youth in our community and invite them back to Judaism.

Rabbi Litvin acknowledged that too

many synagogues and temples, including Anshei Sfard, focus on a narrow group of like-minded people and by doing so forget, by omission or commission, the younger generation, which represents the future of Judaism. He shared that he felt it was the responsibility of the synagogue and the community to reach out to the entire Jewish community without being judgmental and invite them warmly and enthusiastically to connect to G-d through Judaism.

On April 5 at 7 p.m., Congregation Anshei Sfard and Chabad of Kentucky will offer a merged service followed by a free dinner to the entire community, which hopefully will be a small step in this direction. The entire community is invited to attend, although reservations are required and may be made by calling the Synagogue at 451-3122.

Later this year, Rabbi Litvin plans to lead another Birthright Israel trip open to all Jewish young adults. Email him for more information at chabadky@aol.com.

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will be family activities with the Speed Art Museum and a shuk (Israeli-style open market). Middle eastern food, prepared by Shiraz, will be available for purchase.

There will be a Krav Maga demonstration and a live performance by an Israeli duo from the Western Galilee on stage as well.

The Krav Maga demonstration is a great way to learn about this Israeli form of self-defense martial arts. Krav Maga techniques teach people to focus the strength from their entire bodies in one spot to deliver a defensive blow and

to use elbows, knees and other parts to get free of an attacker, momentarily disable him/her and get away.

"We're hoping people really like Krav Maga," Ariel said. "Maybe we'll be able to start a class at the JCC."

Then welcome Dorit and Tzvika, a pair of folk musicians from our Partnership with Israel region, the Western Galilee. Get up and dance to "Hava Nagila" and "Hinei Ma Tov." Sing along with favorites like "Yerushalayim shel Zahav' and "By Mir Bis Du Sheyn" and more.

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Israel, Turkey and Jordan.

Her original intention was to go back to Israel herself, but after a change of thinking and what she describes as "a new mindset," she realized she if she stayed, she would have a greater impact by preparing other doctors. Schaal described the work of an Israeli doctor she supervised, who returned home last year. "When I saw how he implemented all the things I taught him," she remarked, "I felt both pride and satisfaction. This is why I know it was absolutely worth it to stay.'

As a researcher, Dr. Schaal works with a team to isolate biomarkers to



D. Shlomit Schaal

help diagnose and minimize the effect of eve diseases caused by diabetes before the damage occurs. "We already have one test with high potential, but as it takes years to develop these, we are hopeful for results within the next de-

cade," said Schaal.

Valedictorian of her medical school graduating class in 1995, she completed her residency and simultaneously earned her doctorate in 2005. Her interest in ophthalmology as a specialty came

while she was under the tutelage of Dr. Itzhak Beiran while doing an internship at Nahariya Medical Center during her mandatory military service. Beiran, an army general and commander, later became Surgeon General of the Israeli Navy and the vice chairman of Rambam Medical Center.

During her residency, she opted to take time off to earn her Ph.D., which Dr. Beiran thought "was a little bit crazy, but he allowed me to do it." Dr. Schaal, who calls Beiran her mentor, invited him to Louisville to give a visiting lecture at the University of Louisville in 2010.

Growing up in Haifa, artistically-inclined Shlomit Golen believed she'd one day become an architect. However her father, an engineer, encouraged her to

apply for medical school first because, she said, "He told me I should always try for the most difficult, and medical school was the hardest to get into." Both parents - father, Joseph, and mother, Ida Golen, instilled in her the importance of education, hard work and study.

What did you learn?" was the first question her mother, a teacher, always asked. "It didn't matter what subject, but study was the main thing. It was every-

thing to my parents," said Schaal.

"But my brother, Ofer, who is younger than me by three years, is the smart one. He's a genius," laughed Schaal. "He was allowed in the Talpiot program to study math, chemistry, physics and economics, which meant he was required to serve nine years in the army. He now manages a venture capital firm in Tel Aviv which is helping to develop new medicines.'

But one of the "most important things" her parents did was to encourage their children to take up the sport of swimming, which Schaal says taught her to take responsibility. "Since swimming is an individual sport, you cannot blame the pool, you cannot blame the water. Swimming demands thinking and concentration and is a lesson in how to live life. You cannot blame anyone but yourself.'

In fact, it was through swimming that she met Maor Schaal, who would later become her husband. They met as teenagers and still swim together on the Swim KY masters team, where she has competed nationally for the past three

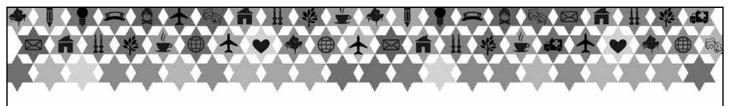
Together they have four daughters. Noy, 20, is in her third year at Speed Scientific School studying to be a computer engineer, which Schaal attributes to the encouragement of Maor, who is the CEO of a computer engineering firm, Titan Pro. Seventeen-year-old Yuval will graduate from Manual High School this spring and follow her sister to the Speed School, also to study engineering. Twins Hala and Yam, 14, who attend Ballard and Kentucky Country Day, might be the best bets to follow their mother into medicine. Yam just won first place at the science fair in the medical/health cate-

The four Schaal daughters spend their summers in Israel. All were born in Israel, and the family feels that it is important to maintain the language and the traditions of their home country. When they first arrived in Louisville, their oldest daughter was in eighth grade and found the adjustment to life in the U.S.

It took three to four years for the children to feel comfortable in their new environment," said Schaal.

Schaal describes people in Louisville as "welcoming and warm-hearted" and feels embraced by the community here. She likes the religious diversity in Louisville and in the U.S. in general. The secular nature of society and the fact that life is not dominated by religious practice or politics also appeals to her. The Schaal family is not religious but continues to celebrate Jewish holidays and traditions.

Schaal's mother Ida Golen is now retired and has suffered some health issues in recent years. Joseph Golen died 12 years ago. Dr. Schaal travels to visit her mother in Israel frequently and hopes Golen can travel to Louisville to attend the MOSAIC Awards ceremony



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PJ Library reaches out to young families

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ing with Becky and Marsha."

A native Louisvillian, Swansburg and her husband, Michael Swansburg, are the parents of twins who will soon be turning 2 and have been enrolled in The PJ Library since they were born. It has been such a positive experience for the entire family that she is excited to be working with the program and excited about getting started.

"Every book your child receives will be age appropriate," Swansburg said, "whether your child is 6 months old or 6 years. So for the younger children, it might be a picture book or a song book.

One of the nicest things," she continued, "is many of the books focus on the Jewish holidays, so it's a wonderful opportunity to start exposing your children to them."

With Passover starting next week, Swansburg explained, "This months PJ Library book for children adge 1-2 is about the song 'Dayenu.' We've been singing it with the twins every morning, and my son, Robert, now goes around singing 'Dayenu,' which he learned from this book.

For the Swansburgs, "Dayenu" led to other questions, and they've been discussing Passover, Seder plates and the Haggadah. Now when they arrive at Keneseth Israel for preschool, her daughter, Molly will point out the Seder plate in the gift shop.

"No matter how young your child is," she observed, "the books will provide exposure to Jewish words and holidays and will create Jewish learning experiences in your home and the PJ Library events will let your children learn with other kids in the community.

"The other wonderful thing about The PJ Library," Swansburg noted, "is there is no cost for the families that participate. Our Jewish Community Federation has been very generous in making this program available to any family with Jewish children or Jewish grandchildren in the community."

Swansburg issued a call to action: "If you have children - newborn to age 8 – or grandchildren or nieces or nephews that age, you should absolutely sign them up today. It's a wonderful program that brings a love of Judaism into your home every month." And watch for notices of upcoming PJ Library events.

Swansburg is the chief marketing officer at Stonewood Financial, a local financial services firm. She's a mem-

ber of the Jewish Community Relations Council and the family belongs to The Temple. She also serves on the boards of the local chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners and the Rauch Planetarium at the University of Louisville.

She earned her B.S. in political science from Middlebury College and her M.A. in communications from Boston University. Following her graduation, she worked for a U.S. congressman and briefly at the White House before returning to Louisville with her husband. She worked for Greater Louisville Inc. before taking her current position.

As a teen in Louisville, she was active at the JCC and participated in both BBYO and NFTY. She also visited Israel with NFTY when she was in high school.

Tuvlin also grew up in Louisville and has been a leader both as a young adult and as a teen. In 2009 and 2010, she co-chaired the Young Adult Division of the Federation Campaign and in 2009, received the Lewis W. Cole Memorial Young Leadership Award for all her hard work. She is a member of the Ben Gurion Society and continues to volunteer for the Campaign.

She's a member of the JCC, Congregation Adath Jeshurun and National Council of Jewish Women. In the general community, she serves as secretary of the StageOne Theatre board, is a member of Dunn Elementary School's PTA and has served on its Site Based Decision Making Council.

In the past, Tuvlin was a member of the JCC's Board and chaired its Early Childhood Department. She was also on the Keneseth Israel Preschool Board and helped with the formation of the merged Sunday School program for Adath Jeshurun, Keneseth Israel and Temple Shalom that today is part of Beit Sefer Yachad.

Although she was born in New York, Jennifer Tuvlin moved to Louisville with her family in 1980. She was very active in BBYO and won the Ellen Faye Garmon Award while she was in high school.

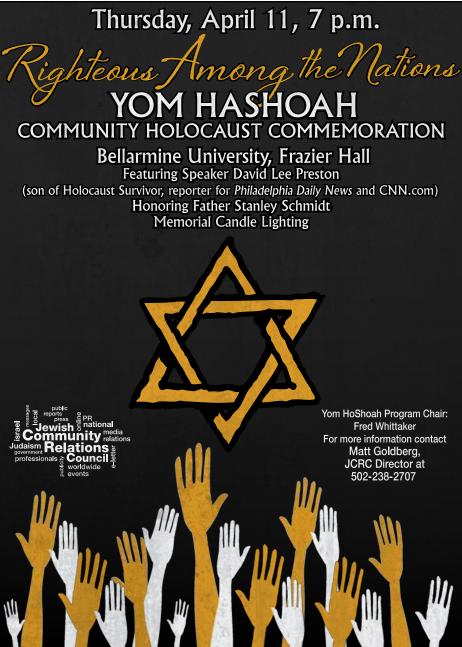
She did her undergraduate work at the University of Michigan and attended law school at Emory University. Before returning to Louisville, she worked as an attorney for eight years, concentrating in reinsurance and coverage law. Today, she works part time for Westlaw, doing legal research.

She and her husband, Jeff, a gastroenterologist, came home to Louisville in 2004. They have three children, Andrew, 12; Ethan, 10; and Jared, 7.

ish well-being. The campus also serves a valuable outreach purpose, engaging people from all faiths and providing the opportunity for people of all religions to share positive experiences together. I'm pleased to report that JCC membership and fees from the programs we run here mean that campaign dollars are focused on Jewish mission-based programming and development, and helping those in need locally and around the world by providing basic needs, Jewish identity-building, education, social and other support.

Join with so many of your friends and neighbors, and help us achieve the level of support to ensure we are able to carry out our mission, building and sustaining the Jewish community here and around the world. If you haven't yet made your pledge, do so now. Thank you.





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anthropic efforts fun and relevant, of improving the quality and content of our programming, of continuing to leverage our new agency model to reduce unnecessary expenditures, use technology to increase effective decision-making, and use the fact that we all now reside in the Center to speed execution of our plans.

Speaking of the Center, I wanted to share with you one part of my response to the committee: As the central Jewish address, the JCL campus provides a meeting place where Jews, no matter their level of observance, whether affiliated or not, and irrespective of whether their family contains members of other faiths, can participate together in a variety of programs that enhance their Jew-

Save the self-pity, choices abound for Passover meals

by Helen Nash

(JTA) - For the many who feel overwhelmed by Passover because of the demands of cooking without leaven, a word or two: That should not be an obstacle.

After all, on this most celebrated of Jewish holidays, we are allowed to eat fish, meat, poultry, eggs, nuts, fruits, most vegetables and fresh herbs.

All of the recipes featured here are nutritious, attractive, flavorful and easy to prepare. They emphasize fresh, seasonal ingredients, fewer complicated techniques, and stylish, elegant dishes. What more would you want for Passover?

The Seder meals, when we recount the Exodus story, are the most important events of the holiday. Most people, like myself, favor their own traditional menu. Each year I repeat the Seder menu as a way to hold on to cherished family traditions.

The recipes are from the new cookbook "Helen Nash's New Kosher Cuisine" (Overlook Press).

BEET SOUP

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With their magnificent color, delicious

flavor and vitamin richness, beets are one of my favorite vegetables. In the summer I serve this soup at room temperature; in the winter I like it hot.

Ingredients:

1/4 pounds (570 g) beets, plus 1 small beet for garnish

2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil small red onion, sliced

2 garlic cloves, sliced 1 McIntosh apple, peeled and sliced 4 1/2 cups (1.08 liters) vegetable broth

2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar 1 tablespoon dark brown sugar

Kosher salt Freshly ground black pepper

Preparation:

Peel and slice the beets (see note below). Heat the oil in a medium saucepan. Add the onion, garlic and apple, and sauté for 5 minutes. Add the beets and broth. Bring to a boil over high heat. Lower the heat and cook, covered, for about 30 minutes, until the beets are tender. Cool a little.

While the soup is cooking, wrap the reserved beet tightly in foil. Bake in a toaster oven at 400 degrees Fahrenheit (205 Celsius) for 30 minutes, or until just tender when pierced with the tip of a paring knife. Cool, slip off the skin, and

Puree the soup in a blender until very smooth. Season to taste with the vinegar, sugar, salt and pepper.

To serve, garnish with the grated beet; makes 6 servings.

Note: I always wear thin plastic gloves when I work with beets, as this avoids staining my fingers with beet juice, which can be hard to remove.

Preparation:

Place the onion slices in a small bowl and cover with cold water. Let stand for 30 minutes. Drain and pat dry. Place in a large serving bowl.

Pat the chicken dry with paper towels and grease with oil. Season lightly with salt and pepper.

Place each chicken breast in the center of a piece of cling wrap and wrap it so that it is completely covered. Place the packages in a steamer, cover and steam over high heat for about 9 minutes. (The inside of the chicken should still be pale pink.) Turn off the heat and let stand for 1 minute.

Remove the chicken and cool, still wrapped. When cool, unwrap the chicken and cut it on the diagonal into thin strips. Place in the bowl with the onions; makes 6 servings.



Chicken Salad With Radicchio and Pine Nuts is colorful and features an interesting mixture of textures and tastes. "HELEN NASH'S NEW KOSHER CUISINE." OVERLOOK PRESS

SWEET AND SOUR DRESSING

Ingredients:

1/3 cup (80 ml) extra virgin olive oil

1/2 cup (70 g) pine nuts

1/2 cup (115 g) raisins or currants

2 tablespoons Marsala wine

2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar Preparation:

Heat the oil in a saucepan.

Add the pine nuts and raisins and sauté over low heat until the pine nuts are lightly golden. Remove from the heat and add Marsala and vinegar. Add the radicchio, arugula, and parsley to the chicken and onions; toss with the dressing. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Beet Soup is pareve and can be served at room temperature or hot. "HELEN NASH'S NEW KOSHER CUISINE." OVERLOOK PRESS

CHICKEN SALAD WITH RADICCHIO AND PINE NUTS

This is a colorful and delicious salad with an interesting mixture of textures and tastes. The currants and pine nuts add an unusual Mediterranean piquancy.

Ingredients:

1 small red onion, very thinly sliced 6 boneless, skinless chicken breasts (about 6 ounces/170 g each)

2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil for greasing the chicken

Kosher salt

Freshly ground black pepper 1 head radicchio, shredded

1 to 2 bunches arugula, leaves torn if

they are large

1/2 cup (20 g) loosely packed flat-leaf parsley, finely chopped

MARINATED SALMON

This is a variation on the traditional pickled salmon sold in every Jewish delicatessen. The difference: The salmon is more delicate and less vinegary, and has a richer color. It makes a perfect Sabbath luncheon dish.

Ingredients:

6 skinless center-cut salmon fillets (about 6 ounces/170 g each)

1 teaspoon extra virgin olive oil for greasing the pan

Kosher salt

Freshly ground black pepper

Preparation:

Preheat the oven to 200 F (95 C). Grease a glass or enamel-lined baking see **RECIPES** page 13



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pan so the fillets are in a single layer.

Pat the fillets dry with paper towels and season them lightly on both sides with salt and pepper. Place them in the dish and bake, uncovered, for 25 to 30 minutes, or until cooked to your taste.

Remove the baking pan from the oven, cover with foil, and let cool completely. (The fish will continue cooking outside of the oven.)

MARINADE

Ingredients:

3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil

4 tablespoons rice vinegar (for Passover, replace with white wine vinegar)

1-1/2 teaspoons salt

Freshly ground black pepper

1 small red onion, very thinly sliced (see note below)

15 dill sprigs, snipped finely with scissors, plus 2 sprigs, snipped, for

Preparation:

In a medium bowl, whisk together the olive oil, vinegar and salt. Add pepper to taste. Pour the marinade over the salmon, add the onion and sprinkle with the 15 snipped sprigs of dill. Cover the dish with wax paper, then foil and refrigerate for 2 to 3 days without turning.

To serve: Bring the salmon to room temperature. Place on plates with some of the marinade and onions. Garnish with the fresh snipped dill; makes 6

Note: I use a mandoline to slice the onion, as it makes the cutting easier.

CHICKEN WITH POTATOES AND OLIVES

I am always pleased to come up with a dish that is a meal in itself - one that combines either chicken or meat with vegetables. This is one of my favorites, and because it is so easy to make, I often serve it at Passover. I bake it in an attractive casserole, so it can go directly from the oven to the table.

Ingredients:

5 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil

9 garlic cloves

Kosher salt

1/4 cup (60 ml) freshly squeezed lemon juice

Leaves from 10 thyme sprigs Freshly ground black pepper 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts (about 6 ounces/170 g each)

5 plum tomatoes

1 pound (450 g) Yukon gold potatoes, unpeeled, quartered

1/2 cup (67 g) pitted black olives, quartered

Preparation:

Preheat the oven to 450 F (230 C). With 1 tablespoon of the oil, grease a glass, ceramic or enamel-lined baking pan that can hold all the vegetables in a single layer.

Coarsely chop 4 of the garlic cloves on a cutting board. Sprinkle with 1/2 teaspoon salt and, using a knife, crush them into a paste. Place the paste in a small bowl and combine it with the lemon juice, 2 tablespoons of the oil, half of the thyme leaves and pepper to taste.

Pat dry the chicken breasts with paper towels and season lightly on both sides with salt and pepper. Coat the chicken with the mixture and set aside.

Bring a pot of water to a boil. Drop the tomatoes into the boiling water; bring the water back to a boil and drain. Core the tomatoes and slip off the skin. Cut the tomatoes in half widthwise and squeeze gently to remove the seeds. (Some seeds will remain.) Cut the tomatoes in quarters.

Thickly slice the remaining 5 garlic cloves and spread them in the prepared baking pan along with the tomatoes, potatoes, olives, the rest of the thyme leaves, and the remaining 2 tablespoons oil. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Roast the vegetables, uncovered, for 20 minutes, or until almost tender.

Place the chicken breasts on top of the vegetables and bake, uncovered, for 5 minutes. Turn them over, spoon on some pan juices and bake for another 5 minutes, or until the chicken is slightly pink on the inside. Cover with foil for 1 minute; makes 4 servings.

STIR-FRIED SPINACH

This is a delicious recipe that captures the very essence of spinach. Now that prewashed spinach is available in almost every supermarket, you can prepare this dish in minutes.

Ingredients: 20 ounces (570 g) prewashed spinach 1-1/2 tablespoons pine nuts 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil Kosher salt

Freshly ground black pepper

Preparation:

Break the stems off the spinach leaves and discard.

Roast the pine nuts in a toaster oven on the lowest setting for 1 or 2 minutes, until they are golden. (Watch them care-

fully, as they burn quickly.)

Heat a wok over high heat until hot.

Add the oil. Add the spinach and stir quickly until it is just wilted, no more than a minute. Season with salt and pepper. With a slotted spoon, transfer the spinach to a serving dish. Sprinkle the pine nuts on top; makes 6 servings.

CHOCOLATE MERINGUE SQUARES

These meringue squares are like cookies, but they are light, chocolaty and surprisingly low in calories. I often serve them at Passover.

Ingredients:

1 tablespoon (15 g) unsalted margarine for greasing the pan

1/2 pound (225 g) blanched almonds 6 ounces (170 g) good-quality imported semisweet chocolate, broken into small pieces

8 large egg whites (see notes) 1 cup (200 g) sugar

Preparation:

Preheat the oven to 350 F (175 C). Line a 9-by-13-by-2-inch (23-by-33-by-5 cm) baking pan with wax paper and grease the paper with the margarine.

Chop the almonds in a food processor, in two batches, until medium-fine. Transfer to a bowl. Chop the chocolate in the processor until fine, and combine with the almonds.

Place the egg whites in the bowl of an electric stand mixer. Using the balloon whisk attachment, beat at high speed until foamy. Gradually add the sugar and beat until stiff.

With a large rubber spatula, gently fold the chocolate-almond mixture into the egg whites, making a motion like a figure 8 with the spatula. Do not overmix.

Spoon the batter into the prepared pan and smooth the top. Bake on the middle shelf of the oven for 25 to 30 minutes, until a cake tester inserted in the center comes out almost dry.

Cool on a wire rack. Invert onto a cutting board and peel off the paper. Cut into 1-1/2-inch (4 cm) squares; makes 3-1/2 dozen squares.

Notes: It is easier to separate the eggs straight from the refrigerator, when they are cold. Make sure the whites have come to room temperature before beat-

To freeze the squares, place them side by side in an air-tight plastic container, with wax paper between the layers.



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heritage of United States citizens. He also served as chair of the congressionally recognized Commission for Commemorating 350 Years of American Jewish History, and was appointed to the Academic Advisory Council of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Com-







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Felson will share his experiences lobbying in Washington, D.C., to help the Louisville Jewish community improve its lobbying, political involvement and grassroots organization.

The JCPA is the public affairs arm of

the organized American Jewish community, representing 14 national Jewish agencies and 125 local Jewish Community Relations Councils (JCRC). Louisville's JCRC is a member, and a delegation of eight Louisvillians recently attended the organization's annual Plenum. (See JCRC Update, page 2.)

Felson has written and spoken on a broad range of topics including anti-Semitism, civil liberties, civility, freedom of speech, hate crimes, homeland security, interfaith relations, the role of religion and state, and non-profit tax issues. He is one of the lead professionals navigating the Jewish community's relationships with Mainline Protestant and Evangelical Christians, Muslims, and others – and has spent 10 years in the trenches combating anti-Israel delegitimization in American

He has guided JCPA's participation in Supreme Court briefs on subjects including hate crimes, school vouchers, and religious liberties. He also leads JCPA's national campaign to restore civility to Jewish and general discourse.

He is the author of a groundbreaking report analyzing the demographics of Palestinian Christians, a chapter on Evangelical Jewish relations in "Uneasy Allies" (Temple University and Jewish Theological Seminary), and numerous articles and op-eds that have appeared in S'hma, JTA, The Forward, and else-

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Becky Ruby Swansburg is chairing this event.

RSVP to either or both events to Mary Jean Timmel, 238-2739 or mjtimmel@ jewishlouisville.org.

JCC hires Lipkin as new **Middle School Director**

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

"Our commitment to a vibrant engaging middle school program is as strong as ever. The Jewish Community Center is pleased to announce that it has hired Rachel Lipkin as middle school director," said Jewish Community of Louisville Senior Vice



Rachel Lipkin, JCC's new Middle School **Director**

President and Chief Operating Officer Sara Wagner. "Rachel is energetic and creative and will be a great addition to the middle school department, building on the success of the past few years.'

A December graduate of Ohio State University with a B.A. in political science, Lipkin grew up in Youngstown, OH, where her father, Andrew Lipkin, is the assistant executive director and campaign director for the Youngstown Area Jewish Federation.

Rachel Lipkin grew up at the JCC, starting in the day care program and at summer camp. She even had her bat mitzvah party at the JCC. As she got older, she attended Camp Wise, the Cleveland JCC's overnight camp, and for the last five summers, she worked there. Last summer, she was the programming director and arts and culture supervisor. Prior to that, she worked at the camp as a lifeguard.

Lipkin also has a lot of BBYO and other programming experience, and said, "I knew coming out of college I wanted to work for a Jewish organization, and it led me here.'

She's eager to apply her talents here to build on the successful teen connection and camp programs at the JCC – adding Jewish content and helping both strong programs continue to raise the bar.

While in college, Lipkin had five internships - some political and some Jewish. In the political arena, she was the campaign communications intern for Ohio Governor Ted Strickland in 2010; and served internships in both 2010 and 2011 with Congressman Tim Ryan of Ohio's 17th District in Youngstown and with U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown in Columbus, OH.

In the Jewish communal service field, she served as an intern for the Ohio Jewish Communities in Columbus and see **LIPKIN** page 15



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In statements, Obama and Netanyahu convey broad agreement on Iran, Syria, two state solution

By Ben Sales (JTA)

President Obama and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu conveyed broad consensus on Israel's top security priorities in a statements following a meeting in Jerusalem.

In the statements, given on the first

Pope Francis tells Jewish leaders they have 'special spiritual bond'

Pope Francis told Jewish leaders that Catholics and Jews are "bound by a very special spiritual bond."

The new pontiff also pledged to foster the interfaith dialogue begun with the Nostra Aetate decree of the Second Vatican Council.

"I thank you for your presence and trust that with the help of the Almighty, we can continue that fruitful fraternal dialogue that the Council wished for," he said. "And that it is actually achieved, bringing many fruits, especially during the last decades."

Francis made the remarks during an audience with the Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, Sikh, Jain and non-Catholic Christian delegations that had attended his inauguration.

He said the Catholic Church was "aware of the importance of the promotion of friendship and respect between men and women of different religious traditions. This I wish to repeat: the promotion of friendship and respect between men and women of different religious traditions."

Among the dozen Jewish leaders in attendance were Rome's chief rabbi, Riccardo Di Segni; Abraham Foxman, the national director of the Anti-Defamation League; Rabbi David Rosen, the American Jewish Committee's international director of Interreligious Affairs; and Claudio Epelman, the executive director of the Latin American Jewish Congress, with whom Francis also had a private audience.

"There is no doubt that Catholic-Jewish relations will go from strength to even greater strength during Pope Francis' pontificate," said Rosen, who is among the few Jews to have received a papal knighthood.

Di Segni sat next to the pope during the encounter. According to the Rome Jewish news site Shalom7, when Francis and Di Segni exchanged personal greetings, the pontiff joked that he had "gotten a lot of information" about Di Segni and saw that he was "very active on Facebook."

Shalom7 said Di Segni greeted the pontiff's reference to social media "with a smile." There are numerous Italian Jewish Facebook pages that feature news and other updates.

day of Obama's first presidential trip to Israel, Obama and Netanyahu emphasized the strength of the United States-Israel alliance. They both said that Iran cannot be allowed to obtain a nuclear weapon, that Israel should achieve peace with the Palestinians, and that the bloodshed in Syria's civil war must end.

"I know you appreciate that Israel will never cede the right to defend itself to others, even its greatest friends, and Israel has no better friend than the United States," Netanyahu said. "I look forward to continuing to work with you."

On Iran, Netanyahu said that "Israel must be able to defend itself, by itself, against any threat" – a statement he has made several times.

Obama reiterated that the United States will not allow Iran to achieve nuclear capability.

"A nuclear armed Iran would be a threat to the region, a threat to the world and potentially an existential threat to Israel," Obama said. "Our policy is to prevent Iran from having a nuclear weapon."

Obama said multiple times that "we prefer to resolve this diplomatically" but that "all options are on the table."

While Netanyahu began his statement speaking about Iran, Obama began by saying that he is working to extend U.S. military assistance to Israel, including funding the Iron Dome missile defense system.

He then moved to discussing the peace process, which he said he would discuss more during a speech to the Israeli public.

"A central element of a lasting peace is a strong and secure Jewish state where Israeli security needs are met alongside a sovereign and independent Palestinian state," Obama said. "We'll continue to look for steps that Israelis and Palestinians can take to build confidence."

Netanyahu said that despite leading a new coalition government, Israel remained committed to the two-state see **OBAMA** page 17

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the Jewish Community Relations Committee intern for the Columbus Jewish Federation.

At Ohio State, she was an active member of Hillel and served as the campus entrepreneur intern and president of the Jewish Business Students Association. "I recruited 60 uninvolved Jewish students," she explained, "and got them involved on campus." She was also a member of the Jewish sorority Alpha Epsilon Phi

Her leadership experience from her high school BBYO days will also serve her well. She was on the Regional Board for the Ohio Northern Region and participated in BBYO's International Program, through which she visited Vienna, Budapest, Prague and Israel.

Her parents are Andrew and Hilari Lipkin, and she has an older brother,

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Knesset members join Women of the Wall at prayer service

Three female Knesset members joined the Women of the Wall for the group's monthly prayer service at the Western Wall.

No arrests were made during the service, which marked the new Jewish month of Nissan, the first time in months that no arrests were made during the Rosh Chodesh gathering. But the female lawmakers, as well as several other women, reportedly were stopped by police who demanded that they leave behind their tallit prayer shawls before entering the Western Wall Plaza.

Stav Shaffir of the Labor Party and Tamar Zandberg and Michal Rozin of Meretz used their Knesset immunity to enter the area with their prayer shawls, while other women had men bring them in for them.

"For 24 years, the Women of the Wall have been praying at a site sacred to the Jewish people and for years they have been stopped just because they seek to pray in their own way," Shaffir wrote on her Facebook page after the event. "This morning, following hate banners in the haredi press, I joined them. At first we were prevented from entering the square on the grounds we were disturbing the order but there is nothing that 100 women armed with a shawl can't do."

The rabbi of the Western Wall, Shmuel Rabinowitz, condemned Tuesday's prayer service in a statement issued to the media. He said the women brought "brothers against brothers in unnecessary confrontation" and noted that the wall next to Robinson's Arch has been designated as the area for women's prayer services.

"The Western Wall is the only place shared by all the people of Israel - and it is not the place to decide or express a world view," Rabinowitz said. "I urge anyone for whom the Wall is dear to do whatever he can to keep disputes outside the plaza, and leave the people of Israel one place where there are no demonstrations, clashes and hatred."

Women of the Wall chairwoman Anat Hoffman lodged a formal complaint with Minister of Public Security Yitzhak Aharonovitch and Israel Police Chief Yohanan Danino alleging "incitement of violence against Women of the Wall" over unsigned posters, called pashkevillim, that were hung in haredi Orthodox neighborhoods of Jerusalem, the organization said on its website.

Women of the Wall has held a prayer service at the holy site, known as the Kotel in Hebrew, almost every month for the past two decades. The service is held on Rosh Chodesh, the first day of the new Hebrew month, at the back of the women's section.

At last month's service, Jerusalem police arrested 10 women, including the sister and niece of American comedian Sarah Silverman, for disturbing public order. Two weeks later, a women's Megillah reading for Purim took place undisturbed.

In 2003, Israel's Supreme Court upheld a government ban on women wearing tefillin or tallit prayer shawls, or reading from a Torah scroll at the Wall.



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TEEN TOPICS

BBYO International Convention

by Deborah Levin

International Convention 2013: "From the Roots We Build" took place in Washington, D.C., from February 14-18. Over 1,500 teens representing 18 different countries from across the globe attended.

Three Louisville BBYO teens were there: Natania Lipp, who received the Gold Star of Deborah International Award; Maggie Rosen and Deborah Levin, who received the Silver Star of Deborah International Award and the International Eternal Light Recruitment Award. Staff memers Mike Steklof and Glenn Sadle also attended.

Over the five days, teens reunited with



KIO Delegation at International Convention

friends from international programs and made many new friends from around the world.

IC began with an incredible, heart-racing opening ceremony that included a welcome video message from President Obama. The president addressed the audience, "this gathering gives you a chance to affirm your faith and recommit yourselves to the enduring values this organization represents." He then encouraged the teens to return home, spread their enthusiasm and show the important role that teens play in making a difference in society.

The Convention body also heard from Michael Froman, assistant to the President of the United States and deputy national security advisor for International Economic Affairs. Froman, an alumnus of BBYO and former grand aleph godol (international teen president of AZA), referenced BBYO as having contributed most to who he is today.

During the first day, all of the participants went into D.C. for a day of community and advocacy called BBYO Stand Up Day of Service and Advocacy. It started with the presentation of the Annual BBYO Stand UP Lifetime Achievement Award to DNC Chairwoman and Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz, who spoke about the importance of standing up for critical causes of the day.

The Convention body also heard remarks from Josh Mandel, a Marine Corps veteran and state treasurer of Ohio. Wrapping up the plenary, United States Ambassador to the United Na-



Natania Lipp and Deborah Levine at IC

tions Susan Rice delivered a call to action before the delegates went into the D.C. community for hands-on service and advocacy training.

At the end of the day, teens attending the convention helped more than 40 organizations all over D.C. and served a grand total of 6,000 hours. That night teens welcomed Shabbat and attended different services and electives.

On Saturday, attendees spent the day rotating between electives. Saturday night included a Havdallah service and the awards gala where the State of the Order was given by the international n'siah and grand aleph godol (BBG and AZA presidents).

Sunday morning teens woke up bright and early and attended elections of the 69th BBG and 89th AZA international boards. Sunday night, the final night of IC 2013, Hoodie Allen and Timeflies performed, which was the end of the best and largest International Convention in BBYO history. It was truly an unforgettable experience!

Jay Levine BBG by Rachel Bass

Yes, March is the month famous for basketball, but Jay Levine BBG has experienced March Madness since Day 1. From new MITs to basketball picks, the Toucans have been nonstop active.

On March 3, the board welcomed eight eager MITs (Members in Training) with a BBYO introductory meeting. The girls learned about everything BBYO, from regions to traditions to songs. They were able to ask questions and learn about what the Jewish teens in BBYO get to do in depth.

Their parents, on March 12, were then

invited to a PIT (Parent in Training, because it is that serious) meeting to learn about what their daughters will be doing in BBYO. The girls were all extremely excited to begin BBYO, and it is clearly a promising recruitment group.

March 8-10 was a memorable week-



Hillary Reskin and Ben Koby leading Shabbat Services at the Shabbat Dinner

end for the teens who went to Hamilton, OH, for the Kallah convention. The weekend was filled with activities from a Holocaust memorial to song sessions, all followed by a sleep-filled bus ride home.

With new MITs involved, Jay Levine stepped up their game and had events every weekend of March. On March 15, the girls and Drew Corson AZA got together for a Shabbat dinner. Hillary Reskin and Ben Koby led Friday night services, the candles were lit, and challah was chomped on.

The evening continued with dinner provided by each of the teens (potluck is always a favorite!) and the election of the chapters' beau and sweetheart. The beau is Eli Gould and the sweetheart is Maggie Rosen

Maggie Rosen.
On March 22, Jay Levine will be holding a six-fold sleepover: Silver Linings Playbook. The board, along with eight chapter members, has been working endlessly to plan fun and meaningful programs and are looking forward to the night. It's sure to include lots of bonding, tons of food, and endless good times. If you are an eighth-grade girl, look for your invitation in the mail!

March has proven to be jam-packed and totally fun, and the girls are anxiously awaiting the last half of the term.

Drew Corson AZA by Kyle Gordon

Drew Corson hosted a Kidnappings Program for the eighth grade members in late February. After the overnight programming, all present went to Waffle House and then to Skyzone to participate in the eighth-grade recruitment



Louisville BBYO at Selection Sunday

From March 8-10, four Drew Corson members attended Regional Kallah in Hamilton, OH. The Drew Corson boys learned many things about their Jewish identity and helping others.

On March 15, the Drew Corson boys and Jay Levine girls gathered to have a Shabbat dinner. There were some great food and services, and the Beau and Sweetheart were elected by the present

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Revolutionary treatment at WGH saves infant with whooping cough



Blood replacement helped save a 4 month old's life in the Western Galile Hospital.

Innovative treatment is a critical factor in the care for many patients, as was true for a 4-month-old infant brought to Western Galile Hospital recently. Left with few care options, the multidisciplinary staff of WGH attempted an approach that has never before been used in Israel.

The revolutionary use of blood replacement proved to be the deciding factor in the life of this small patient who was successfully released from the hospital after recovery.

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solution

"Let me be clear, Israel remains fully committed to peace and the solution of two states for two peoples," he said. "We extend our hand in friendship and peace to the Palestinian people."

Earlier in trip, Obama viewed the Iron Dome system and met with Israeli President Shimon Peres. Obama will also visit Israeli cultural sites, speak to a crowd of Israeli citizens and meet with Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas and Prime Minister Salam Fayyad. He will then visit Jordan.

REDESIGN

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ries and features. If you would like to help write or have a story idea, please contact me at jcl@jewishlouisville.org

This remake is just one part of the Jewish Community of Louisville's Strategic Marketing Plan, which we began implementing since October. This strategic plan focuses on JCL's two major brands: program and service delivery through the Jewish Community Center and financial resource development through the Jewish Federation of Louisville. It also highlights the programs and services it delivers through the Jewish Foundation of Louisville, the Jewish Community Relations Council, Hillel and *Community*.

As a division of the JCL, the role of *Community* is expanding. We are taking the brand to the JCL weekly e-letter, which is distributed on Wednesdays, and a news section of our website.

Community and the Marketing Department also administer the JCL's web sites. Planning has begun to redesign www.jewishlouisville.org to make it easier to navigate, more user friendly and to improve its functionality by expanding your options for registering and paying for classes and programs online. This work is in its earliest stages, so it will be some time before it is reality, but the process has begun. A survey on the current website's strengths and weaknesses will be distributed soon.

We hope you enjoy these changes. We look forward to providing the information you want and need as we continue to improve our service to you.

Reported by Jerusalem Post's Health Reporter Judy Segal-Itzkovich, the proceedure required the cooperation of multiple departments and individuals; Dr. Zeev Sonis, Director of Pediatric ICU; Dr. Yoav Hoffman and Dr. Hussein Dabbah of the Pediatric ICU, Dr. Amir Kuperman of Hemotology; and Dr. Danny Glickman, Director of Pediatric Infectious Disease Unit.

Help JFCS Meet 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, and Jewish Family & Career Services is one of the participating agencies.

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 from March 1 through April 30, will be matched as part of the Feinstein Challenge to Fight Hunger. The more local participation there is, the greater the grant to JFCS will be.

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.

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

CHAVURAT SHALOM

Chavurat Shalom meets at The Temple, 5101 U.S. Highway 42. It is a community-wide program. All synagogue members and Jewish residents welcome.

March 21

On the Road at Adath Jeshurun. Rabbi Robert Slosberg will lead a discussion about Passover and Cantor David Lipp will present some famous Broadway tunes.

March 28

Piano concert featuring Nada Loutfi.

April 4

On the Road at Temple Shalom. Rabbi Miles will present "America and the Holocaust."

April 11

Piano concert by Hannah Parker.

April 18

Senior University, see article, page •••.

April 25

Lev Rooks-Rapport will present "10 Famous Jews."

May 2

No meeting. Happy Derby!

A healthy and nutritious lunch is available at noon for a cost of \$5, followed by the program at 1 p.m. Kosher meals and transportation available for \$5 upon request in advance. Call Cindy at 423-1818 for lunch reservations or information.

Funding for Chavurat Shalom is provided by the Jewish Community of Louisville, National Council of Jewish Women, a Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence Grant, The Temple's Men of Reform Judaism and Women of Reform Judaism and many other generous donors.

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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 may be available. For more

information, contact Mauri Malka, director of the JFCS Klein Older Adult Services, ext. 250 or mmalka@ jfcslouisville.org. Funding provided by the Jewish Heritage Mitzvah Fund.

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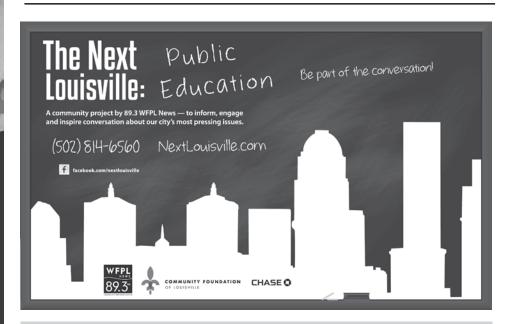
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Jewish Hospital, part of Kentucky-One Health, has received two awards from the American Heart Association and the American Stroke Association.

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Jewish Hospital has a policy of evaluating the overall health of potential transplant patients without regard to age. That policy recently benefited a

73-year-old man who became the oldest patient in Kentucky to receive a lung transplant. He had pulmonary fibrosis, a permanent scarring of the lung tissue, but otherwise was in good health, and all his other organs were healthy. However, without the transplant, he only had about a year to live. Other transplant centers refused to perform the procedure on him because of his age.

Lung transplant candidates most often are those who have tried other forms of therapy without success, have end-stage pulmonary disease or have a short-term likelihood of survival without a transplant.

Louise Miller of Prudential Parks and Weisberg and The Miller Team was recently named top sales associate for her company for 2012. Prudential Parks and Weisberg is a family-owned company with 50 years selling residential and commercial real estate in Louisville.

Business First reported on March 1 that Heaven Hill Distilleries Inc. is considering increasing capacity at its Louisville facility. If approved by the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority, the project would increase Heaven Hill's capacity by 50 per-

The March 1 edition of Business First announced that Michelle Jones' "Menu and Hours" app is preparing to expand to the Lexington and Cincinnati markets. The iPhone app displays the menus, hours, locations and contact information for independent restaurants, currently only in the Louisville area.

Tanya Mischenko, a recent University of Louisville and Hillel graduate, has started a new interactive technology company called Spinige. Its first product is an iPhone app for creating 360-degree photography that can be uploaded to any social media website. The company name is, taken from the term "spin image" - 360-degree interactive photography - and is pronounced like "spinach," because as Tanya says, "Vegetables are better than fruit.

The Spinige app is available on the iPhone app store; an Android app is in development.

Today's Woman has published its list of nominees for Most Admired Woman; among the nominees are Najla Aswad, Food/Entertainment; Susan Hershberg, Food/Entertainment; Justice Lisabeth Abramson, Political; and Ruth **Brinkley**, Health/Healthcare.

To vote for Most Admired Woman, go to www.todayswoman.com and scroll to the "Most Admired Woman" link.

Jane Goldstein, assistant dean for development and external relations, University of Louisville College of Business, was one of three 2013 EPIC Award Judges for the National Association of Women Business Owners.

In the March 8 Business First Partners in Health Care supplement, the following people were among those identified as 2013 Partners who do vital work to drive the area's health care industry: William M. Altman, executive vice president for strategy, policy and integrated care for Kindred Healthcare Inc.; Ruth W. Brinkley, president and CEO of KentuckyOne Health Inc.; Dr. E. Britt **Brockman**, managing partner of the John-Kenyon Eye Institute; Shari Craig, vice president of the Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's Foundation for KentuckyOne Health Inc.; George Emont, managing partner of Triathlon Medical Ventures and Kentucky Seed Capital Fund; **Ken Gould**, co-owner of Gould's Discount Medical; Deborah K. Molnar, vice president, KentuckyOne Health Inc.; Mark **Prussian**, CEO The Eye Care Institute; Dr. Allan Tasman, chairman and professor, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Schwab Endowed Chair in Social, Community and Family Psychiatry, University of Louisville School of Medicine; and William B. Yarmuth, CEO of Almost Family.

The University of Louisville has announced that U.S. Supreme Court **Justice John Paul Stevens** will receive the 2013 Brandeis Medal during an April 18 ceremony and lecture at the Seelbach Hilton Hotel. Stevens was nominated as an associate justice of the Supreme Court by President Gerald Ford in 1975. At the time of his retirement in 2010, Stevens was the oldest member of the Court and the third longest-serving justice in the court's history.

The award is given by the university's Louis D. Brandeis School of Law to people who practice the ideals of personal freedom, concern for the disadvantaged and public service. The medal is given in tribute to Brandeis, a former U.S. Supreme Court justice from Louisville and namesake of the law school.

Rowe to help manage Team USA in 2013 **Maccabiah Games**

by Dianna Ott

When Evan Rowe served as an assistant track and field coach representing Team USA at the 18th World Maccabiah Games in Israel in 2009, he called it "the experience of a lifetime."

"Even though it's been four years, not a week goes by that I don't hear from friends I made at the games," Rowe said. "I still get e-mails from people I met from Africa and from Russia. They became my friends for life."

In July, Rowe will be returning to the Maccabiah Games, this time as an accommodations manager. He'll be assigned by Team USA to facilitate the schedules, transportation and other needs of American athletes during the three-week stay in Israel.

Rowe began working behind the scenes with the planning committee months ago by helping locate Jewish athletes in the United States. One assignment required sending out over 2,000 emails with information about the

Although he doesn't know yet which city or which hotel he'll be assigned to, Rowe looks forward to the "wonderful, amazing activities" that are planned for the participants.

Rowe admitted he was "not prepared" in 2009 for the opening ceremonies of the games. "I'd never imagined what it would be like to enter Jerusalem's Teddy Stadium where over 55,000 people were standing and cheering. It was a huge, massive, noisy crowd and I know I acted just like a deer in headlights that night."

The 2013 games are expected to draw 10,000 athletes from nearly 60 countries. Team USA is one of the largest delegations, numbering 1,200 athletes, coaches and managers like Rowe. They plan to arrive in Israel one week early to allow for time for visits to noteworthy sites such as the Dead Sea, Masada, the Western Wall and Yad Vashem.

My job is to troubleshoot issues and take care of problems that might arise,' said Rowe. "Security for the visiting athletes is a big issue, and it's important that they have someone to ensure that they are on the bus to go where they need to be, whether it's a tour, practice or competition."

The 33-year-old Rowe grew up in Louisville and attended Indiana University, where he graduated in 2005. He will receive a master's degree in Business Communication from Spalding University in May 2014.



Even Rowe at the 2012 Maccabi Games in Memphis

As a youth, Rowe was a swimmer, played basketball and ran cross-country while at Ballard High School. According to Rowe, participation in sporting events designed specifically for Jewish athletes is extremely important.

"In school I was never in an environment where I was completely surrounded by Jewish teammates," Rowe said. However, he explained, through his involvement with the volunteer organization, Maccabi USA, he began to understand how participation helped create a heightened awareness of Israel and Jewish identity among the young competitors and, in Rowe's case, their coaches.

Rowe described his experience coaching boys' basketball at last year's JCC Maccabi Games in Memphis, TN, where the Louisville team was all middleschool-aged boys. "But, because of a mixup, they had to play 'up,' competing with high school teams. They didn't win, but they performed well."

"This (coaching) is one of the ways that I'm able to contribute to the Jewish community. It's my way of giving something back," said Rowe. "And the JCC Maccabi program on the local level is how athletes learn about the Maccabiah Games on the international level,'

Because each Team USA member (athletes and non-athletes alike) has a Yachad fundraising goal, Rowe is collecting funds online at http://friendraising.towercare.com/Markslist/campaign/ display/profile.do?campaignId=12279.

"I feel very fortunate to be able to return to Israel," said Rowe. "I know that when I arrive that all of the passion, all of my emotion will come flying back. The experience of being surrounded by thousands of Jewish athletes is hard to





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AROUND TOWN

Sunday, March 24

The Jewish Community Center invites you to Coffee, Cookies and Kibbitz in the Children's Place in PJ Library on Sunday, March 24, from 10-10:45 a.m. for a pre-Passover meet and greet. Crafts, snacks and activities will be geared toward children ages four and younger and their caregivers, but all are welcome. RSVP to Jennifer Tuvlin, PJ Library Director, jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org.

Sunday, March 31

Deborah Dillon and Rabbi Robert Slosberg will 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. All participants will receive a software CD, a deluxe binder and an Emergency Notification Card to create a unique planner. The cost for the workshop and CD is \$36. If you previously purchased Living Smart software, the workshop is free.

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

Find out more about the Living Smart program at livingsmartguides.com.

Monday, April 1

Temple Shalom Adult Education invites you to a program about Leonard Bernstein's Music, presented by Ann Niren, Monday, April 1, at 7 p.m. at Temple Shalom.

Wednesday, April 3

Anshei Sfard Knit & Qvell Circle will meet on Wednesday, April 3, at 1 p.m. in the shul library. All levels of knitters and crocheters are welcome. All items will be donated to the Jefferson County Public Schools Clothes Closet. For more information, call Fran Winchell at 426-4660 or Esther Strizak at (812) 218-8952.

Wednesdays, April 3, 10, 17 and 24

Jews and Brews, a one-hour class led by Rabbi Michael Wolk, gathers at Keneseth Israel 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.

Friday, April 5

Congregation Anshei Sfard and Chabad of Kentucky invite you to a merged Friday night service and Shabbat dinner on April 5. Candle lighting is at 7 p.m. Services at 7:15 will be followed by a three-course festive Shabbat dinner. Free to the community, and childcare will be provided; reservations are required. For more information, call 451-

3122, ext. 0, or e-mail fridaynightlive@ansheisfard.com.

Fridays, April 5, 12, 19 and 26

Adath Jeshurun offers a weekly class in Talmud Study downtown. Bring a brown-bag dairy lunch and join Rabbi Robert Slosberg and Cantor David Lipp for a lively discussion. Prior knowledge of Jewish texts and Hebrew are not required. Classes take place in Steve Berger's office, 500 W. Jefferson St., on Fridays at 12:15 p.m.

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

Saturday, April 6

Adath Jeshurun invites you to join them for Shabbat Scholars, a discussion group that meets monthly after kiddush lunch. The speaker for April 6 is Dr. Walter Olson, who specializes in neurology. Dr. Olson will speak on "Questions and answers about three common neurologic problems: Stroke, Dementia and Parkinsonism."

Sundays, April 7, 14, 21 and 28

The KI Chai Institute of Learning presents "Synagogue Sounds," a four-week course that delves into the music central to synagogue life. Cantor Sharon Hordes will lead the group in exploring various Shabbat melodies, their composers and the contexts in which the tunes were written. The classes will take place after 8:30 a.m. Minyan each Sunday in April at Keneseth Israel. The community is invited.

Sunday, April 7

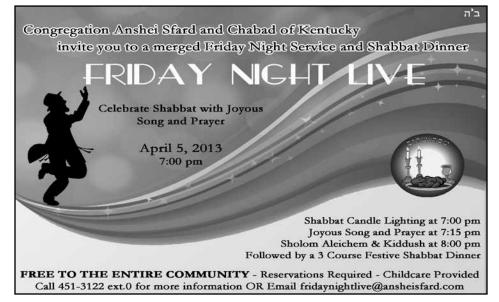
Congregation Anshei Sfard Book Club will meet on Sunday, April 7, at 11 a.m. in the shul library. Discussion of *The Mossad* by Michael Bar-Zohar will be moderated by Goldie Litvin.

Upcoming: Sunday, May 19 – *The Outside World* by Tova Mirvis, moderator Barbara Stein; Sunday, June 23 – *Jacob's Folly* by Rebecca Miller, moderator Aya Golding.

The community is invited. For more information, call Fran Winchell at 426-4660 or Adele Pearlman at 458-9110.

Sunday, April 7

The KI Chai Institute's People of the Book ... Club will meet on April 7, at 3 p.m. at KI to discuss *The Last Ember* by Daniel Levin. The book is a thriller about archaeology and a plot to eliminate evidence of Judaism and Christianity from Jerusalem's Temple Mount. *Publishers Weekly* and the *Los Angeles Times* compare it to *The Da Vinci Code*. For more information, call 459-2780 or e-mail kicongregation@kenesethisrael.com.



Mondays, April 8, 15, 22 and 29

The KI Chai Institute class on "Kosher Living," taught by Rabbi Wolk, goes beyond traditional dietary laws to discuss whether things besides food can be Kosher, keeping Kosher in a non-Kosher world, and the exciting new field of ethical Kashrut. Kosher Living takes place on Mondays in April after the 5:45 p.m. Minyan at KI. We welcome the community to join in this and all KI Chai Institute classes.

Monday, April 8

The next Hadassah On the Same Page book club meets at Panera on Dutchman's Lane, April 8 at 7 p.m. The group is reading *The Lawgiver: A Novel* by Herman Wouk. RSVP or questions to Michelle Elisburg, meehadassah@gmail. com or 645-4739. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend.

Tuesdays, April 9, 16, 23 and 30

Congregation Adath Jeshurun offers a free "Introduction to Judaism/Conversion" course. The group currently has more than 20 active participants, and new students are welcome to join at any time. This is for anyone interested in exploring Judaism – Interfaith couples, Jews looking for adult-level basics, and people considering conversion.

The class is taught by Rabbi Robert Slosberg and meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Adath Jeshurun. For more information, contact Adult Education Coordinator Deborah Slosberg at 458-5359 or dslosberg@adathjeshurun.com.

Wednesdays, April 10 and 24

Rabbi Avrohom Litvin will lead a Coffee & Kabbalah Meditation Class at the Jewish Community Center on Wednesday mornings, April 10 and April 24, 8:15-9 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Thursday, April 11

Jewish Family & Career Services presents a free one-day Caregiver Survival training session on Thursday, April 11, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the University of Louisville Shelby Campus in the Founders Union Ballroom. The featured speaker is Elaine Sanchez, a nationally known 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 may be available. For more information, e-mail Mauri Malka, director of the JFCS Klein Older Adult Services, at mmalka@jfcslouisville.org. Funding for Caregiver Survival is provided by the Jewish Heritage Mitzvah Fund.

Friday, April 12

You're invited to usher in Shabbat with "Shabbat Shalom Hey!" at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, April 12. The evening starts with an abbreviated musical Kabbalat Shabbat service, with KIP kids showcasing the Shabbat songs they learn each week. A light, kid-friendly dinner will be served at 5:45 p.m. The full traditional Kabbalat Shabbat service will begin around 6:10 p.m. Attend all three segments or just the ones you choose. RSVP by April 11 to programs@kenesethisrael. com or 459-2780.

Sunday, April 14

"Live from New York's 92nd Street Y" will be shown on Sunday, April 14, at Adath Jeshurun. This month's topic is *The Future of God: The Merging of Science and Religion*, with Andrew Zolli, David Eagleman and Reza Aslan. Reception is at 7:45 p.m.; broadcast begins at 8:15 p.m. For more details, contact Adult Education Coordinator Deborah Slosberg at 458-5359 or dslosberg@adathieshurun.com.

Thanks to a generous grant provided by the Louisville Jewish Heritage Fund

for Grants and from the Charles & Jean K. Erskine Speaker's Fund, all broadcasts this season are free of charge and open to the community.

Thursday, April 18

Celebrate Israeli Independence Day with Hadassah. Come decorate cupcakes for a Yom Ha'atzmut party from 7-9 p.m. Contact Michelle Elisburg, meehadassah@gmail.com or 645-4739 for more details or to RSVP.

Sunday, April 28

Just in time for Derby, Adath Jeshurun is hosting a fun-filled afternoon at Uptown Art Uncorked on Sunday, April 28, from 1-4 p.m. Enjoy a cool brew or a glass of wine while you create a beautiful Derby-themed painting. The cost, \$39 per person, includes canvas, art supplies, instruction and snacks (wine and beer available for purchase). Meet at Uptown Art Uncorked, 2458 Bardstown Rd.

Seating is limited; reservation deadline is Monday, April 15. Register online at www.adathjeshurun.com/event_registration, or send a check for \$39 to AJ, attention Lizzie Tasch. For more information, contact Lizzie Tasch at 458-5359 or etasch@adathjeshurun.com.

Thursday, May 2

Have Derby Week lunch with Hadassah and Barbara Goldstein, the Deputy Executive Director of Hadassah Israel, Thursday, May 2, at 11:30 a.m. The group will join Hadassah members from Lexington at Mitchell's Fish Market in the Summit. Contact Michelle Elisburg, meehadassah@gmail.com or 645-4739, for more details or to RSVP.

Friday, May 17

Hold the date for this year's Martin & Ginger Lewis Lecture Series at The Temple. Rabbi Arthur Green, widely regarded as the spiritual voice of Judaism in the 21st Century, will be the guest lecturer on May 17, 7 p.m., at Shabbat services. Rabbi Green will also lead The Temple's Saturday morning Torah study session on May 18 at 9 a.m.

March 1 - April 30

The National Council of Jewish Women Student Loan Fund has helped many students who, without financial aid, would be unable to finish their education. Interest-free loans are made to qualified persons. In addition to NCJW's support, the fund is kept active by repayments from previous loan recipients.

Loans are available to any student of Jewish faith who is a Kentucky resident or resides in the metropolitan area of Louisville and Southern Indiana. Recipients must have completed high school and be in need of funds to complete college, graduate, or technical school, and must maintain satisfactory scholastic ratings. Call the NCJW office at 458-5566 for an application.

March 1 - April 30

In 2013, for the sixteenth consecutive year, Alan Shawn Feinstein will divide \$1 million among hunger-fighting agencies nationwide, through the Feinstein Foundation of Cranston, RI. Jewish Family & Career Services is one of the participating agencies in the event. During March and April, all donations to the JFCS Food Pantry of food, canned goods and grocery gift cards will be matched as part of the Feinstein Challenge to Fight Hunger. Monetary donations to the Sonny & Janet Meyer Family Food Pantry Fund also will be included.

Food donations can be delivered to JFCS Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monetary and credit card donations are also accepted by mail or at www. jfcslouisville.org. Be sure to designate to the Food Pantry. Call 452-6341 for more information.

Lifecycle announcements that contain only basic information – name, date, time and place – without elaboration will be printed free of charge.

For Lifecycle announcements of up to 250 words and a photo, there will be an \$18 fee. An additional \$18 fee will be charged for each additional 250 words. No Lifecycle announcements will be published without prepayment of this fee.

All Lifecycle announcements must be submitted in writing to *Community*, 3600 Dutchmans Ln., Louisville, KY 40205. Items may also be faxed to (502) 238-2724, or e-mailed to newspapercolumns@jewishlouisville.org. Deadlines for the next two papers are printed on page 2. No Lifecycle announcements are accepted over the telephone.

BIRTHS

Ryan Sidney and Jack Eli Rosengarten

Alexis and Andrew Rosengarten are thrilled to announce the birth of Ryan Sidney and Jack Eli. The "Rosengartwins" are the grandsons of Marcy and Elliott Rosengarten and Lynn and Owen Blank. They are the great-grandsons of Helen and Lou Rosengarten and the late Phyllis and Metz Soodik, Fay and Phil Blank, and Alyne and Sidney Schlesinger.

B'NAI MITZVAH

Zachary Henry Ellis

Zachary Henry Ellis, son of Julie and Les Ellis and brother of Joshua, will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on Saturday, March 23, at 10:30 a.m. at The Temple. Zach is the grandson of Maura

and Gerald Temes and Les Ellis and the late Jean Ellis.



his summers at B'nai B'rith Beber Camp. He enjoys spending time with friends, listening to music and participating in and watching sports.

Zach is participating in the JFCS Pledge 13 program and has chosen to collect and distribute sports equipment for under-served schools and community centers for his Mitzvah project. Zach and his family invite the Temple community to help celebrate his bar mitzvah and enjoy the Kiddush luncheon to follow.

Saralee Bell Kornstein Renick

Saralee Bell Kornstein Renick will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on April 6, at 10:30 a.m. at Temple Shalom. Saralee is the daughter of Barry Korn-

stein and Nancy Renick and sister to Willa Kornstein. She is the granddaughter of the late Phil and Saralee Kornstein and Lynda Renick and Pete and Karen Renick.



At Noe Middle School, Saralee

plays soccer and field hockey and runs track; she is a member of Beta Club.

Saralee is collecting new adult socks for homeless veterans in our community, in conjunction with the Joy of Sox foundation. She has earned Pledge 13 hours volunteering for her congregation and her neighborhood associations.

Saralee and her family invite the community to celebrate with her at a kiddush luncheon following the service.

Maiya Emily Gaston

Maiya Emily Gaston, daughter of Nicole and Christopher Gaston and sister

of Zachary, will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Saturday, April 13, at 6:30 p.m. at The Temple. Maiya is the granddaughter of Arlene and Bernard Lipschutz and Nance Gaston.



Maiya is in the seventh grade at Barret Traditional Middle School, where she is a member of the Beta Club, orchestra and swim team. Maiya has been a member of Cardinal Aquatics swim team for six years. Maiya loves spending time with her friends, listening to music, shopping, and taking her dog Bentley to the dog park.

Julia Bessen

Julia Bessen will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Saturday, April 13, at Congregation Adath Jeshurun.

She is the daughter of Ellana and Matthew Bessen and the sister of Charles and Lilly. She is grand-daughter of Rita Bessen of Atlanta, GA and Barbara and Martin Weinberg of Bloomington, IN.



Julia attends the Louisville Collegiate School, where her interests have included theater performance and the field hockey team. She participated in the Pledge 13 program. She enjoys skiing, lacrosse and looking after Oliver, her poodle. Her greatest delight is the four weeks she spends at Beber Camp in Wisconsin.

Julia and her family invite the community to join them for this joyful celebration.

Lilly Bessen

Lilly Bessen will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Saturday, April

13, at Congregation Adath Jeshurun. She is the daughter of Ellana and Matthew Bessen and the sister of Charles and Julia. She is the granddaughter of Barbara and Martin Weinberg of Bloomington, IN and Rita Bessen of Atlanta, GA.



Lilly is a seventh-grade student at Louisville Collegiate School, where she competes on the golf team. She has been a participant in Pledge 13 and enjoys riding horses and skiing.

Lilly and her family invite the community to join them at this special celebration.

Ethan Alexander Grossman

Ethan Alexander Grossman, son of Kenneth and Marcy Grossman and brother of Jack, will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on Saturday, April

27, at 10:30 a.m. at the Temple. Ethan is the grandson of Ivan and Renee Greenspan and Lee and Carolyn Grossman.

Ethan is in the seventh grade at Barret Traditional Middle School, where he is a mem-



For his mitzvah project, Ethan will be collecting coats for the needy. Please bring winter coat(s) you no longer wear to The Temple to deposit in Ethan's drop box or bring them to The Temple the day of his bar mitzvah. Ethan will help distribute the coats to anyone who needs one in the "Free Coat Exchange" on November 29, the day after Thanksgiving. Ethan is also participating in the Pledge 13 program.

Ethan and his family invite the community to celebrate his bar mitzvah and kiddush luncheon following the service.

ENGAGEMENT

Powell-Green

Meredith Green of Louisville and David Powell of St. Louis have announced

their engagement. Meredith is the daughter of Stephen and Helaine Green of San Jose, CA, and the grand-daughter of Dorothy and the late Harold Green and the late Daniel and Gloria Mueller of Louisville.



Meredith is currently attending the University of Louisville Medical School and expects to earn her M.D. in 2014. David earned his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley, and is working as a mechanical engineer in Baltimore, MD.

A July 2013 wedding is planned.

OBITUARIES

Evelyn Teichman

Evelyn Teichman, 83, died Thursday, February 21, at Baptist Health Louisville. She was involved in her husband's business and was a professional antique appraiser. She was a member of Temple Shalom, National Council of Jewish Women and Women of Temple Shalom.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Milton Teichman.

She is survived by her children, Dr. Jeb Teichman (Grace), David Teichman (Lori) of Owing Mills, MD, and Sondra Teichman of Fort Lee, NJ; an adoptive son, Henry Friedman (Rennee) of Ontario, Canada; and three grandchildren, Elliot, Joshua and Brent.

The funeral was in Clifton, NJ.

Expressions of sympathy may go to Women of Temple Shalom. Herman Meyer & Son assisted with local arrangements.

Estelle Shatz Masler

Estelle Shatz Masler, 90, a loving wife and mother, died Sunday, March 3. Born August 13, 1922, she was a native of Louisville, a graduate of University of

Louisville, and a former substitute teacher for JCPS. She was a member of Congregation Adath Jeshurun, where she was a Sunday school teacher for 40 years; Hadassah; a former member of JCC; and a do-



cent at The Speed Museum for 30 years. She will be remembered for her art work with water colors, and she will always be considered a "life-long learner."

She is preceded in death by her parents, Louis and Sadie Shatz; and her sisters, Helenruth Levy and Marjorie Freund

She is survived by her husband, Arty Masler; her two daughters, Helen Masler Winokur of Madison, CT and Anne Masler Resnick (Robert) of Fountain Valley, CA; and five grandchildren, Marcy, Sandra, Lizabeth, Daniel and Andrea.

Burial was in Adath Jeshurun Cemetery. Herman Meyer & Son handled the arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may go to donor's favorite charity.

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LIFECYCLE

Richard L. Kreitman

Richard L. Kreitman, 51, died Friday, March 8, at Hosparus Inpatient Care Center.

He is preceded in death by his father, Emanuel Kreitman.

He is survived by his wife, Susan Frankel Kreitman; his mother, Thelma Kreitman; his daughter, Cristie Corum (James); his brothers, Irving Kreitman and Alvin Kreitman (Jayme) of Charlotte, NC; a very caring loved one, Rebecca Frankel; several aunts, uncles and cousins; and his niece, Cailey, and nephew, Erin.

Herman Meyer & Son took care of the arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may go to Hosparus of Louisville or J. Graham Brown Cancer Center.

Doris D. Fisher

Doris D. Fisher, 78, died Saturday, March 9, at Norton Hospital. She was a native of Louisville and a former accountant with the City of St. Matthews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Jacob & Pearl Gordon; and her husband, Melvin Fisher.

She is survived by her children, Perry D. Fisher (Nancy), Milton J. Fisher (Judy) of Miami, FL, Laura Thompson (William) and Jacquelyn Wengersky (Elliot) of Brooklyn, NY; and seven grandchildren.

Burial was in Anshei Sfard Cemetery. Herman Meyer & Son handled the arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may go to American Heart Association.

Dorothy C. "Dot" Joseph

Dorothy (Dot) Joseph was born December 8, 1916 in Little Rock, AR, and died March 11 at her home. She was the

daughter of Alvin Cone and Pearl Jacobus Cone. Her family moved from Little Rock to Atlanta, to Dallas, to Miami. She was living in Miami when she met her husband, Louisville architect Alfred S. Joseph, Jr., who was there working on a construction job. Although she had close friends and many fond attachments to Miami, the two moved to Louisville after their marriage in 1940.

Dot is predeceased by her husband of 48 years, Alfred S. Joseph, Jr., and an infant son. She is survived by two children, Fred Joseph (Anne) and Susan Joseph (Gayle Lloyd); two grandchildren, Alix Joseph (Tim Bell) and Amy Landon (Matt); and two great-grandchildren, Zach Bell and Darren Bell.

For many years, Dot showed her commitment to her community, working with many great organizations, especially those dealing with mental health. During World War II, she volunteered as a Red Cross Gray Lady at Nichols General Hospital in the neuropsychiatry ward. After the war, she continued her work in the field of mental health at Louisville General Hospital, Our Lady of Peace, and the V.A. Hospital. In 1946, she received a citation for Meritorious Service from War Fund of Louisville and Jefferson County.

In the early 1950's, she was chair of a mental health committee of the Louisville Section of the National Council of Jewish Women, and was instrumental in the founding of Bridgehaven, one of the first community-based halfway houses for the mentally ill in the country. She served as the second chair of the Bridgehaven advisory board.

Her devotion to mental health work led her to the position of administrative director to the Commissioner of Mental Health for the State of KY. In 1962, she

became interim director of the Forensic Unit at Central State Hospital, where she was responsible to both the Department of Mental Health and the Crime Commission. She subsequently became Administrative Assistant to the Kentucky Commissioner of Mental Health, where she was instrumental in shaping the state regulations for mental health and alcohol and substance abuse.

Additionally, she served as Secretary of the Kentucky Association for Mental Health, chairman of the Louisville General Hospital Auxiliary, a member of the Board of Visitors to Central State Hospital, and a board member of the Louisville Mental Health Center at Norton Infirmary. She also served as a board member of the Community Chest of Louisville and was a member of the Community Chest Health and Welfare Council.

Her dedication was often recognized through awards, such as the Community Service Award from the Kentucky Association for Mental Health, citing service as chairman of the mental health committee of the Louisville Section of the National Council of Jewish Women, on April 20, 1954.

She served many years as a volunteer for the American Red Cross, working as a first aid instructor and then in a variety of capacities at the Louisville blood bank, which she loved and to which she was deeply committed.

The Louisville Free Public Library long provided Dot with one of her greatest forms of enjoyment and relaxation: reading. Her dedication to the enhancement of these services remained paramount to her throughout her life.

Traveling was one of her greatest joys, and she relished pursuing every means of transportation to do so. Her one travel regret was that the cruise line canceled her trip to Antarctica, so she was not able to visit every continent. After her husband's death, she frequently traveled on cargo ships, but found her greatest joy in taking her granddaughters on cruise ships. The importance of the special relationships they established while

traveling together was immeasurable. Her interest in improving her computer skills was driven by her desire to maintain communication with her daughter, granddaughters and great-grandsons. Visiting with her great-grandsons via Skype was one of her greatest joys.

Although Dot was deeply committed to serving Louisville in many capacities, her primary interest was her family. She was a wonderful role model and her presence will be greatly missed.

The family wishes to thank Stephanie Ferguson, Rhonda Elliott, Toya Ferguson, Katherine Williams, Sharon Raines, and LeKeycha Pope for their friendship and care for Dot.

A memorial service was held at The Temple on March 17.

The family requests that donations be made in her honor to The Louisville Free Public Library Foundation.

Shirley J. Brill

Shirley June Brill, 85, died Monday, March 18, at Baptist Health. She was a native of Boston, MA, born March 24,

1927, to the late Samuel and Hilda Beyer. She was a member of The Temple, National Council of Jewish Women – Louisville Section and Hadassah.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Milton Brill;

and her daughter, Wendy Brill.

She is survived by her sons, David A. Brill (Patricia Brill) and Sanford C. Brill (Terry Carley); her grandchildren, Jacque Brill, Michael Brill, Arielle Brill and Robin Brill; and two great-grandchildren.

Burial was at The Temple Cemetery. Herman Meyer & Son handled the arrangements.

The family requests that expressions of sympathy be made to donor's favorite charity

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members of both chapters.

On March 17, the AZA boys met at the JCC to have an AIT meeting. The eighth graders learned about BBYO and AZA, the founding of both and more on what makes the Drew Corson chapter great. After work was some play. AZA met up with the BBG girls at Gattiland for Selection Sunday. Everyone enjoyed pizza and games while waiting for the NCAA tournament brackets.

JCC of Louisville receives Grant from the Jewish Teen Funders Network

JCC of Louisville Camp Tikkun Olam was selected as one of 38 North American summer camps to participate in the 2013 Camp Philanthropy Program of the Jewish Teen Funders Network (JTFN), a youth philanthropy project of the Jewish Funders Network. Through the JTFN Camp Philanthropy Program, Camp Tikkun Olam will create a Jewish

teen foundation, in which campers will work together as a "foundation board," giving away real money to non-profit organizations of their choosing.

Recognizing the potential of Jewish youth philanthropy programs to empower and educate teens about effective philanthropy and Jewish values, JTFN awarded 38 grants to Jewish summer camps committed to creating high quality Jewish teen philanthropy programs. In addition to a grant of \$1,000, JTFN will work closely with grantees on program development and staff training.

Through the grant-making process, campers will review grant proposals from non-profit organizations, visit potential grantees and determine which organizations to support; the philanthropists-in-training will examine Jewish texts, traditions and values related to giving. The program encourages campers to "learn by giving" and will generate at least \$38,000 in grants nationwide, with each teen foundation awarding a minimum of \$1,000. The program is

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D'VAR TORAH

by Rabbi Stanley Miles

Earlier this month I shared at Temple Shalom the story of my worst Passover experience.

I want to share it

with you because it is a tale worth retell-

ing. It was 51 years ago, 5722, 1962. My

parents and I were at



Seder at my cousin's home. I was sitting next to my cousin Marty, who is two years younger than me. When we came **Rabbi Stanley Miles** to *Echad Mi Yodeah?*

(Who Knows One?) we went around the table trying to say our assigned part in one breath.

When Marty's turn arrived, I placed my finger under his nostrils to make sure no breath escaped. At that point, Marty's grandmother, a tiny yet imposing woman glared at me, pointing her finger. "You," she chastised, "leave this table now!'

Leave I did and walked home. No one said a word, not my cousins or my parents. Of course, as a 14 year old, I was shattered, mortified! Years later I learned that after the Seder, my cousin took his mother aside and told her that what she did to me was so very wrong.

In retrospect, I am sad because the grandmother never got it. To her, the Seder was a formal meal; Emily Post and all. This is not what Seder should be. In

fact, the most important people at table are our children. They must be engaged. They must naturally ask questions. They must have fun! Why? If they are not engaged where will Passover and, indeed, Judaism be in the future?

As Jews we also must remember that Passover is more than the festival. We prepare by changing our homes. The foods we do not eat during Passover, leavened products and their derivatives (chometz) we remove. There are corollary mitzvot we must perform. Those items unopened we can donate to the Jewish Family & Career Services Food Pantry. When we shop for Passover food we should also purchase an extra item or two, also for the Food Pantry so that all in Louisville may observe Passover.

Finally we must realize that Passover is not just Passover but also Chag HaMatzot (the festival of matzah) lasting a week or eight days depending on one's stream of Judaism.

Above all, Enjoy a zissen Pesach (a sweet and raucous Passover)!

Candles should be lit for Shabbat on Friday, March 22, at 7:38 p.m.; for Passover on Monday, March 25, at 7:40 p.m. and Tuesday, March 26, 2013 after: 8:39 p.m.; for Shabbat on Friday, March 29, at 7:44 p.m.; for Passover on Sunday, March 31, at 7:46 p.m. and Monday, April 1, at 8:45 p.m.; and for Shabbat on Fridays, April 5, at 7:51 p.m.; April 12 at 7:57 p.m.; April 19 at 8:04 p.m.; and April 26, at 8:10 p.m.

Editor's note: Rabbi Stanley R. Miles, the rabbi of Temple Shalom (Reform), has volunteered to provide Torah commentaries for Community.

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supported by the Maimonides Fund.

For more about Camp Tikkun Olam, taking place from July 22-26 for campers in 6th-8th grades, contact Rachel Lipkin, assistant camp director, at rlipkin@ jewishlouisville.org or 238-2701.

Teen Connection by Rachel Lipkin

As the new middle school director, assistant camp director and Jewish programmer, I am really excited about getting started with some amazing Teen Connection programs.

On March 11, Teen Connection had an ice cream party where teens enjoyed some delicious ice cream and played Apples to Apples together.

Upcoming events:

The Teen Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 20, at 6:30 p.m. in Game Central.

On Sunday, March 24, Teen Connection will play broomball. Come to Iceland Sports complex to play this amazing hockey-type game with brooms. Cost is \$20; please register by March 18.

On Thursday, April 4, during Spring Break, we will go to Rocksport. Cost for JCC members with transportation from the JCC is \$25 and non-members is \$35; or meet us at Rocksport, and the cost for members is \$15 and for non-members is \$25. Please RSVP to me ASAP!

I am looking forward to meeting everyone over the next few weeks. If you have any comments or concerns, please feel free to email me at rlipkin@jewishlouisville.org or call me at 238-2701.



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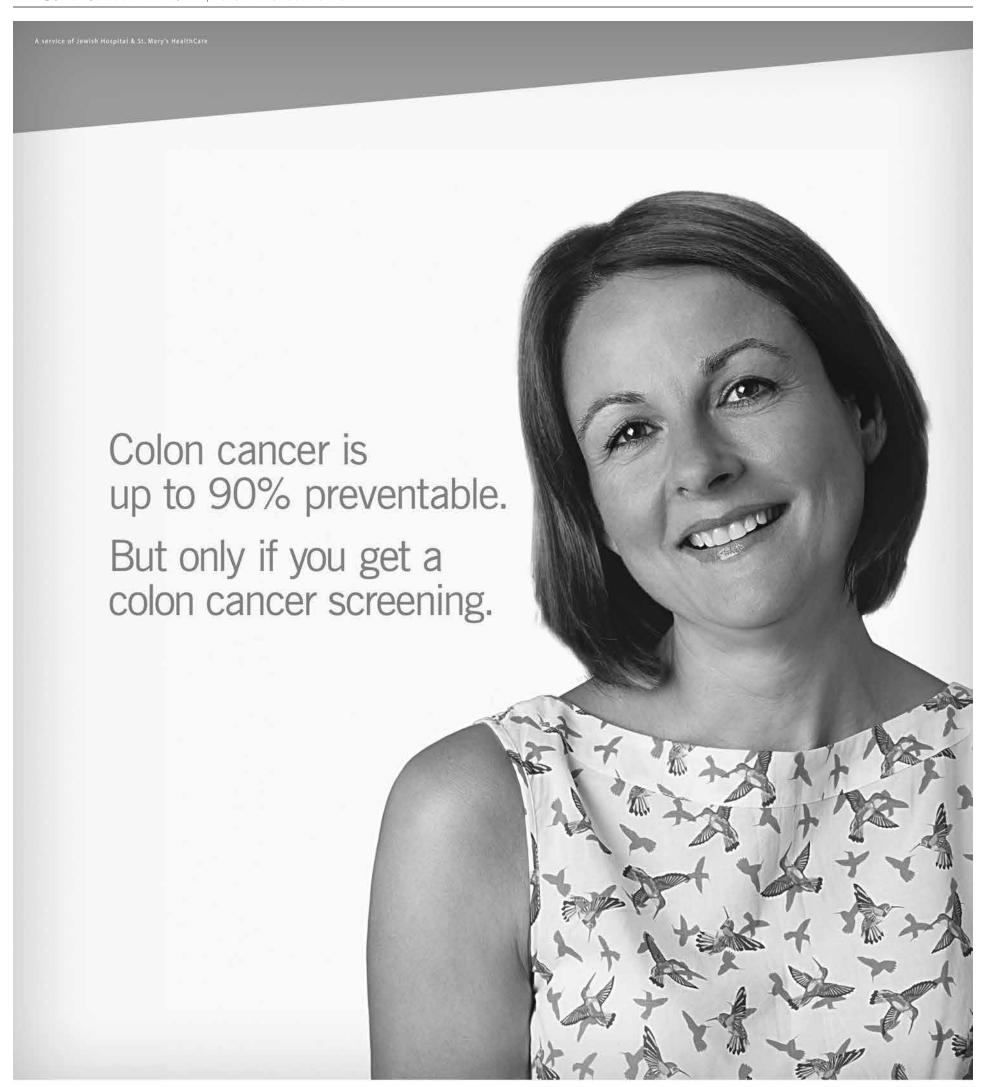
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