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EBRATING **EL@65**

On April 13, more than 300 people gathered at the JCC to celebrate Israel@65. The event started with a special Yom Hazikaron commemoration from the Louisville Beit Sefer Yachad. Then the fun of Yom Ha'atzmaut began. Mayor Greg Fisher headed up a Community Walk with Israel, part of a national walk.

After the walk, a shuk opened in the Family Park of the JCC selling Israeli memorabilia and Mediterranean food prepared by Shiraz. Israeli folk singers Dorit and Tzvika, a pair of folk musicians from our Partnership with Israel region, the Western Galilee, performed between two demonstrations of Krav Maga (Israeli self-defense). The Speed Art Museum led family activities and Jewish National Fund from Cincinnati participated.

Israel@65 Chairs Faina and Ariel Kronenberg were pleased with the event and grateful to all the volunteers who helped make it "a perfect day," and to all those who turned out to enjoy it.

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The future of our community is in your hands

What should a strong, vibrant Jewish community do?

- A. Provide scholarships to enable children to participate in the JCC Summer Camp or Jewish overnight camp B. Subsidize trips to Israel for Jewish teens and support
- Birthright Israel trips for young adults to help the next generation develop strong Jewish identities. C. Engage Jewish seniors in activities like a trip to Jewish
- Washington, D.C., and exercise classes at the JCC designed to keep them healthy.
- D. Ensure that affordable kosher congregate meals are available to seniors at the JCC, Meals-on-Wheels are delivered to the homebound and the JFCS Food Pantry is open to all.
- E. Supply funding to enable Jewish Family & Career Services to provide counseling and career services on a sliding scale so families and individuals in crisis can access the help they need.
- F. Foster Jewish educational opportunities.
 G. Support social services for Jews at-risk in Israel and around the world.

In Louisville, the answer is all of the above and more; and the Annual Federation Campaign is the way we make it happen.

To make our Louisville Jewish community strong and vibrant, your support and your gift to the Annual Federation Campaign are critical. For 2013, our goal is \$2,141,000. To date, we have raised \$1,620,718.

We are rapidly approaching the finish line. The new fiscal year begins July 1, and decisions regarding allocating resources to meet community needs must be made now. The 2013 Campaign is scheduled to close on April 30, but

to enable you to make your gift, we are extending the close date to May 7. Please make your donation today online at www.jewishlouisville.org/donate; or pledge or donate by calling 238-2739.

Together, we do extraordinary things.



JCC senior adults on the move

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

Today's seniors are on the move and the Jewish Community Center's Senior Adult Department is moving right along with them.

When the department's directors Slava Nelson and Diane Sadle were sharing what they learned at the Meals on Wheels conference held in Washington, D.C., last September with Theresa Barczy and Mag Davis both of whom

are active in the Senior Adult program, the seniors told them they had never been to the nation's capitol and it would be nice to go.

Barczy and Davis are natural leaders and they began talking about the idea among their friends. Before long, they recruited a group of people who expressed interest in the trip, and Nelson and Sadle said, why not. After all, the purpose of the Senior Adult program is see **JCC SENIOR ADULTS** page 23

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JCRC UPDATE

by Matt Goldberg, Director **Jewish Community Relations** Council

n the past two weeks, there have been a number of awful incidents in the world that have dominated the news cycle. I can't remember such a time when major news events were relegated to secondary status, simply due the fact that there are so many things going on.

In the last month, we have had North Korea threatening nuclear war and Congress rejecting a bill to increase background checks on the purchase of guns. Just in the last week, there was the horrible tragedy at the Boston marathon, a massive deadly explosion at a chemical plant in Texas, and a violent earthquake in China that killed over 200 people. All of these events should, in some way, concern the Jewish com-

There were also two events in the last two weeks that did not seem to make the biggest news, but they were significant nonetheless for the future of the Middle East.

First, there is the pending rapprochement between Turkey and Israel. Turkey-Israel relations were soured for three years, as a result of Israel's actions to enforce a blockade of Gaza, an action that left nine Turkish terrorists dead.

Israel has since apologized for operational errors made in the incident, and Israel and Turkey are now negotiating compensation for the families, which will lead to restoration of full diplomatic ties. Turkey and Israel are extremely important players with re-

gards to Syria and Iran, and a united front will put that much more pressure on them.

significant development Another happened just this past week, as Secretary of defense Chuck Hegel made a visit to Israel. In meetings with Israeli defense officials, The Secretary agreed to sell long-range refueling planes and advanced aircraft. Israel has never received these two items before and they could ostensibly be used for a military strike against Iran.

Furthermore, the U.S. Senate voted for a non-binding resolution to support Israel should they attack Iran. This week, Israeli defense officials have been hinting that their "red lines" regarding Iran have already been crossed. With negotiations regarding Iran's weapons program seemingly at a stalemate, and Israel now possessing more advanced weaponry to be used in a military attack, the next couple of months could prove to be a pivotal time for the region.

Mourning, Not Blaming

On CNN this past week, an interview with a representative of the Muslim community spoke about hoping that the terrorist in Boston was not Muslim. As Jews, I think we can identify with that sentiment somewhat. I also saw an interview with the Czech ambassador to the United Nations, worried that people will confuse Czech with Chechen, the ethnicity of the Boston terrorists

I think both interviews are an important reminder that we can hate this terrorist justly and eliminate all thoughts of forgiveness, but we must avoid conflating the actions of two men with the actions of an entire ethnic group. As we commemorated the Holocaust just recently, it is of vital importance that we remember this important lesson ... a lesson that we are obligated to teach over and over again.

REVIEW

Avenue Q

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by David Wallace

On the cover of the playbill for Avenue Q: The Musical, music and lyrics by Robert Lopez and Jeff Marx, is a warning in the ever present rectangular box: Rated Mature (with) explicit lyrics, adult themes, (and) puppet nudity. This is the first indication that Avenue Q is about a million miles from Sesame Street. In fact, it is Sesame Street with an attitude.

The songs are irreverent (It Sucks to Be Me); politically incorrect (Every-

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one's a Little Bit Racist); obscene (The Internet is for Porn); In-your-face (You Can Be as Loud as the Hell You Want); rueful (What Do You Do With a B.A. in English?) and poignant (There's a Fine, *Fine Line*) and all of them are riveting.

When the play began, I was torn between watching the actors or their puppets. By the end I was watching both blend together in seamless fashion to portray their skewed version of life.

In a real way Avenue Q is Sesame Street's evil twin personified (puppetfied?) by Trekkie Monster, a combination of Cookie Monster and Oscar the Grouch. All of the humans interact with their puppets in spectacular fashion and Brian (Jason Cooper), Christmas Eve (Jennifer Poliske) and Gary Coleman (Tymika Prince), all "puppetless," provide needed transitions to keep the story rolling.

This is an audacious presentation, which provides welcome relief from the Big Birds and Barneys of the world.

Avenue Q is the last offering of the season, but the next one is just around the corner and includes Legally Blonde: The Musical; A New Brain; Les Miserables; Best little Whorehouse in Texas; Wit; The Color Purple and The Sound of Music.

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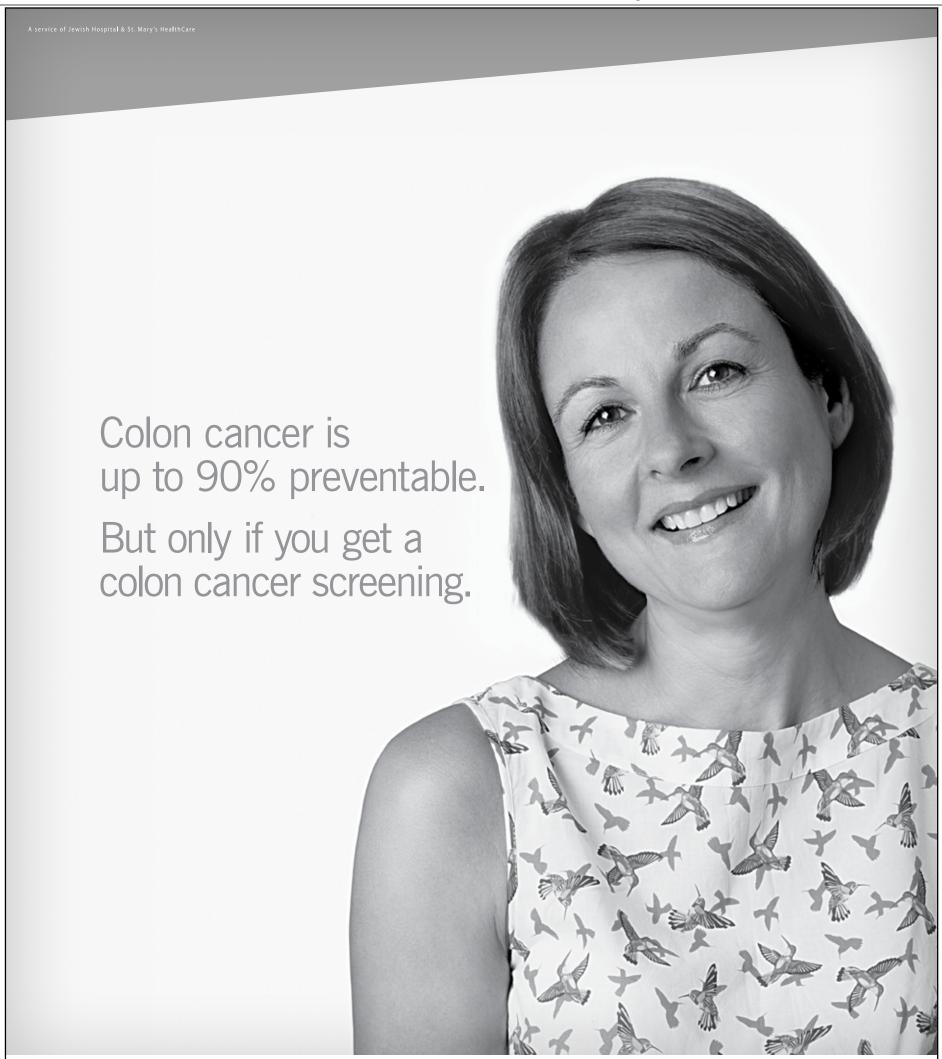
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- G. All of the above and more.

If you chose any of the answers above, **NOW IS THE TIME TO STEP UP AND BE COUNTED**. To be a strong, vibrant Jewish community, we need a strong Annual Federation Campaign. Pledge Today.



2013 Festival of Faiths will honor Dalai Lama's Visit

he Festival of Faiths will be holding a five-day festival May 14-19 to help prepare the community for what will be the historic Louisville visit of Nobel Peace Laureate His Holiness the Dalai Lama on May 19.

The Center for Interfaith Relations has said it regards this visit from the spiritual leader in Tibetan Buddhism, recognized internationally as the spokesperson for compassion, as a "profound blessing for the city and region.'

The Festival of Faiths, using the theme Sacred Silence: Pathway to Compassion, was organized at the request of Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer and will feature renowned experts on compassion from diverse faith traditions. Programs will be held at two venues, Actors Theatre of Louisville and The Galt House, and will include daily guided public meditations, keynote addresses, films and a dedication to Trappist monk and theologian Thomas Merton "in his own voice."

In fact, this year's festival derives inspiration from the 1968 meeting in India between Thomas Merton and the Dalai Lama, bringing together the leading representatives of Eastern and Western contemplative spiritualities.

Among the many rich offerings of the festival will be Rabbi Arthur Green, who will speak on "Sacred Silence from The Jewish Perspective" on Friday, May 17, from 1-2:30 p.m. at the Galt House. Rabbi Green is a scholar of Jewish mysticism and Neo-Hasidism and professor in the non-denominational rabbinical program at Hebrew College in Boston. The rabbi has long been recognized as one of the world's preeminent authorities on Jewish thought and spirituality.

A prolific author, his recent books include Radical Judaism and a revised edition of the Jewish vocabulary, These Are the Words. His interest in the mythical tradition has inspired his works entitled, Seek My Face; Speak My Name: A Contemporary Jewish Theology and EH-YEH: a Kaballah for Tomorrow. Rabbi

Green's translations and interpretations of Hasidic teachings are also reflective of his deep and abiding interest in Jewish mysticism.

Rabbi Green's lecture will focus on the "subtle interplay of language and silence in the spiritual act of prayer, where mind and mouth give word to the heart's silent outpourings." Rabbi Green believes "The Torah, too, is a verbalizing of silence, the silence of God. It is in the spoken word that our twin silences meet, rediscovering that they are One." The lecture is \$10. (See below for ticket information for this and other Festival offerings.)

Other highlights of the festival in-

- Tuesday, May 14 10-11 a.m. Opening Interfaith Prayer Service at The Cathedral of the Assumption. Free and open to all who attend.
- Wednesday, May 15 9-10 a.m. Guided Meditation with Gerardo Abboud, president of Dongyuiing Buddhist Centre in Argentina at Actors Theatre. The discussion will focus on meditations; though there are many kinds, the common thread is cultivation of mindfulness and awareness. Free, but ticket is required.
- Wednesday, May 15 7-9 p.m. "Merton in His Own Voice" features audio recordings of Thomas Merton and commentary by Merton scholars. Actors Theatre of Louisville. Free but ticket is required.
- Thursday, May 16 10 a.m.-noon Dungse Jampal Norbu, renowned Buddhist teacher, discusses the concept of "karma." Actors Theatre of Louisville. The cost is \$10.
- Friday, May 17 10 a.m.-noon "Compassion from a Buddhist's and a Neuroscientist's Perspective" will be the topic for Matthieu Ricard. molecular biologist turned Buddhist monk and James Doty, M.D., founder and director of the Center for Compassion and Altruism Research and Education. Galt House. The cost is

- Saturday, May 18 9 a.m.-3 p.m. "Sacred Silence: Pathway to Compassion" will be a panel of world-renowned experts (including the Dalai Lama Fellows) discussing contemplative practice and compassion from a variety of faith traditions. Galt House. The cost is \$25.
- Saturday, May 18 6-9 p.m. Compassionate Governing Banquet Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer will host a group of distinguished elected officials from around the country to discuss compassion in government. Galt House. The cost is \$25.
- Sunday, May 19 10-11:30 a.m. 'Growing up with Meditation - A Discussion Between Mother and Son" - Dungse Jampal Norbu grew up in a dharma family. He will join his mother, Elizabeth Mattis Namgyel, to share their unique experience of having dharma at the very core of family life. Galt House. The cost is \$25.
- Sunday, May 19 2-4 p.m. Public Talk by His Holiness the Dalai Lama. For tickets and information, log onto www/dalailamalouisville.org.

All Festival of Faiths events (free or charged) require a ticket and are available through the Actors Theatre of Louisville's box office at 584-1205 or (800) 428-5849. Ticket prices for individual programs range from \$10-\$25. Student tickets are half-price. Day passes are available for \$25, and passes for the week are available for \$100.

Please note that day passes and week passes DO NOT include tickets to the Compassionate Governing Banquet on May 18. Tickets to that event are sold separately. Also, tickets to the Dalai Lama's public talk at the KFC YUM! Center are available at www.dalailamalouisville.org.

For more information on the Festival of Faiths and a full schedule of events and speakers, log on to festivaloffaiths.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Through APRIL 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 28

Farm to Table: Louisville to Israel,

11 a.m. The Jewish Federation of Louisville invites you to a brunch at the of Market prepared by Chefs Uri Trusas (Uri Buri in Jersel) and Tyles (12 Jersel 12 Jersel Israel) and Tyler (to is (Rye in Louisville) made from the abods. Space is limited.

Cost Para person; JCC members, \$21 Cost person; JCC members, \$2 per person. Purchase tickets by calling 459-0660.

APRIL 28 J-Serve, 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Middle and high school students will participate in the international Jewish teen day of service. Volunteers will run a carnival for younger children and do other service projects. For more information or to volunteer, contact Mike Steklof, msteklof@jewish louisville.org or 238-2774, or Rachel Lipkin, rlipkin@jewishlouisville.org or 238-2701.

APRIL 28-JUNE 11 Patio Gallery Exhibit

Works by Laurie Doctor and Steven Skaggs. Opening reception April 28, 2-4 p.m.

May 7

Federation Annual Campaign Closes

The deadline for Campaign pledges has been extended one week. The total raised by May 7 will be used to determine all allocations for the 2013-14 fiscal year.

MAY 15-16 Shavuot

Holiday begins at sunset May 14. The JCC

will be closed in observance of Shavuot on May 15. The facility will be open but offices will be closed on May 16.

MAY 18 Teen Connection: Dive In Movie Overnight

Middle schoolers welcome fifth graders to Teen Connection with Havdallah, watching a movie in the pool, ice cream sundaes, snacks and brekafast at the ICC, \$15. Call 459-0660 to RSVP or contact Rachel Linkin. rlinkin@iewishlouisville.org or 238-2701 for more information.

PJ Library Tzedakah Fair

10-11:30 a.m. JCC Children's Place. Read a PJ Library book about Tzedakah and donate \$5, a canned good or toiletry item. Snacks and drinks provided. RSVP to Jennifer Tuvlin, jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org or 459-0660.

MAY 21 Uniquely Jewish Event Advocacy: The Jewish Way

7 p.m. at the Gheens Foundation Lodge, 471 W. Main St., Ste. 202. Ethan Felson, vice president of the Jewish Council for Public Affairs will present the steps necessary to be an advocate for a cause and offer suggestions for successful lobbying, political involvement and grassroots organization. Becky Ruby Swansburg, chair. See story, page 5.

MAY 25 JCC Outdoor Pools Open

10:30 a.m. Bring a picnic lunch and enjoy the day at the pool.

JUNE 10-AUGUST 9 JCC Summer Camp

Camp is filling up fast. Enroll your child now before the program you want fills up. Download the Summer Camp brochure at jcclouisvillecamp.org. See story, page 13.

JCPA VP will share insights on "Advocacy: The Jewish Way"



"Tzedek, tzedek tirdof" - "Justice, justice you shall pursue" we are commanded in Deuteronomy 16:20.

The pursuit of social justice is a crucial part of Jewish life - whether that means building coalitions with other faith groups to fight poverty, promote literacy or support civil liberties or to speak out against anti-Semitism or the delegitimization of Israel.

On Tuesday, May 21, at 7 p.m., the Jewish Federation of Louisville invites you to the second event in the Uniquely Jewish Events Series, "Advocacy: The Jewish Way," at the Gheens Foundation Lodge. Guest speaker Ethan Felson, vice president and general council of the Jewish Council for Public Affairs, will share his insights and stories about national Jewish lobbying efforts, what lies ahead and how you can be involved.

Becky Ruby Swansburg is chair of this event.

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.

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 ten years in the trenches combating anti-Israel delegitimization in American churches. 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 elsewhere. Ethan is a graduate of

Lehigh University, the Beit Midrash of Greater Hartford, and the University of Connecticut School of Law.

A light supper will be served. A Vaad-approved option is available if requested by May 13.

The Gheens Foundation Lodge is located inside the Parklands of Floyd Fork, 1310 S. Beckley Station Rd.

The cost of this event is \$18. RSVP to Mary Jean Timmel, 238-2739 or mjtimmel@jewishlouisville.org, by May 17.





Rothschilds share recollections of their ordeal during WWII

by Cynthia Canada

On March 25, 2013, the Louisville *Courier Journal* published an article by Peter Smith, telling the story of John and Renée Rothschild's escape from German-occupied France in 1942. It is a riveting adventure, a fairy-tale romance, and a deeply personal view of world history.

On a recent Sunday morning, the Rothschilds and I found a rare quiet corner at the Jewish Community Center and spent more than an hour talking about that story and the times before and since.

They met at harvest time in 1939. John and his immediate family were



Renée and John Rothschild lit one of the memorial candles during the recent Yom HaShoah commemoration program.

Swiss citizens, but his mother owned a farm, St. Radegonde, near Saumur, France, where they lived with extended family. Renée's parents had sent her to Strasbourg, France, where they hoped she would be safe from the turbulence back home in Germany. When Strasbourg was evacuated and Renée was stranded in Saumur by a train derailment, she called a friend – John's cousin – who invited her to stay the night. John's mother asked her to stay on and help with the harvest, and within three weeks, John and Renée were talking of marriage.

John's mother, sensible lady that she was, insisted that her son finish his Swiss military obligation and find a job before taking on a wife and family. Renée stayed for five months, then moved to Paris to live with family and work; John returned to Switzerland.

There was some tension when the Germans invaded France, but the military occupation proved relatively uneventful. However, with the invasion of Russia in 1941, the Gestapo moved into France, bringing grave danger. But it was not until 1942, when the Vichy government secretly agreed to let the Germans deport all foreign Jews, that the situation hit home.

John's family was arrested in July, 1942. The Gestapo confiscated their

Swiss passports and everyone there – grandparents, parents, children and friends – were sent first to a holding camp and then to Auschwitz. Renée was arrested in August. She asked one of the French police officers present to send John a telegram telling him where they were taking her; thankfully, the policeman complied.

From that point, a series of helpful gestures bolstered John's quick action to locate Renée and obtain her release. His employer advanced him a month's salary to make the trip to Rivesaltes, where Renée was being held; old acquaintances offered help in the way of favors he could call in. He was able to delay Renée's departure for Auschwitz, and ultimately to get her out of the camp - but without the proper papers to go back with him to Switzerland. After a month's delay, they finally crossed the border at a clandestine location, late at night, with the aid of guides hired by a Jewish storekeeper in a town on the French-Swiss border.

The way John tells the story, with energy and dash, I can understand the emotion behind Renée's exclamation: "When I saw he had come for me, I knew he was my knight in white armor!" But fairy tales are never exactly what they seem on the surface, and I wondered what happened after the

'happily ever after." As it turned out, what happened immediately was surprisingly down-toearth, at least to me. (Of course, I'm not Swiss – and the Swiss do have the reputation of being pragmatic to a fault.) After resting the night at a hotel, John called his office. They were delighted to hear from him, since they really hadn't expected he would make it back safely particularly with Renée. John got his old job back on the spot; he and Renée were married shortly thereafter and moved into John's apartment. Renée got a job, and they worked. They started a family, they moved to the U.S., and they decided to stay.

I wanted to know what job Renée found. "I worked for the Red Cross," she told me. "I helped people who were trying to find their relatives who had disappeared in the war."

"That must have been hard," I said, thinking of Renée's and John's families and imagining the anguish of knowing what might have happened – what probably had happened, based on what Renée was finding out about other people's relatives – and being able to do nothing.

Renée nodded. "Yes," she said. "It was hard." It was the only moment I saw her look sad –and it was only a moment.

"After after being in the camp, not knowing what would happen or whether you were going to be able to get out, was it difficult to feel safe again?" I couldn't imagine otherwise, but Renée surprised me.

"Oh, no," she said emphatically. "I stayed busy. I didn't sit around the camp worrying about what would happen. I took stenography, I translated for people. There were so many of them, and I knew some of their languages – there was work for me to do. I got in touch with the Red Cross and we got milk for the little children. It was an important thing, getting milk for the children – I didn't have time to be afraid."

I made up my mind to remember those words and the philosophy behind them as closely as I can for as long as I can. When it seems life could be over tomorrow, find something useful to do. If time really is that short, there's none to be wasted sitting around being afraid.

Still, I wondered, wasn't it a tough ad-

justment, going from small towns and physical labor to big cities and professional employment – from rural France to, ultimately, corporate America?

John shrugged a little and said simply, "We have each other. We have a beautiful family. We have made a good life."

Up to now, John had been telling most of the stories, with Renée interjecting occasionally. When we started talking about family, though, she got busy, opening folders and passing pictures, articles, maps – all sorts of illustrations for story after family story. And when it came to the pictures, she told many of the stories.



Renée's parents

There were several pictures in the folder of Renée's family – her parents, her younger sister Martl, and a cousin, Margot (who now lives in New York). Her father, Heinrich, was injured in World War I while carrying wounded soldiers from the front lines to receive medical care. The pictures of Heinrich Bodenheimer show a mischievous looking man with a moustache and a cane; I looked at him smiling out of the pictures, and I had to smile back. Her mother, Elsa, looks grounded, sensible, more reserved.

The daughters, Renée and Martl, are sweet children, dressed in costumes – Renée in a tall hat and dress with pompoms, like a clown suit I used to have, and her little sister with flowers in her hair. Martl, in particular, has a toddler's impish gleam. As teenagers, they look much like their mother.



In 1941, John sought out Renée's family. Her mother and sister had been deported from Kehl, and her father, who had been in Switzerland at the time, had been detained when he went to find them. Renée had to stay in the free zone; it was too dangerous for her, as a foreign Jew, to travel south into German-occupied territory. John, as a Swiss citizen, had protection at that time, so he went alone.

He found the Bodenheimers in a holding camp at Gurs, near the Spanish border. They visited, and he told them his intention to marry their daughter. Heinrich – "This is the kind of man he was!" John exclaimed – found paper and pen, and in his beautiful handwriting, wrote a document officially granting permission for the marriage. He and Elsa signed it, they had it witnessed, and then, "He found a bottle of wine so we could celebrate."

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Community honors Righteous Among the Nations

by Phyllis Shaikun

his year's very moving community Yom HaShoah commemoration took place on Thursday, April 11, at Bellarmine University. The theme, *Righteous Among the Nations*, honored those who were not Jewish, but courageously stepped forward to help their Jewish brethren during the Holocaust. People of all ages took part in the program, which included the traditional candle lighting ceremony in which Holocaust survivors, their family members, teachers and students from St. Francis of Assisi School played the dominant role.

Rabbi Ďavid Ariel-Joel offered an opening blessing that set the tone for this year's program, which began: Source of peace, ruler of peace, bring an end to hatred and jealously - bring only shalom between us and others – give us

Mayor Greg Fischer interjected an optimistic viewpoint gained from watching good people rally around to help others in trying times. "Times like this," he said, "make us ask why bad things happen and what we can do to help make things better. In Connecticut and other places and in the darkness and despair of the Holocaust, we said such tragedy was bigger than we are and we banded together to do good." He considered the large interfaith audience one of "many religions with one heart.'

Fred Whittaker, a Holocaust educator at St. Francis of Assisi and chair of the 2013 Holocaust Commemoration Committee, expressed gratitude to all who came to "transform, recollect and memorialize the past in an alchemy of love. We came here to recollect insights from six million lost lives and hope our actions will help to defy the erosion of

memory from the past."

He noted that Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust memorial, has recognized more than 24,811 non-Jews whose efforts saved many Jewish lives during the Shoah. He also lamented the hundreds of millions in Europe who stood by and did nothing. "It remains on us," he concluded, "to listen and to be able to tell these stories to our children and their children."

Dr. James Holladay honored the memory of Father Stanley Schmidt, whom he considered "a pioneer in recognizing conciliation and justice. When Pope John the XXIII opened the church to multiple religions, Dr. Schmidt began the Office of Humanism. He had a greater vision of a dialog between all sects and felt Jews should also be included in working toward justice and peace on important matters in our community. "He felt the best way to understand was not with words,

but with doing things," said Holladay. "Through his works, we are a better community.

Cantor Sharon Hordes strummed the guitar as she sang a plaintive song in German, *A Jewish Child*, about a mother warning her child to hide his faith lest he be found to be a Jew.

Holocaust survivor Fred Gross of-fered A Reflection on the Righteous among the Nations, "those who rose to save the Jews among them and risked their lives to save others. They were the rescuers," he said. "Let us be grateful to the few who refused to stand by and do nothing."

Guest speaker David Lee Preston, assistant city editor of the Philadelphia Daily News, provided the incredible real-life story about his mother, Halina Wind, who survived the Holocaust by literally going underground into the sewer systems during the time the Germans liquidated the Jewish community of Lvov, Ukraine. For 14 months, she and 20 others endured horrific conditions; 10 survived thanks to the help of three sympathetic Christian sewer workers who risked their lives and their families' lives to shelter and feed her group. She was distressed that such sources of support were far too few.

As a way to honor these brave and selfless heroes, Halina Wind Preston helped to erect the country's first garden dedicated to righteous gentiles in Wilmington, DE, in 1981, a year before her death. More than 300 people showed up for the ceremony. "I owe my very existence," said Preston, "to these courageous people who helped my mother to live." Her story was told in an Academy Award nominated film, In

Darkness. "We still haven't learned the lessons of the Shoah since genocide is still going on in the world," Preston continued.

He figures there were a total of 25,000 rescuers from some 45 countries. Trees in a garden in Evanston, IL, honor 38 of those who set examples that encourage others to live righteous lives. He asked those interested in honoring those heroes (there are perhaps 400 still living) to make a donation to the Jewish Foundation for the Righ-

The program ended with Cantor David Lipp's chanting of El Malei Racha-

In addition to Whittaker, Holocaust Commemoration Committee members included Cantor Lipp, Rabbi Stanley Miles, Cindy Schwartz, Dan Streit, Fred Gross, Jeff Slyn, Linda Kanter, Helene Banks, Lisa Goldberg and Dan Penner. The Yom HaShoah coordinator was Matt Goldberg, director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of the Jewish Community of Louisville.



Yom HaShoah Commemoration Chair Fred Whittaker



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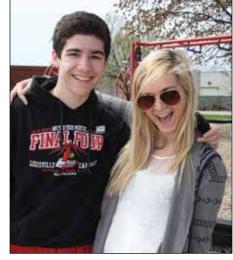






















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AJ group goes to Cuba Learns about Jewish life, lends a hand

by Marsha Roth

wenty-six American Jews get on a Chinese-manufactured bus driven by a Spanish-speaking Cuban with a Moscow-educated guide.... No, this isn't the beginning of an ethnic joke, but instead the start of a great adventure for Adath Jeshurun's medical mission to Cuba led by Rabbi Robert and Deborah Slos-

"I put the trip together to educate us about Jewish life in Cuba and to give us the opportunity of doing the mitzvah of helping our fellow Jews," explained Rabbi Slosberg. With much planning and the help of Cuba Travel Services, Inc., the tour came together.

The five-day trip began in Miami, FL, on March 10 as the group readied for our chartered flight on Sky King Airlines (a bit unnerving for those of us who remember Penny and the Songbird). While we were bringing medicines in our luggage, we noted that many travelers were hauling large screen television sets for their Cuban relatives. It's a quick one hour flight to Havana's Marti Airport and after a couple of hours of immigration and finding luggage, we boarded the bus to the Hotel Santa Isabel, which is located in the old city on the picturesque Plaza de Armes.

We were really able to experience the feel of Old Havana since we were staying at its center. As we walked through the area we could see that this city, founded in the 16th century, has a rich history and its buildings are a step into a glorious past. Unfortunately, many of these structures are now simply facades that are slowly crumbling away.

The effects of sea air, age and neglect have caused the city to resemble an old movie set that hasn't been used in decades.

The once vibrant Jewish population of Cuba is now down to 1,500 members. Eighty-five percent of the population lives in Havana and we were told that 99 percent of all young couples are intermarried, with 93 conversions to Judaism performed last year.

The greatest majority of the Jewish population are senior citizens who are served by three separate organizations. Adat Israel Orthodox Synagogue, whose leader is the kosher butcher in town, is located in Old Havana and serves a small community. Transportation to the center and daily meals, as well as medications, are offered to their members.

The economic conditions of Cuba make obtaining certain medications, including vitamins and nonprescription remedies, too expensive for the average retired citizen. Our contributions were greatly appreciated. We had a tour of the sanctuary that was completed just before the Castro takeover and is a beautiful example of midcentury modern architecture.

We next visited the Patronato Cuban Jewish Community Center, which serves the Conservative community in Cuba. With the help of a visiting rabbi from Chile, 12 educated women lead services and teach religious school classes to approximately 100 children

The leader of the center is a dynamic woman by the name of Adela Dworin. She has mobilized her community to educate and encourage the youth to see **CUBA** page 11



The group saw a lot of vandalism in Havana's main Jewish cemetery. Some of the marble had even been stolen. PHOTOS BY STUART GOLDBERG - MORE PHOTOS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.JEWISHLOUISVILLE.ORG

by Michael Steklof

n Sunday, March 17, 17 high school students from 10 area high schools went on a trip to the United States Memorial Holocaust Museum funded by the Ida and Bernhard Behr Holocaust Memorial Education Second Century Fund.

The trip was led by local Holocaust educator Fred Whittaker, who teaches Holocaust education at St. Francis of Assisi, and was chaperoned by Matt Goldenberg, director of Jewish Community Relations of the Jewish Community of Louisville, and Olga Itkin, a member of the Louisville Jewish community.

Participants attended an education session with Whittaker before the trip to prepare them for what they would see at the museum. Many participants, however, did not expect the emotional reaction they had to displays.

One participant reported that the trip was meaningful for her because it showed "how quickly

it showed "how quickly your life can be flipped upside down." She further stated, "the trip changed me for the best."

After the trip, the participants again met with Whittaker to discuss how best to share with their friends in their classes at school what they experienced, so the lessons learned on this trip will resonate beyond the 17 students selected.

The trip was funded by the Ida and Bernhard Behr Holocaust Memorial Education Second Century Fund.



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participate in religious events. The teens of her congregation are participants of Birthright Israel and the March of the Living. They are hoping to send forty-four youths to the Maccabi games in Israel this summer with financial help from an owner of the New York Giants.

Adela was busy preparing for the upcoming Passover Seders for 150 participants each night. The Kosher foods are sent in from Canada.

The pharmaceutical services of this center are a major part of the wellbeing of their community. Rosa Behar, a retired gastroenterologist, runs the pharmacy that is well stocked with donations from many generous American and Canadian communities. Rosa's daughter is currently a pharmacist in Lexington, KY, but Rosa has stayed in Havana for the opportunity to be of service to her people.

The first Sephardic synagogue was built in Havana in 1914 on Inquisition Street to serve mostly Turkish Jews who came to Cuba after WWI. The building lasted until 1995, when it was forced to close, and has reopened as the Sephardic Hebrew Center of Cuba in downtown Havana.

The original Bima was moved to its present location, which continues to operate as a Sephardic house of prayer. They hold Friday night and Saturday morning services for a small congregation of about 80 families and, like the other Jewish organizations, serve the elderly with breakfast, lunch and snacks. They hold education classes for seniors and also run an after-school tutoring program for neighborhood children. A gymnasium is rented out to produce income.

A trip to the Jewish cemetery was also part of our tour. Lillian Levy described our visit: "The Jewish Cemetery was very disturbing. The graves and headstones were in shambles. The Jewish community does not have the funds for repairs. Family members of the dead are either deceased or left the

country. Jews take care of Jews and here is a situation where it has been impossible." We were able to locate family graves of AJ member Debbie Winters and made sure that they were tended.

The countryside of Cuba is as beautiful as any Caribbean island. We visited the former home of Ernest Hemmingway and marveled at how well preserved his home and possessions are. It looked as if he had just stepped out for a walk. We also were able to spend the day at the village of Pinar Del Rio, which is an ecological preserve with restaurants and art studios.

The 26 intrepid travelers from Adath Jeshurun included Shellie Benovitz, Ann Leah Blieden, Bruce Blue, Marsha and Ed Bornstein, Jeff Glazer, Linda and Stuart Goldberg, Shelley and Marshall Kahn, Margie and Bob Kohn, Janet and Alan Levitan, Lillian Levy, Janet and Sonny Meyer, Marsha and David Roth, Deborah and Rabbi Slosberg, Elaine Stauble and Bruce Tasch, Joan Stein, Evie Topcik and Heather Yaron.

We had adventures beyond the confines of this article, and any one of us would love to share our stories with you. Visiting with these Jewish communities has made all of us grateful that our parents and grandparents took that right turn and ended up in the United States.

With a large percentage of the young adults making aliyah to Israel, the future of Cuba's Jewish community could be at jeopardy. Alan Levitan remarked, "Learning about the complications of life under such a government where the average Cuban earns only \$20 a month," was an eye opening experience. Yet there were "gorgeous flowers sprouting from crumbling ruins," according to Elaine Stauble.

Shellie Benovitz summed up our experience by saying, "It was wonderful to meet with the leaders of the Jewish communities. I really admire their tenacity in keeping their communities going. Thanks again to Rabbi for enabling us to have such a meaningful experience."

Anshei Sfard shrinks, considers its future

From time to time, rumors spread through the Louisville community. While they may be based on some facts, they often contain erroneous information. In recent weeks, numerous rumors have been circulating regarding Congregation Anshei Sfard. In an interview with *Community*, Anshei Sfard's president, Dr. Roy Hyman, set the record straight.

"Like every congregation," he said, "we're shrinking." In addressing the issues presented by a smaller congregation with fewer financial resources, Anshei Sfard is "entering a transitional period," he added.

At present, the congregation has a bigger building than it needs, and that facility is expensive to maintain. "Should a buyer come along and offer a price we would accept, we would sell the building and build another," that would match the congregation's current needs and be more cost efficient to operate, Dr. Hyman said.

With respect to clergy, Dr. Hyman indicated that the congregation is not looking to make a major change. "Rabbi [Avrohom] Litvin has other interests," he said, "and we're trying to figure out how to transition so that Rabbi Litvin is also able to pursue his interest."

In addition to serving Congregation

In addition to serving Congregation Anshei Sfard, Rabbi Litvin leads Chabad of Kentucky and is instrumental in the Louisville Jewish Day School, among other things.

In an attempt to be proactive and strengthen the congregation, Dr. Hyman and fellow congregants Brian and Judy Wallace are participating in a recruitment fair in New York this month, where they hope to entice Orthodox Jewish families from other communities to consider moving to Louisville.

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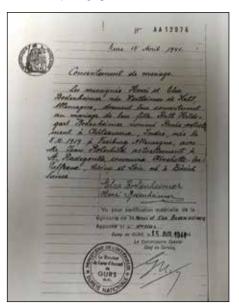
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Consent of Marriage from Renée's parents, Henri and Elsa Bodenheimer.

It was the last visit for any of them. Heinrich, Elsa, and Martl were later shipped to Auschwitz, where they were killed. At the time of her death, Martl was 19 years old.

At the farm, life was more tranquil. The military occupation seemed non-threatening; the Rothschild family responded to a call from German troops to board draft horses and received a visit from officers who inspected their stables to make sure they were up to standard. It was a simple business call.

A few days later, in town, two young German soldiers recognized John and his brother and stopped to chat. After a while, they asked if they could come out and visit. "What could we say?" John told me. "They were German soldiers – but they were nice fellows. So we told them yes."

The two visited the farm often during the occupation. On the first visit, they wanted to know if the Rothschilds listened to the war news from Great Britain, broadcast by the BBC. "Oh, no," they were told. "That is illegal." But somehow, a radio appeared, and the

soldiers and family listened to clandestine broadcasts together.

Then, with the German invasion of Russia, the soldiers told the family they would be shipping out. The Gestapo – the German secret police – would be moving in. "Things are going to get very bad for you," their new friends told them.

"All those French people in the town," John said, "Knew what was happening. Already the Germans were making deals with them. They could have warned us, but they said nothing. Our only warning came from two German soldiers who had become our friends."

Looking back, John and Renée agreed that friendship and even help sometimes came from unexpected places, and that they had accomplished nothing alone. Their determination, smart decisions, and love for each other were invaluable, but they could not have succeeded in getting to Switzerland, surviving the war, or making the good life they have without assistance from friends and even strangers whose paths crossed theirs.

And it's a risky business, trying to judge who will help and who means harm. It's possible that a person wearing a uniform that says "danger" is the person to trust, rather than the neighbor whose everyday friendliness masks indifference.

In 2012, John and Renée returned



to Europe to commemorate the events of 1941 and 1942, and to honor their families. In Kehl, they witnessed the placement of four "tripping stones" – commemorative tiles set into the sidewalk in front of Renée's former home. These tiles are set slightly higher than the sidewalk, so walkers cannot ignore them. Each stone bears the name of a family member and the years of birth, deportment, and murder. Renée's stone alone says, "Flucht 1942 schweiz – überlebt." Went to Switzerland in 1942. Survived.

"It is different now," Renée said. "They teach the school children what happened. There were students there, placing red roses by my family's stones. They want them to know, so it doesn't happen again."

At St. Radagonde, in France, a new family has taken over the farm. The new owners showed John and Renée around the place. It originally was a convent, and the Rothschild family had used the small chapel on the grounds as a synagogue. When the Americans came, they saw the chapel from across the river and thought it was a bunker; they shelled it to the ground.

The new owners of St. Radagonde have cleared that space. The foundations of the chapel-synagogue stand now as a border for a memorial they have erected, a beautiful monument naming all the Rothschild family members and their guests who were taken away by the Nazis in July 1942

away by the Nazis in July, 1942.

The Rothschild and Bodenheimer families are remembered, and not just by John and Renée, their lone surviving members. They now have American grandchildren and great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews and cousins. And even those in their own communities, where they were betrayed or simply left to fate by the indifference of their neighbors, now remember and honor their legacy of determination, faith, family, and life.



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Shlicha coming to JCC this summer

Hollander chosen to participate in training program in Israel

ouisville JCC day camp director Julie Hollander recently spent a week in Israel as part of JCC Association's Israel Up Close seminar, designed to enhance Israel programming in JCC day camps. The seminar included educational touring in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, and participation in the four-day training led for all of the summer shlichim - the young, post-army Israelis getting ready to spend their summers working as counselors and specialists in JCC camps.

Thanks to Robert and Felice Sachs, who have provided the funding to bring a shlicha to Louisville this summer, and Lior Yaron, who is providing funding for supplies and special programming with the shlicha. Dikla Alegra Levi will be Louisville's shlicha this summer. "I got to meet her and know her in an informal setting," Hollander said, and she's excited about the enrichment she will bring to the summer camp program and the community.

Levi, a woman in her mid-20's who has completed her Army service, will be teaching about Israel, connecting with individual campers and community members, and bringing creative ideas about ways to incorporate Israeli culture into camp programming.

JCC Association, the leadership network for Jewish Community Centers in North America, funded the Israel trip for Hollander and nine other day camp directors who otherwise would not have been able to attend.

"Creating personal connections between campers and staff and Israelis is at the heart of Israel education in our camps," said Jodi Sperling, director of camping and teen engagement for JCC Association. "It all starts with the camp director. When a director has their own connection to Israel, it strengthens the quality and depth of what they can create for their camp community."

Hollander couldn't agree more. The training gave her the training she needs to work effectively with Levi and help the community get the most value from the shlicha program. The trip also strengthened her personal connection to Israel.

The Jewish Agency for Israel runs the training seminar for the summer shlichim to prepare them for their work in the camps. The seminar addresses questions of Jewish identity, how and what to teach about Israel to campers and staff of varying ages, programming skills, and cultural differences between North Americans and Israelis. The camp directors in attendance serve as an important part of the training, facilitating groups, leading workshops, and answering questions about the experience to help prepare this year's

'We're thrilled that Julie Hollander was a part of Israel Up Close," Sperling says. "For a camp director to apply to a program like this shows thoughtfulness and a commitment to programmatic excellence.

When a shlicha comes to a community to work with the summer camp program, Hollander explained, that community provides home hospitality for her during her stay. Hollander still needs host families for this summer. She described Levi as a secular Israeli who is as eager to learn about American family life and culture as she is to share the Israeli perspective.

For information about hosting Levi, blease contact Hollander at jhollander@ jewishlouisville.org or 238-2708.

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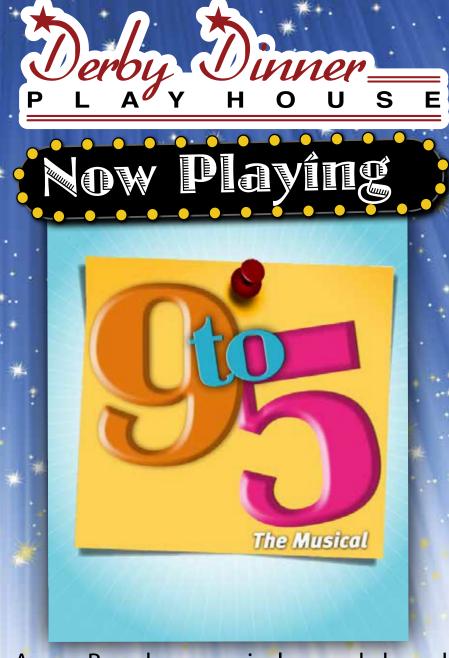
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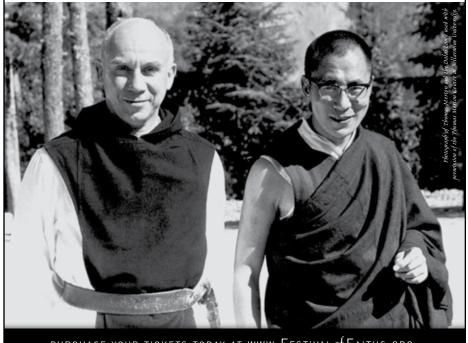


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Wednesday, May 1 KENTUCKY DERBY FESTIVAL BATTLE of the BOUNCE.

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<u>Thursday, May 2</u> KENTUCKY DERBY FESTIVAL 100 **BLACK MEN OF LOUISVILLE DERBY** GALA.

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Thursday, May 2 KENTUCKY DERBY FESTIVAL TUNE IT **UP THURSDAY CONCERT FEATURING** THE WALLFLOWERS.

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by Stew Bromberg Vice President and Chief Development Officer Jewish Federation of Louisville

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JCPA Plenum focuses on social justice

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

Each year, the Jewish Council for Public Affairs convenes its Plenum in Washington, D.C., at which delegates from across the country learn about pressing social issues, engage in discussion and debate, set the national Jewish social action agenda for the year to come and meet with legislators on Capitol Hill.

This year, Louisville's delegation was eight strong – one of the largest from any community. It included Jewish Community Relations Council Chair Aya Golding, Ronald and Marie Abrams, Bryan Matthews, Ed Segal, Becky Ruby Swansburg, Ben Vaughan and JCRC Director Matt Goldberg. Marie Abrams, a past chair of the organization, facilitated a panel discussion on gay marriage. Ronald Abrams is a past treasurer.

"It was a wonderful conference," Swansburg said. Its offerings covered a wide variety of topics. A particular emphasis she noted

A particular emphasis she noted was on building coalitions and holding them together. There is strength that

comes from working on issues in coalition with other groups.

Delegates discussed what communities and JCRCs can do to strengthen relations with other faith groups. "Listening to our peers," Swansburg stated, "it was clear that Louisville has done an excellent job to reaching out to other faith communities, but there is still a lot more we could be doing." One suggestion she made is identifying key issues that can serve as bridges to other faith communities enabling our JCRC to start conversations.

"We had some very thoughtful and respectful debate on issues that not everyone within the Jewish community agrees on," Swansburg observed, "particularly around the area of gay marriage and civil unions. It was very inspiring to see the entire Jewish community, from the Reform and Conservative to the Orthodox and most of the national Jewish organizations come together to better under each other's points of view and find where we had commonalities and where we could make progress."

"One of the useful aspects about this Plenum, since it was held in D.C., was the opportunity to talk to the staff of our Congressional representatives, if not the people themselves," Segal explained, "which gave a strong feeling of 'democracy in action' as the legislators heard from some of their constituents."

The group met with representatives from Cong. John Yarmuth's and Sen. Rand Paul's offices.

"The main issues we discussed with them were our concerns about a nuclear Iran, support for Israel, the impact sequestration has the potential to have on our community and some of the social justice issues like wage equality, our social support system, food stamps and aid to needy families," Swansburg reported.

"We also got to hear from a number of other senators and representatives," Segal said. "Remarkably, all voted against the sequester of funds. So, in that sense, I'm still left with the question: Who voted for it, and why?

"Assuming, for the moment, that all of our delegation, and probably most other people at the Plenum, opposed the sequester, it might have been useful to hear from those on the other side, if only to know what we were up against."

One of the plenary sessions is devoted to resolutions that set the national Jewish social action agenda for the coming year. Local JCRCs decide which, if any, of the national priorities to pursue. Swansburg said that two resolutions were passed, one in support of reducing gun violence and the other in support of wage equality for women.

The keynote speaker, U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, addressed the issue of immigration.

The plenum also offered many workshops and opportunities for networking with other JCRC leaders from across the country. The Louisville delegation coordinated their schedules so there was at least one local representative in each workshop so they could bring back home as much information as possible.

"For someone coming from a community like Louisville," Segal observed, "one of the first things that becomes apparent is that we (Louisville) aren't alone. There really are other JCRCs 'out there,' some of whom have the same problems and concerns we do, and some that have other problems or concerns. Most important is that the sense of isolation brought about by being active in a single community is forever gone."



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TEEN TOPICS

Milestone

by Rachel Simone Bass, Eli Griffin Gould and Klaire Blakely Spielberg

My Brother Alephs and Sister BBGs, we are so excited to announce that Louisville BBYO now has 100 members! We are so proud of reaching this goal because it means that more Jewish teens are having more Jewish Experiences.

In celebration of this historic milestone, we invite all Alephs, BBGs, Alephs in Training (AITs), Members in Training (MITs), and prospective members to a Pizza Party on May 5 at 1 p.m. in Game Central at the JCC. At this party, we will celebrate all of the great things that we have accomplished this year.

We recognize that even though we have reached this milestone, we still have much work to do. We look forward to seeing all the great things that Louisville BBYO will accomplish in the future.

Jay Levine BBG by Rachel Bass

"April showers bring May flowers..." but it's been nothing but bright and sunny for Louisville's Jay Levine BBG!

The chapter has successfully recruited 14 eighth-grade girls as their MITs (members-in-training), who joined five other chapter members in attending AIT/MIT from April 19-21. AIT/MIT is a learning convention for

new members who are joining BBYO.

Prior to the convention, the chapter elected their MIT board. MIT board is a way for eighth-grade girls to learn about the election process, get the feel of running, and experience what it's like to be a board. Congratulations to Marnina Goldberg, Izzy Geller, Ava Greenberg, Bailey Czerkowitz, Abigail Goldberg and Laina Meyerowitz. The girls will be planning a program next month to close out the term.

At Jay Levine's last big sleepover (which was a major success with 35 girls in attendance), the girls decided on their official Stand Up! cause: underprivileged children. In May, they will be volunteering and creating events to support this.

This month, the girls will be participating in J-Serve, the annual community service day for Jewish teenagers around the world. They will also be having an "auction" event to kick off their Bigs/Littles program. Eighthgraders will be paired up with older members in a big sis/little sis system that will teach them about BBYO, help them make the transition from MIT to member, and have someone to look up to in BBYO.

April has been extremely successful for the chapter, and they cannot wait to see where the end of the term takes them. Be on the lookout for upcoming fundraisers to help the girls raise money for themselves, scholarships, and ISF.

Israel@65

On Sunday, April 14, 44 teens in 6th-12th grades volunteered at the Jewish



Newly Elected Jay Levine MIT Board-N'siah Marnina Goldberg, S'ganit Izzy Geller, Morah Ava Greenberg, Shlicha Bailey Czerkiewicz, Gizborit Abigail Goldberg, Mazkirah Laina Meyerowitz and Sunshine Girls Baily Doctrow Skylar Silberman and Lauren Kasdan

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Rachel Bass helping out at the Bounce House

Community Center's Israel@65 celebration. They ran the Passport to Israel children's activities, assisted with stations along the route of the walk, operated the bounce house, took photographs, helped with food sales and assisted with the Krav Maga Demonstration. Even though it was hard work, all of the teens had a great time helping with the celebration.



Western Wall Children's Activities

BBYO KIO AIT/MIT by Kyle Gordon

The weekend of April 19-21, Drew Corson AZA and Jay Levine BBG sent 28 eighth-graders to AIT/MIT 2013: Welcome to the Good Life, at Camp Campbell Gard in Hamilton, OH. Eli Gould was the administrator for this event and Daniela Reuter, Kyle Gordon and Katie Segal were on the Steering Committee.

The eighth-graders were taught the core values of BBYO and learned about the traditions of both AZA and BBG. The boys and girls were put into mock chapters so they could learn about the history of AZA and BBG, and all of the possible positions to be held in BBYO.

All 28 were inducted into the brotherhood of AZA and sisterhood of BBG. All of the teens had a lot of fun at the dance and met many new friends.

Teen Connection

This past month has been great for Teen Connection.

Members conquered the ice rink as they played broomball. They mastered the steep slopes of the rock walls at Rocksport, and they helped out at the Israel@65 celebration.

This month began with broomball. What is broomball, you may ask? Broomball is basically hockey with a "broom" that resembles an oar. Teens ran up and down the rink and played

tons of games.

The group also went to Rocksport during spring break and learned how to belay, climb rock walls and glaciers. By the end of the day, the teens felt really accomplished as everyone made it to the top of walls!

Upcoming events:

Friday, May 17, 6:30-8:30 p.m. is the progressive dinner. Eighth-graders are invited to an Eighth Grade Only Progressive Dinner as they transition from Teen Connection to BBYO, NFTY and USY. Join Teen Connection as participants celebrate transitioning from one part of a meal to another. Boys should bring salads or desserts and girls should bring a vegetarian pasta dish. The event will be hosted by the Bass and Meyerowitz Families.

May 18-19, 7 a.m.-9 p.m. at the JCC is the Teen Connection Dive In movie overnight. The group will do Havdallah, watch a movie in the pool, enjoy ice cream sundaes and hang out! The cost is \$15 and snacks and breakfast will be provided!

If you are interested in attending either event, please contact Rachel Lipkin at rlipkin@jewishlouisville.org.



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Drew Frey, Jordan Gould, Hunter Borowick, Nathan Cohen, vAlex Koby, Ben Gould, Spencer Geer, Mitchell Gordon, David Hemmer, Justin Bass at KIO BBYO AIT/MIT Convention

CUFI director stresses importance of working together for Israel

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

hen David Brog, tive director of Christians United for Israel (CUFI), came to Louisville on April 21 to speak at "A Night to Honor Israel" at Evangel World Prayer Center, he also came to the Jewish Community Center to speak to members of the Jewish community at a brunch sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council.

Brog's clear message to the Jewish community at the brunch was CUFI is a one-issue organization. Its sole purpose is to support Israel and it is to the advantage of both the Jewish community and the Christian community to work together on this issue. He shared CUFI's message in prepared remarks and in answering questions from those in attendance.

Brog was straightforward in addressing issues of concern some members of the Jewish community have raised about working with CUFI, and he posits that much of the discomfort arises from a lack of understanding of the organization.

CUFI is a Christian organization that was founded by Pastor John C. Hagee, the senior pastor of Cornerstone Church in San Antonio, TX, an evangelical congregation. The only activities CUFI engages in are advocating for Israel.

Brog, himself a committed Jew, stated unequivocally that CUFI does not proselytize. He was clear that Christian theology teaches that the only way to salvation is through belief in Jesus and Jewish theology teaches that the messiah has not yet come. Rather than put this issue front and center, CUFI has put its priority on supporting Israel. Its members treat the Jewish community with respect, and on the theological issue of the messiah, they acknowledge the differences and have agreed to disagree.

He acknowledged that there are Christian groups that do believe it is their duty to share their faith and convert Jews, and he pointed to Jews for Jesus as an example, but CUFI understands that such attempts are offensive to the Jewish community and its policy is to disagree on theology.

Brog contends the Jewish community's concern that CUFI members are engaging them in support of Israel today to open the door to conversion efforts in the future are unfounded. CUFI bases its support for Israel on two principles: Genesis 12:3, which states that those who bless Israel will be blessed and a sense of guilt and shame for the Holocaust.

The guilt that some Christians feel, he explained, is that those responsible for the atrocities were Christian Europeans and many churches did nothing to prevent it. Brog said he often argues that Christians are not responsible for the Holocaust, and CUFI members often take responsibility and apologize for the horrors, and vow never to be silent again.

Another misconception Brog says is common in the Jewish community is that Evangelical Christians support Jews returning to Israel in the belief that it will hasten the end of days and bring the second coming of the messiah.

The Christian belief, he explained, is that God alone sets the timing of the coming of the messiah and people can't do anything to affect God's schedule. It is a Jewish concept that the actions of individuals can bring the messiah more quickly.

Again and again, Brog stressed CUFI treats Jews with respect, does not proselytize and is a single issue organization. He challenged the Jewish community to address its own prejudices with respect to Evangelical Christians and to learn more about them.

Some members of the Jewish community have also expressed concern about working with Evangelical Christians on Israel, the one issue about which they strongly agree, when there are many other social issues where they strongly disagree, like gay marriage or

Neither the Jewish community nor CUFI members are monolithic in their opinions on social issues, Brog pointed out. While many Jews tend to favor liberal positions and many Evangelical Christians come out on the conservative side, there are members of both groups who fall on the other side.

In addition, CUFI's membership is not limited to Evangelical Christians. Brog described outreach efforts to various ethnic groups and to members of mainstream Christian denominations who are disaffected from their churches' anti-Israel positions.

Once again, Brog advocated setting aside issues on which people disagree to work together on behalf of Israel. There is no expectation the groups working together in coalition on a specific issue agree on any other issues, he stated.

He also indicated that CUFI, like AIPAC (the American Israel Public Affairs Committee) supports Israel but does not take a stand on Israeli government policy decisions. The decisions on whether to pursue peace with the Palestinians, and if there should be a oneor two-state solution, should be left to Israel's democratic government, he contends. We don't live there. How can we determine what's best for Israel?

Looking at world opinion about Brog described Europe as "post-Christian," where a secular viewpoint governs decisions, and the United States as "Christian," where faith still shapes policy decisions.

That means that Americans tend to give credence to Jewish claims of rights to land in Israel as given by God, where Europeans discount those claims and see the Israelis as occupiers of someone

Pro-Palestinian groups have been quick to capitalize on these attitudes. It's easy to arouse sympathy for the Palestinians by showing a photo of an Israeli soldier with a gun and a cowering Palestinian young woman. It is more difficult for pro-Israel groups to teach the history behind the photo to explain how the Israeli soldier with the gun came to be there and why it is necessary.

Brog identified American college campuses as an important battleground. Young people are less affiliated than prior generations, he contends, and they are more likely to be neutral in their feelings toward Israel. With active propagandists for the delegitimation of Israel on campus, CUFI needs to be on campus to present the pro-Israel side. Currently, there are CUFI chapters on 100 campuses across the country. Brog would like to see that expanded to 1000.

Leon Wahba, the Jewish Community Relations Council's chair of the Interfaith Relations Subcommittee, indicated that the JCRC is beginning dialogue with CUFI to establish a CUFI chapter on the University of Louisville campus. Most of the time, he said, U of L is quiet, but once a year there is a week that focuses on Israel as an apartheid state. A CUFI chapter could effectively present more balanced information at that time and work on behalf of Israel year 'round.

Wahba also encouraged people to attend the "A Night to Honor Israel" program at Evangel World Prayer Center that evening.

David Brog is the executive director of Christians United for Israel (CUFI). Before CUFI, Brog worked in the United States Senate for seven years, rising to be chief of staff to Senator Arlen Specter and staff director of the Senate Judiciary Committee. He has also served as an executive at America

Online and practiced corporate law in Tel Aviv, Israel and Philadelphia, PA

Brog is the author of Standing with Israel: Why Christians Support the Jewish State (2006) and In Defense of Faith: the Judeo-Christian Idea and the Struggle for Humanity (2010). In 2007, the Forward newspaper listed Brog in its "Forward 50" most influential Jews in America. He is a graduate of Princeton University and Harvard Law School.

Brog's biographical information came from www. cufi.org.



CUFI Executive Director David Brog and Leon Wahba, the Jewish Community Relations Council's chair of the Interfaith Relations Subcommittee



Brog met informally with Jewish community leaders before he addressed the group.



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Yaron Sideman, counsel general of the State of Israel; Stu Silberman, president and CEO of the Jewish Community of Louisville; and Ayala Golding, chair of the Jewish Community Relations Council



The Lost Tribe performed.

Israeli consul general and CUFI executive director share podium at Evangel's Night to Honor Israel

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

vangel World Prayer Center invited the Jewish community to join them in the Billtown Road facility for a "Night to Honor Israel" on Sunday, April 21, and those in attendance were treated as honored guests by the congregation.

Following solo presentations of "The Star Spangled Banner" by Don Peterson and "Hatikvah" by Tasha Hatchett, The Lost Tribe Klezmer Band performed several instrumental pieces, including their own take on "Hatikvah," and Evangel's Singers presented "Blow a Trumpet in Zion." Later in the program, Sophia Crowder performed "Shiiti Adoni L'negdi."

There were video messages from Israeli Prime Minister Benyamin Netanyahu, actor John Voight, Pastor Pat Robertson and Operation Lifeshield, an organization that places small concrete shelters in areas of Israel that are subject to rocket attacks.

Both Pastor Kevin McKnight and Senior Pastor Bob Rogers welcomed everyone and Pastor Rogers told the crowd that, "We've come together to show the world that there is bonding between Jews and Christians" and the two groups stand together with Israel.

Pastor Rogers spoke of his more than 40 visits to Israel and the strong connection he feels, and how during World War I, General Edmund Allenby drove the Turks from Jerusalem through a leaflet campaign when the person who translated a letter into Arabic for him

didn't know what to do with his signature and mistranslated "Allenby" into "Allah." Rogers said the message the Turkish soldiers received was interpreted as instructions from God to flee from the British. It was more believable because the leaflets were dropped from a plane, and many of the Turks had never seen a plane before.

Jewish Community of Louisville President and CEO Stu Silberman thanked Pastor Rogers and the congregation for the warm welcome and reminded those present of some of Israel's many accomplishments in technology and its commitment to humanitarian aid, noting the help it sent to Haiti and the training it provides to first responders like those who had to deal with the terrorist attack at the Boston Marathon.

Yaron Sideman, consul general of the State of Israel to the Mid-Atlantic States also spoke, recounting how Jewish ties to the land in Israel go back 4,000 years, and although Jerusalem was destroyed and the Jewish people were exiled in the year 70, the Jews never stopped yearning for the reestablishment of a Jewish State. That dream was realized 65 years ago after nearly 2,000 years of exile. "Our deed is the Bible," Sideman declared.

After highlighting some of Israel's accomplishments and identifying Iran as a primary threat, Sideman said Israel is lucky to have the U.S. as a friend and ally.

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Alternative Spring Break program takes Louisville Hillel students to Israel

by Ben Rubenstein President, Hillel, University of Louisville

"An American, Hungarian and Israeli walk into a bar"

What normally would sound like the beginning of a terribly insensitive joke actually turns out to be an amazing introduction to the Partnership 2Gether Alternative Spring Break trip to Israel that I had the pleasure of being a part of this March.

For eight amazing days, I was able to join students from the University of Louisville, University of Texas, and Western Galilee College, along with students from various institutions in Budapest, Hungary, as we did service throughout the Western Galilee area.

Unlike many service trips, where the volunteers work with one organization for the entire trip, the Partnership 2Gether experience exposed us to multiple organizations and causes, all of which dealt with different socioeconomic issues facing the area. This approach allowed a wide array of special interests to be displayed, which ensured that all of us on the trip got to experience projects for which we had particular passion, as well as those we might not have ever thought to do.

The programs, which varied from painting with at-risk youth to cleaning an ancient aqueduct, were full of extraordinary people who welcomed us as guests and friends. The days were exhausting but equally rewarding.

It was inspiring to see the stacks of boxes and bags of food we put together

so less fortunate families could have Passover; rewarding to be swarmed with hugs from children after an afternoon of sports and painting; and humbling to hear the stories of the handicapped Israelis who are completely in love with life despite the everyday struggles they face. Each and every program showed us the real issues and people of the Western Galilee and gave us encouragement to undertake the same amazing service projects into our home communities.

Paired with the rewarding service work were educational programs. A tour of the border with Lebanon, a visit to the moving Ghetto Fighters Holocaust Museum and a discussion with a Hungarian Holocaust survivor, along with a conference on Holocaust academia and a stop in the Ayalim student village were a few of my favorite educational experiences. However, it is important to say that while some of the events during the ASB weren't official

"educational" programs, there was not a single moment that went by that all of us were not learning things about ourselves, the group, Israel, and what it means to be a Jew.

It is incredible how close the 30 individuals who were a part of the ASB experience came to be. I cannot sit here and pick out a favorite event or specify when the group went from strangers to family, but what I can say with confidence is that each and every one of the participants was changed by the week we had together. So, as I am sure you have been eagerly anticipating for the length of this article, I give you the punch line of my joke, "... and they had the time of their lives."

Editor's note: In addition to Ben Rubenstein, Louisville Hillel students Bailey Haskell and Josh Latzko participated in the Alternative Spring Break program. Their trip was funded through Partnership 2Gether, Hillel and private donations.

The Temple Opens Jewish Children's Library

by Christon Segal and Joyce Eiseman

The Temple has announced the opening of the only Jewish children's library in Kentucky, thanks to a generous grant from the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence. The grant funded the purchase of new library furniture and more than 100 books covering a variety of Jewish topics for elementary and middle school students.

Anyone in the community is welcome to visit The Temple library to borrow these books. The goal of the library is to offer children a broad spectrum of books pertaining to Jewish life. From books about specific holidays to novels about life during the Holocaust, children should be able to find a book at their reading level.

Many of the books were chosen from the Sydney Taylor Award list. Sydney Taylor is best known for writing All of a Kind Family. Expect to find old favorites and new, like The Book Thief, Because Nothing Looks Like God, Rabbi Harvey Rides Again, Private Joel and The Sewell Mountain Seder, and Miriam, Ever Watchful.

Books may be checked out at any time by signing your name, phone number and e-mail. Books can be returned to the library or to the religious school on Wednesdays and Sundays. Some grades will be offered the opportunity to check out books from the library's book cart that will travel to classrooms.

The library's hours are Mondays, 12-5 p.m.; Tuesdays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m.; Thursdays, 9 a.m.-12 noon; Fridays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; and Sundays immediately following Sunday School.



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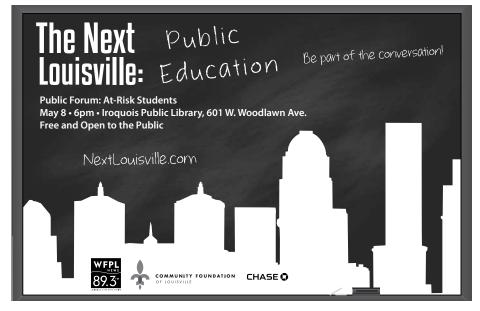
tive Director David Brog took the podium and delivered a message of partnership between Christians and Jews as they stand together and work on behalf of Israel. He recounted stories of extraordinary friendships between pairs of Christians and Jews, including Theodore Herzl and William Heckler, Chaim Weizmann and Arthur Balfour, and Menachem Begin and Jerry Fallwell. Using these leaders as examples, he stressed the importance of Jewish/ Christian solidarity with Israel.

Brog also pointed out that by fighting Hamas and Hezbollah, Israel is fighting America's enemies so the U.S. does not have to engage in direct combat.

Israel is the only pro-American democracy in the region, he noted, and even though the U.S. has tried to establish others in the region, in Iraq and Afghanistan, it has failed.

He also credited Christian support for Israel with keeping America's ties with the Jewish State strong.

Rabbi David Ariel-Joel brought the program to a close with a prayer for peace in English, Arabic and Hebrew.



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Naamani Lecture looks at Small-Town Jewish communities

by Cynthia Canada

he University of Louisville's 2013 Naamani Lecture, delivered by Professor Lee Shai Weissbach on April 9, focused on the topic of his new book, *Jewish Life in Small-Town America: A History.* In his talk, Prof. Weissbach explored contrasts between small Jewish communities and those in larger cities in the early 20th century, as well as the contributions those small communities made to the towns where they were located.

From 1899 to 1922, the Industrial Removal Office – an organization funded by the Baron de Hirsch Fund and the Jewish Colonization Association, among others – encouraged new Jewish immigrants to the U.S. to leave large coastal population centers and resettle in smaller towns and cities throughout the nation. In these places, Jewish settlers took on the roles of merchants, service providers, and grocers and were influential in establishing a solid middle class.

Unlike their counterparts in large cities, Jewish residents of small towns did not usually go into manufacturing or the professions. Instead, they established businesses that became the anchors of their new hometowns, serving a broad cross-section of the population. Retail inventories supplied the needs of everyday life – clothing, shoes, housewares and hardware, generally marketed as high quality goods at affordable prices. Clothing retailers in particular offered a link to east-coast centers of culture, placing themselves as the source for current styles, and

they often named their businesses to enhance that image – for example, The Manhattan Clothing Company in Sandusky, OH, and Bon Marché, a department store in Asheville, NC.

Prof. Weissbach's research encompasses small-town Jewish communities of between 100 and 499 individuals. Of the communities included, he found that 69 percent had only one Jewish congregation, and about 20 percent had two congregations – usually one Reform and one Orthodox. In such cases, the Reform congregation was usually the older of the two, established by German Jewish immigrants in the early years of settlement. Or-

thodox congregations were more often established by Eastern Europeans who came later.

In many cases, the small size of congregations encouraged a degree of cooperation almost unheard of in larger population centers, with members reaching agreement on ordinarily contentious issues such as seating arrangements and instrumental music so they could worship together. On the other hand, some communities supported multiple congregations in spite of their small size, for reasons ranging from purely theological to simply geographical – such as in North Adams, MA, where a second congregation formed

in the years before World War II so the residents of that part of town would not have to drive on the Sabbath.

Prof. Weissbach's study comprises a close look at an aspect of American Jewish life that is often overlooked, but one that offers insight into the geography, sociology, and theology of Jewish culture in America.

The Naamani Memorial Lecture Series is supported by donations to the Naamani Memorial Lecture Fund. The series was established in 1979 to honor the memory of Professor Israel T. Naamani, long a beloved member of both the University of Louisville community and the Louisville Jewish community.

Signature renovates, renames Four Courts

Celebrates grand reopening of Excelerated CARE unit with open house on April 18

Signature HealthCARE of Cherokee Park (formerly Four Courts at Cherokee Park) held an open house on April 18 to celebrate the nursing and rehab



Signature President and CEO Joe Steir and SHC of Cherokee Park Administrator Nicoile Meade

grand opening of its Excelerated CARE unit.

The unit is designed to meet the needs of short-term patients with plans

center's recent renovation and the

to return to their own homes. Because they have distinctly different needs and schedules, long-term residents live separately in the building's Linker Unit. Glenn Knight, Executive Director for the St. Matthews Area Chamber of

for the St. Matthews Area Chamber of Commerce, attended to celebrate the opening of the unit with a formal ribbon cutting. Signature President and CEO Joe Steier welcomed guests and kicked off the celebration.

Food was prepared by SHC of Cherokee Park staff, and attendees enjoyed a tour of the center.



"It was a fantastic night," said SHC of Cherokee Park Administrator Nicolle Meade. "This was a great opportunity to showcase not only the beauty of the facility, but also the clinical footprint we are making in the medical community. We work to offer a one-of-a-kind customer experience, caring for body, mind and spirit."

Seder Service Conducted at Signature Healthcare of Cherokee Park Jewish residents of Signature Healthcare of Cherokee Park (Four Courts)

Jewish residents of Signature Healthcare of Cherokee Park (Four Courts) and their families celebrated Passover with Seders on the first two nights of Passover. The Seders, which included the traditional symbols of the holiday, recounting the story of the exodus from Egypt from the Haggadah and holiday meals, took place in the Behr Chapel.

Sheila Schwartz, whose mother Evelyn Feingold resides at Signature Healthcare of Cherokee Park, organized the Seders with direct support from Director of Spirituality Craig Cantrall and Quality of Life Director Jaime Larimorep. The Seder meals were provided by Mike Jewellson, Eunice Thompson and their team.

Nineteen residents and family members were at each Seder. Deb Amchin of Keneseth Israel facilitated the first night, and Alex Rosenberg and his son, Noah, of Temple Shalom facilitated the second night.

Family members and residents were encouraged to participate actively. Dr. Jason Greenburg (son-in-law of Isadore "Izzy" Eisenwasser) and Bruce Miller (son of resident Barbara Miller) capped off the celebration by facilitating the last portion of the Seder after the meal on the second night. Additionally, resident Ruth Nelson provided a reading one night and sang a song in Hebrew to close the meal on the second night.

Feedback from family members and residents was very positive. They enjoyed the Seder and being able to participate. Several were ecstatic about the meals, especially the brisket. Overall it

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Resident Doris Benjamin celebrated the Seder with four generations of her family. Clockwise from bottom left; great-granddaughter Mieli Hanning, daughter Maren Mithchel, granddaughter Marcee Hanning and Doris Benjamin.

was felt to be a memorable experience.

"We were honored and touched by each family that helped make the Seders possible. And it was a special privilege to experience residents like Ruth Nelson giving of herself and sharing during the Seder," said Cantrall. "It was really a great time," saod

"It was really a great time," saod Selina Ferguson, Eisenwasser's daughter.

ter.
"It (the Seder) was really good, and the brisket was something else!" added Jesse Dunn, who is not Jewish but has had strong ties to the Jewish community throughout her life.

"You know I grew up Orthodox? But everything was good," observed Louis Getzel, retired pharmacist.

"My son thought it was fantastic! It was so wonderful; tables set so families could sit together with flowers on every table, and not only a real Seder plate, but everyone had a plate with the elements on it. It was like having Seder at home," said resident Barbara Miller.

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Sen. Stein spoke on Frankfort politics at Senior University

by Dianna Ott

he lone Jewish member of the Kentucky General Assembly, State Senator Kathy Stein was the keynote speaker for Senior University 2013, a day-long event featuring topics of special interest to Jewish senior adults at The Temple on April

Stein, a Democrat who represents Senate District 13 in Lexington, began her remarks with an apology, "I hate to tell you how unseemly some of the activities in Frankfort really are.

From there, she launched into a story about how lobbyists for the National Rifle Association (NRA) make political threats to legislators who oppose their positions on bills dealing with issues of gun control. Political Action Committees (PACs) controlled by lobbying groups such as the NRA wield enormous political power in Frankfort and across the country, using funds controlled by their group to campaign against reelection for those who do not cast votes favorable to their cause.

Several years ago as Chair of the Judiciary Committee, Stein refused a hearing on a bill sponsored by Representative Robert Damron of Nicholasville to allow anyone to carry weapons on college campuses in Kentucky, a policy long favored by the National Rifle Association. NRA spokesman Wayne LaPierre has been quoted recently as saying The only thing that stops a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun, in response to the school shooting in Newtown, Connecticut last December.

But Stein said, "I consulted with the head of security at the University of Kentucky who told me this would be 'a police officer's worst nightmare' if a shooting occurred. He told me if everyone had a gun, in the heat of the moment officers would never be able to tell the good guys from the bad guys, Stein said.

Because Stein would not allow the bill to come up in committee hearings, she said suffered verbal attacks from both the NRA and Damron, the bill's

Stein, an attorney, earned her J.D. from the University of Kentucky and served in the Kentucky House of Representatives from 1997 through 2008, when she was elected to the Senate for

District 13. The location of Stein's district in Lexington was threatened in 2012 by a move to redraw district lines, a decision later overturned by the Kentucky Supreme Court. The redistricting move was seen by many as a deliberate attempt by Republican leadership to unseat her and other progressive

Stein's presentation, titled "A Lonely Voice in Frankfort," underscored the reality of being the only Jewish member of the General Assembly. She described receptions "where you find an awful lot of ham biscuits on the menu, for example.

When Lee Todd was president of the University of Kentucky, every New Year's Day I'd cook and take to Dr. and Mrs. Todd my version Hoppin' John, a traditional southern dish of black-eyed peas, rice, kale, and yes, bacon," she told the audience. UK's current president Eli Capilouto is Jewish, so now she bakes a flourless chocolate torte for Passover as her gift. "It's really, really delicious. Trust me," she added.

A native of the coal-mining region of southwest Virginia, Stein took time in her remarks to address the "so-



State Sen. Kathy Stein was the keynote speaker at

called war on coal" in which well-moneyed interests from out-of-state have "convinced people that they are friends of miners and that all state and federal government regulation is bad." In reality, Stein continued, it is standard practice for the coal industry to violate ethical and regulatory rules requiring them to reclaim land damaged by min-

She described the historical practice in the coal fields of company-built housing and miners paid with "scrip," currency printed by the coal compa-

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to support a healthy, active lifestyle.

Nelson, who used to lead trips for new immigrants from the former Soviet Union to Washington, took the "I didn't realize so many Americans had not gone to Washington," she said.

Planning the trip was not a problem. There are more places the seniors would enjoy visiting than there is time to visit them all. Many active seniors, however, live on fixed incomes and the cost of a trip like this can be prohibitive. So Nelson turned to the Jewish Federation of Louisville for help, and Stew Bromberg, vice president and chief development officer, found the help she needed from William and Judy Levy Fund.

With all the pieces in place, Nelson planned the trip for April 14-17, and she and Sadle took 23 seniors on this adventure. The group was very diverse. Participants ranged in age from 62 to 92. They came from all walks of life, Jewish and non-Jewish and included a Serbian refugee and a Lebanese woman. The group even included Frank Lichtefeld, who is the Senior Adult program's regular bus driver in Louisville, and his wife, Bonnie.

They had a knowledgeable tour guide, Channa Hayes, and the group peppered her with questions. "They developed amazing camaraderie," Nelson said, "and looked after each other. Nobody got lost."

The itinerary included stops at the Lincoln Memorial, the memorials for World War II and the Korean and Viet Nam Wars and the Einstein Memorial; tours of the U.S. Capitol and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Arlington National Cemetery and some of the museums of the Smithsonian Institution.

In addition, the group spent some time at the Washington, D.C., JCC. They toured the facility with Associate Executive Director Josh Ford, enjoyed lunch, joined in a Skype conversation with Senior Adult program participants who remained in Louisville and had a briefing with Paul Beck from the Department of Homeland Security.

Everyone who went came back to Louisville energized and excited.

"I had never been to Washington, D.C. before," said Margaret Mazanec, "and I'm thankful I had the opportunity to go with such wonderful people. I didn't know a lot of them, but we bonded like family."

Rosita Kaplin agreed. "Everybody helped each other. It was wonderful."

For Mazanec, a highlight of the trip was the changing of the guard at Arlington National Cemetery. The guards were polished and professional. They performed with precision and never

Martha Bennett was also impressed with the changing of the guard. It was so impressive that even a group of middle or high school students who stood nearby were silent throughout the solemn ceremony. The guard changes every half hour, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, she added.

There were 22 funerals at Arlington the day the group was there, Kaplin said, and they saw one with a funeral procession that included a band and two white horses.

The tombstones there form a "cascading vee" shape, Mazanec observed.

The Holocaust Museum made an impression on Bob Hillebrand. "We were the last group to come out of the Holo-caust Museum," he said, "and the last thing we saw was a room full of shoes.

At the Smithsonian, the group split up and everyone went his/her own way. For Kaplin, the orchids from Brazil were the big draw, whereas Bennett headed for the Hope Diamond and the exhibits of First Ladies' dresses and china.

Everyone agreed there was too much to see in one trip and they'd like to go back to Washington or on another Senior Adult Department trip. They also agreed that Nelson and Sadle did an excellent job with the trip and everyone felt they were well taken care of.

Those who traveled to Washington with Nelson and Sadle were Teresa Barczy, Martha Bennett, Mag Davis, Bob Hillebrand, Rosita Kaplin, David and Margot Kling, Dolores Levy, Frank Bonnie Lichtefeld, Judy Lott, Thelma Marx, Margaret Mazanec, Margo McCabe, Bibi Monsky, Rodney Sharon Pearman, Ilean Rowe, Joan Stein, Dan and Mary Jane Streit, Martha Tebault and Linda Williams.



During a stop at the Washington JCC, the travelers checked in with their friends at the Louisville JCC via Skype.



Bob Hillebrand, who served in the Korean War, stood in front of the monument to his fallen comrades



Everyone kept going throughout the trip. At left, clockwise from left, Delores Levy, Martha Bennett, Ilean Rowe and Thelma Marx didn't let the steps slow them down. Below, the group waited patiently in line to get into the U.S. Holocaust Me



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artnership 2Gether is offering a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to celebrate the 65th Anniversary of Israel this fall in country. This nine-day Partnership Trip 2Gether mission, scheduled for September 21 through October 1, will bring people from the Central Area Consortium to the Western Galilee where participants will engage in a wide variety of artistic, cultural and heritage experiences as they connect with the extended Partnership 2Gether family in Israel. In addition to three nights in the North, the trip includes four nights in Jerusalem and one night in Tel Aviv.

The Partnership Trip2Gether itinerary is broad and richly diverse. It includes the opportunity to discover and learn about Jerusalem's treasures by visiting New Yitzak Rabin Center, Old City and Kotel, City of David tunnel

excavation, the newly renovated Israel Museum and Yad Vashem; tour the galleries and shops of Old Jaffa and Old Akko, and sail into the caves at Rosh Hanikra.

There will also be time to recharge the soul and engage the senses with some of the region's most compelling artistic offerings, including the opening gala of Ballet Austin's Light/The Holocaust & Humanity performance, Akko: Israel Festival of Alternative Theatre & The Arts, as well as arts workshops and other partnership experiences.

Partnership Trip2Gether also offers the chance to make a real difference together by deepening faith connections and working on projects with Israeli friends in the Western Galilee, including meeting with Lone Soldiers and MASA youth.

For more information on Partner-

ship Trip2Gether, including a detailed itinerary, cost and registration information, contact Sara Wagner at (502) 238-2779 or swagner@jewishlouisville. org.

Partnership Trip2Gether is one of many activities spawned by the larger initiative Partnership 2Gether, a program first introduced in 1997. Similar to the popular Sister Cities effort, Partnership 2Gether affords many opportunities for people on both sides of the ocean to work together in the fields of medicine, arts, education, twinning, co-existence, leadership development, culture, business development, economics and tourism.

With 45 Partnerships worldwide, Louisville is part of the Midwest Consortium of communities that also includes Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown, OH; Indianapolis, Northwest Indiana and South Bend, IN; Louisville; Des Moines, IA; Omaha, NE; and Austin, Dallas and San Antonio TX. These consortium cities partner with Israel's Western Galilee area that includes the city of Akko, the Western Galilee Hospital and the rural communities of the Matte Asher Regional Council along the Mediterranean Sea.

Since its inception in Louisville, Partnership2Gether has produced many meaningful cross-country exchanges in the arts, education and medicine and collaborations on business ventures. The Partnership is supported by the Jewish Federation of Louisville Campaign.

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По-Русски

Ежегодная Кампания 2013 Закрывается 7 Мая

Ежегодная Кампания Федерации дает возможность Еврейской Общине Луивилла финансировать разнообразные программы и услуги, включая также и многое для иммигрантов и пожилвх. Целью Кампании в этом году было собрать \$2,141,000. На сегодняшний день собран \$1,620,718. Нам нужна Ваша помощь.

Новый финансовый год начинается 1 июля, и все решения, касающиеся распределения ресурсов, удовлетворяющих нужды общинв, должны бвть приняты сегодня. По программе Кампания 2013 должна закрываться 30 апреля. Однако для того, чтобы дать Вам возможность сделать свой взнос, мы продлили действие Кампании до 7 мая.

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

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

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Уникальное Еврейское событие

Члены Общины приглашаются посетить новый вид программы, спонсором которой является Еврейская Федерация Луивилла. Во вторник, 21 мая, Вас приглашают на лекцию под названием "Уникальное Еврейское Мероприятие" "Еврейский Вид Адвокатуры" в 7 часов вечера, в Gheens Foundation Lodge, 471 W. Main St., Suite 202. Этан Фелсон, вице президент Еврейской Консультации По Гражланским Делам, представит описание необходимых шагов, необходимых для того, чтобы стать адвокатом и предлагает способы успешного лоббирования, вовлечения в политические и гражданскиу организации. Он поделится с Вами своей собственной активностью в этих областях. Вести программу будет Бэкки Руби Свэнсбург.

Наружый Бассейн ЦЕО Будет

Открыт Наружный бассейн Центра Еврейской Общины начнет свой летний сезон в 10:30 часов утра в субботу, 25 мая. Члены общины приглашаются принять участие в пикнике и получить удовольствие от плавания в бассейне.

CHAVURAT Shalom

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

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Israeli short film with Rabbi David Ariel-Joel

May 23

More American Jewish History" with Rabbi Joe Rapport

May 30

Bingo game with fabulous prizes.

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 Louis-ville, 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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nies which could only be used in the company's stores or for rent for the company's houses.

"It wasn't technically slavery, but it was pretty close," Stein said.

Current coal mining practices include mountaintop removal methods, which she said contribute to contamination of water supplies due to chemical runoff. On a visit to a community near Hazard, Stein said she heard stories of families who wouldn't bathe their children if there was an open flame nearby because the water supply had been contaminated with natural "They were afraid the water would catch on fire. Why don't we hear more about that?" she questioned.

While Senator Stein's keynote address set the stage for the rest of the day, Senior University included eight other workshops ranging from a discussion led by Rabbi David Ariel-Joel on "Obama's Visit to Israel and the Israeli Government: Is Bibi Good for the

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Jews?" to a presentation from Courier-Journal Religion Reporter Peter Smith on religion in Louisville. Topics covering ethics, "How Do I Decide? - Jewish Ethics in the Modern World" by Rabbi Gaylia R. Rooks and health, "Your Body is Your Temple: Jewish Thoughts on a Healthy Body and Lifestyle" by Natural Healthcare Practitioner and Licensed Massage Therapist Pami also drew wide interest from the more than 100 participants.

Additional workshops were "Americans Who Tell the Truth: Models of Courageous Citizens" by Michele Hemenway, "Looking Above and Beyond: Artistic Surprises in our Chapel" by Rabbi Chester B. Diamond, "Jews in Sports" by Bernard Pincus, and "Jewish Catholic Relations since Nostrae Aetate" by Rev. Joe Graffis of St. Andrews Catholic Church.

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Village Anchor Fundraiser

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VILLAGE ANCHOR

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Contact Edie Mahaffey, ext. 309.

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group Second Friday of each month at 2 p.m.

For individuals who are caring for a person with Alzheimer's or other cognitive impairment. Contact Kim Toebbe at ext. 103.

CAREER & EDUCATION SERVICES

Job Seekers Resource Group May 6 - June 17; 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

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A.C.T. Preparation Workshops Mondays and Tuesdays May 6-June 4; 7p.m.-9 p.m.

\$170 fee includes two textbooks. For more information and to register, contact Janet Poole, ext. 222.

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Through a generous grant from Northwestern Mutual, JFCS is able to provide an individualized college and career advisement program to a deserving high school student.

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The April 12 edition of *Business First* reported that Lieutenant Governor **Jerry Abramson**, former Louisville mayor, was honored with the Louisville Downtown Development Corp.'s inaugural "Visionary Award." DDC chairman Jim Allen said the city's downtown has "clearly been the beneficiary of Abramson's vision and leadership."

Mark Bush has been promoted to Head of the Southern States Business Unit for SSAB Steel in Mobile, AL, and General Manager for Mobile. Formerly Superintendent of the Cold Rolled Steel Division for SSAB, Mark has been in the steel industry for 18 years.

This year's winner of The Temple's

of the grade Holocaust Essay Contest is **Leah Goldberg**. Leah is the daughter of Steven and Najla Goldberg. Leah's name will be added to the wall plaque at The Temple, and she will receive a gift certificate. This annual award is



Leah Goldberg

made possible through the Irving and Happy Shaw Holocaust Memorial Education Fund, which was established to enhance the study of the Holocaust in The Temple Religious School.

Siera Hanks has been selected as a 2013 Governor's Scholar. Siera, a junior in the International Baccalaureate Program at Atherton High School, is the daughter of Leslie and Eric Hanks,

sister of Kaden Hanks, and grand-daughter of Brenda Bush and the late



Karmen Bush and Ric and Lyn Hanks. Heaven Hill Distilleries, Inc., the nation's largest independent family-owned and operated distilled spirits producer and the world's second-largest holder of aging Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey, celebrated filling its 6.5 millionth barrel on April 7. Heaven Hill is only the second continuously operating Bourbon producer, and the only private family-owned company, to reach the historic benchmark. Max Shapira is the president of Heaven Hill.

The University of Las Vegas Alumni Association recognized **Dr. Jean Hertzman** as the recipient of its 2013 Alumni Association Outstanding Faculty Award. This award honors faculty members who embody a commitment to excellence and demonstrate outstanding contributions to both UNLV and the public it serves. Dr. Hertzman is the daughter of James Hertzman.

Benjamin Schulman, son of Butch and Robin Schulman, is now cooking for world-renowned chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten in his restaurant, Jean-Georges at Central Park West, in Manhattan. The restaurant is ranked twelfth in the Elite Traveler World's Top Restaurant Guide and has three Michelin Stars. Ben was previously a sous chef at the Revel Resort in Atlantic City, NJ. He is the grandson of Howard and Dorothy Schulman and brother to Halle, Matthew, and Emily Schulman.

Matthew Schulman, son of Butch and Robin Schulman, was recently selected as a 2013 Kentucky Governor's Scholar. He also was selected as one of the top 40 high school basketball players in the junior class in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and was nominated by high school coaches statewide for a try-out on the All-State, All-Star Junior Basketball squad. Matt attends St. Francis DeSales Catholic High School. He is the grandson of Howard and Dorothy Schulman and brother to Benjamin, Halle, and Emily Schulman.

Rabbi Arthur Green to Deliver Lewis Memorial Lecture

abbi Arthur Green is recognized as one of the world's preeminent authorities on Jewish thought and spirituality and a nationally renowned speaker, author, and teacher of Torah. He will be speaking at The Temple during Sabbath evening services on Friday, May 17, at 7 p.m. on "A Contemporary Jewish Spirituality."

Rabbi Green will also be teaching a special Scholar-in-Residence Torah Study session in The Temple's Fishman Library on Saturday morning, May 18, at 9 a.m.

Thanks to the generosity of the Martin & Ginger Lewis Lecture Fund, both programs are free and open to the public.

Rabbi Green was a beloved professor at Brandeis University, after which he served as the Dean of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Philadelphia. He is now Rector of the Rabbinical Program at Hebrew College in Boston.

His many writings include: Radical Judaism: Rethinking God & Tradition

(2010), Seek My Face: A Jewish Mystical Theology (2003), and Your Word is Fire: The Hasidic Masters on Contemplative Prayer (1993). His talks, his lessons, and his lectures are spiritual experiences in themselves.



Rabbi Arthur Green

This is Rabbi Green's first visit to Louisville. He is traveling here in conjunction with the Center for Interfaith Relations Festival of Faiths, welcoming His Holiness the Dalai Lama to Louisville with an interfaith gathering on the theme of Compassion.

Rabbi Green will speak at the Festival on Friday, May 17, from 1-2:30 p.m. at the Galt House. His talk for the Festival is "Sacred Silence." Reservations are required and there is a \$10 fee for this public lecture. Contact the Festival of Faiths for tickets and details at http://festivaloffaiths.org.

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Dr. Mann Volunteers to Provide Dental Care with "Hearts in Motion" in Guatemala

Dr. Robert Mann participated in the "Hearts in Motion" service project in the southern region of Guatemala March 3-11, during which he worked as a volunteer dentist and provided limited emergency care. Dr. Mann's long-time friends, Bob and Dottie Lockhart, led this "Hearts in Motion" trip and were accompanied by 23 Bellarmine University student volunteers.

"My dental service trip to Guatemala was so much more than performing extractions," said Dr. Mann. "It was a life changing experience. Witnessing their culture, their contentment with what little they have; their attitude regarding infant care and the elderly, was enlightening."

"Hearts in Motion" has established more than just medical and dental facilities. Additional clinics include nutrition and physical therapy. The nutrition clinic allows the volunteers to counsel parents on proper nutrition for their infants. Many of the infants and children are underweight due to lack of



Dr. Mann in action.

a proper diet.

The care provided by all the wonderful volunteers extended beyond the clinics and into the community. Not only did Dr. Mann provide dental care, he also helped paint and pour the concrete floor for the school which "Hearts in Motion" built previously.

Dr. Mann plans to return next year with "Hearts in Motion" and students from Bellarmine University.

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AROUND TOWN

Wednesdays, May 1, 8, 22, 29, and June 6

Torah study at The Temple, 10:50 a.m., is a discussion of Scattered Fragments: The Dead Sea Scrolls, The Cairo Geniza, and the Impact of Biblical Archaeology on Understanding of Torah Today with Rabbi Joe Rooks Rapport.

Thursday, May 2

Join Hadassah for lunch at Mitchell's Fish Market, 4031 Summit Plaza Dr. The guest speaker is Barbara Goldstein, Deputy Executive Director of Israeli Hadassah. 11:30 a.m.; RSVP to Michelle Elisburg by Thursday, April 25 – meehadassah@gmail.com or 645-4739. Individuals are responsible for the cost of their own meals.

Saturdays, May 4, 11, 18, 25, and June 1

The Temple invites you to weekly Torah study at 9 a.m. Meet in the Fishman Library before the morning service to read and discuss the Torah portion of the week over coffee, bagels, and other treats.

Saturday, May 4

Join the locals at Adath Jeshurun for a Derby Shabbat, 9:30 a.m. on Derby Day. Wear your derby hats and enjoy the cool air-conditioned facilities, rain or shine. Service followed by Derby refreshments, including bourbon balls and non-alcoholic mint juleps.

Sunday, May 5

The KI Chai Institute's People of the Book...Club meets on Sunday, May 5, at 3 p.m. at Keneseth Israel to discuss The Jew in the Lotus by lauded poet Roger Kamenetz. This book is his firsthand account of a historic meeting between the Dalai Lama and eight Jewish delegates. For more information, call 459-2780 or email kicongregation@ kenesethisrael.com.

Mondays, May 6, 13, and 20

Rabbi Joe Rapport conducts a class in intermediate Hebrew in the Fishman Library at The Temple, 6-7 p.m. This is a comprehension-based program for students with a basic knowledge of the Hebrew letters and an ability to read roughly from prayers of the Bible. Contact Rabbi Rapport for further information or to enroll in the course.

From 7-8 p.m., Rabbi David Ariel-Joel leads a study of the stories of Yohanan be Zakkai. The group will study texts dealing with conflicts and situations that are familiar to our own lives.

"Kabbalat HaTorah" takes place from 8-9 p.m. in Room 172 of The Temple's Religious School with Rabbi Gaylia Rooks. This class offers ways to deepen your Jewish living and learning; if you know your Alef Bet, join this

class and prepare to celebrate.

Also from 8-9 p.m., in the Fishman Library, Rabbi Rapport leads "Basic Judaism: Jewish Beliefs," a study of the most important Jewish beliefs and ideas that are relevant to Jewish life in the 21st century.

Wednesday, May 8

The Knit and Qvell Circle at Anshei Sfard will hold their meeting on Wednesday, May 8, at 1 p.m. in the shul library. All knitted items are donated to the Jefferson County Public Schools Clothes Closet. On June 5, the group will carpool to the JCPS Clothing Assistance Center. Anyone who wants to join is welcome. Call Fran Winchell 426-4660 to reserve your place and get the details.

Friday, May 10

You're invited to Shabbat Under the Stars at Temple Shalom, Friday, May 10. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m., with services at 7 and Oneg Shabbat and bonfire at 8 p.m. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for children. Come early for the car wash - no charge, but donations are appreciated. 458-4739.

Friday, May 10 and May 17

Adath Jeshurun offers weekly Talmud Study in the office of Steve Berger, located at 500 W. Jefferson St., at 12:15 p.m. The final classes of the 2012-13 year are May 10 and May 17.

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

Saturday, May 11

Celebrate with Adath Jeshurun's Confirmation Class of 2013 at 9:30 a.m. Confirmation is a group ceremony marking the transition of a class into adulthood. At AJ, it marks graduation from 10 years of religious study. Confirmation students will lead in prayer that morning, and a kiddush luncheon will follow the service.

Sunday, May 12The KI Sisterhood invites you to its annual Mother's Day Brunch at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 12. Attendees will be treated to the debut of Cantor Sharon Hordes' new CD, The Sounds of Shabbat at Keneseth Israel; Cantor Hordes will be available to sign the CDs. Brunch costs \$12 for adults and children 12 and up, \$6 for children ages 4-11; no charge for children ages 3 and under. Reservations and checks must be received no later than Wednesday, May 8. Please call 459-2780 for the appropriate mailing address.

Tuesday, May 14

Keneseth Israel and Temple Shalom will host a joint Tikkun Leyl Shavuot, a late night of Jewish study, at KI on the first evening of Shavuot. May 14 is also the 65th anniversary of the State of Israel, so the evening will be a mix of study about ancient and modern Israel taught by the rabbis and cantors of both congregations, along with Rabbi David Feder of Louisville Beit Sefer Yachad. The evening begins at 7 p.m. with festival services, followed by a dairy dinner and study. Please RSVP no later than Friday, May 10, to 459-2780 or kicongregation@kenesethisrael.com.

Tuesday, May 14 through Thursday, May 16

Celebrate Shavuos at Anshei Sfard, with several special events. Shavuos marks the day that G-d gave the Ten Commandments to the people of Israel. It is traditional to stay awake on the eve of Shavuos to study Torah in preparation for the awesome anniversarv.

Congregation Anshei Sfard invites the community to an evening of prayer and learning on May 14, beginning at 8:30 p.m. The program will include a light dairy dinner. The evening is free but reservations are requested; call 451-3122, ext. 0, to save your seat.

On May 15, the Synagogue will read the Ten Commandments, followed by ice cream at Kiddush to remember that on Shavuos, the Jews in the desert ate dairy. On May 16, at approximately 11 a.m., the Synagogue will offer a Yiskor memorial service. All are welcome to all of these programs.

Tuesday, May 14 through Thursday, May 16

Shavuot is a harvest festival that also commemorates the the giving of the Ten Commandments to Moses and the Israelites at Mt. Sinai. Shavuot, which means "weeks," because the festival is held seven weeks after Passover. Customs include eating dairy foods and reading the Book of Ruth.

AJ's Shavuot celebration begins on May 14 at 9:15 p.m. with a creative service, dairy treats, and discussion. Shavuot worship services are on May 15-16, at 9:30 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. both Yizkor will be recited during morning worship services on May 16.

Tuesday, May 14 through Sunday, May 19

At Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer's request, the Center for Interfaith Relations is hosting a special Festival of Faiths to help prepare the community for His Holiness the Dalai Lama's visit to Louisville. See story, page 5 for more information.

Wednesday, May 15Tikkun Leil Shavuot at The Temple takes place from 9-11 p.m. with "Forgetting the Torah," a study of the true story of how Joshua lost the Torah and how he overcame the loss. Rabbi David Ariel-Joel will lead participants in examining the questions: Can we lose the Torah? What do we do when this happens?

Saturday, May 18

On Saturday, May 18, KentuckyOne will kick off monthly Walk With a Doc events at Iroquois Park, with Mayor Greg Fischer and LaQuandra Nesbitt, M.D., Louisville Metro director of Public Health and Wellness.

Walk with a Doc is a nationwide program that encourages patients to improve their health through physical activity, exercising side-by-side with their healthcare providers. Walkers can learn about important health topics, ask medical questions in an informal setting and receive free blood pressure screenings, refreshments and giveaways. To help make walking a habit, people who participate in at least three walk events receive a Walk With a Doc shirt.

Walk With a Doc events take place rain or shine at 10 a.m. every second Saturday of the month, at the Egg Lawn in Beckley Creek Park at The Parklands; every third Saturday of the month at Iroquois Park, at the shelter near the Amphitheater; and every fourth Saturday of the month at Shawnee Park, at the Southwestern Parkway entrance parking lot.

Saturday, May 18

The next Short & Sweet Jr. Congregation at AJ takes place at 10:30 a.m. in the David and Jonathan Blue Family Sanctuary. This is the last Short & Sweet service for the 2012-13 school year. Parents of children grades K-7 should email Deborah Slosberg at dslosberg@adathieshurun.com to have a part in the service assigned to their children in advance.

Saturday, May 18

AJ's Shabbat Scholars welcome David Klein, speaking on "My battle with cancer." Discussion takes place following the kiddush lunch at Adath Jeshu-

Sunday, May 19

Come to the PJ Library Tzedekah Fair and learn about tzedekah through one of PJ Library's books, Jumping Jenny - then perform mitzvot by making items to be donated to JFCS, Four Courts, the Center for Women and Families and JCC Youth Funds. JCC Children's Place, 10-11:30 a.m. Snacks and drinks provided. Please donate \$5 and bring a canned good or toiletry item. Reservation required; email Jennifer Tuvlin at jtuvlin@jewishlouisville. org or call 459-0660.

Sunday, May 19

The KI Men's Club hosts the quarterly Bowl-a-pa-louza, where teams from all five Louisville synagogues compete for the prestigious Golden Bagel. Sunday, May 19, 1 p.m. at Rose Bowl Lanes North, 2217 Goldsmith Ln.; two games, shoe rental, soft drinks, and a nosh for \$10. Children 13 and younger will have their own lanes.

Sunday, May 19

The Book Club at Congregation Anshei Sfard will meet at 11 a.m. in the shul library. Moderator Barbara Stein will lead the discussion of *The Outside* World by Tova Mirvis. Everyone is invited.

On June 23, the group will discuss Jacob's Folly by Rebecca Miller with Aya Golding moderating.

Wednesday, May 22Join the AJ Book Club for a brand new schedule of book discussions. All sessions meet at Adath Jeshurun in the Bornstein Classroom at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. New members are welcome. The book for May is *The* Jew Store by Stella Suberman; in June, the group will read The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit by Lucette Lagnado. For more information, contact Deborah Slosberg at 458-5359 or dslosberg@adathjeshurun.com.

Friday, May 31

KI invites you to "Shabbat B'Yachad: Keneseth Israel," a Shabbat service for the whole family. "B'Yachad" means "together," and together the congregation will enjoy a participatory, multi--generational evening. Appetizers sponsored by the Faye & Simmy Davis Kabbalat Shabbat Fund will begin at 5:45 p.m., followed by services at 6 p.m. For more information, e-mail programs@kenesethisrael.com or call 459-2780.

Saturday, June 1

The Louisville Vaad Hakashruth invites the community to an evening of elegant dining at the Hyatt Regency Louisville, beginning at 6 p.m. A choice of entrees includes spinach and roasted tomato stuffed chicken with tomato jus, herb roasted beef brisket with thyme sauce, cilantro-crusted salmon with lemon wine sauce, or seasonal vegetarian entrée selection.

The Chase Award will be presented to Wynn Starr Flavors, Inc. in recognition of outstanding commitment and adherence to kosher guidelines and standards. At that time, Rabbi Hillel Smulowitz, lead kosher supervisor for Wynn Starr, will be honored for his many years of dedicated service at Wynn Štarr and the Vaad.

Reserve your place by May 28 by mailing payment and choice of entrée to: Louisville Vaad Hakashruth, PO Box 5362, Louisville, KY 40255. For more information, call 451-3122, ext. 0.

Sunday, June 9

The Temple Brotherhood is hosting a day at Bernheim Forest on Sunday, June 9. All members of the community are invited. Temple member Tom Block, the great-grandson of Isaac Bernheim and a member of the Bernheim Forest Board, and forest staff are putting together activities for all ages. Participants will meet at The Temple at 9:30 a.m. The day will conclude with an ice cream social at the Visitors Center at 3 p.m. Reservations are being taken now. Please call 423-1818 for more details.

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

Birth

Julia Elizabeth Betts

Brad and Lauren Peterson Betts of Charleston, SC, are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Julia Elizabeth Betts, on February 25. Julia is the granddaughter of Carol and Gary Peterson and Andy and Beth Betts, of Raleigh, NC. Great-grand-parents are Mary Elizabeth Lloyd of Raleigh, NC, and the late Norman Fredrick Casey, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Betts of Charlotte, NC, and the late Shirlee and Stanley Baron and the late Julia and Gerald Peterson.

B'nai Mitzvah



Braydon Andrew Singer

Braydon Singer will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on Saturday, May 18, at 10:30 a.m. at The Temple. He is the son of Scott and Julie Singer

and the brother of Corey and Camdyn Singer. He is the grandson of Jackie and Neil Gilman, and Irv Singer of Solon, OH, and Linda Bez and the late Herbert Bez of West Bloomfield, MI.

Braydon is in the seventh grade at North Oldham Middle School and has been a member of Lakeside Seahawks swim team for the past 7 years. His interests include listening to music, skating, skiing, boating, wake boarding and spending time with his friends.

For his mitzvah project, Braydon will collect items for Home of the Innocents Abandoned and Abused Children & Pediatric Convalescent Care Children.

Braydon and his family invite the community to join them at this special celebration.



Melissa Sage Scianimanico

Melissa Sage Scianimanico, daughter of Erin and Chris Scianimanico and sister of Gregory and Natalie, will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Sat-

urday, May 25, at 10:30 a.m. at The Temple. Melissa is the granddaughter of Rita and David Gingold and Gloria and Joe Scianimanico. Melissa is a seventh grader at Barret Traditional Middle School, where she participates on the dance and soccer teams. Melissa has attended Goldman Union Camp Institute for the past two summers. She is very excited to return this year.

Melissa and her family invite the community to join in her bat mitzvah and kiddush luncheon following the service

Obituaries

Dena P. Glazer

Dena P. Glazer, 89, died Saturday, March 23. Mrs. Glazer was a homemaker and a lifelong member of Congregation Anshei Sfard. She was a graduate of University of Louisville



She is preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, Irvin Glazer; her parents, Harry and Rose Parris; and two brothers, Gabriel and David Parris.

She is survived by her daughters, Gayle Glazer of Los Angeles, CA, and Julie Weisser (Mark) of Cincinnati, OH; a brother, Arnold Parris (Stella) of Kansas City, KS; and her grandsons, Alex and Evan Weisser.

The family wishes to express their gratitude to Dr. Jane Cornett, the staff of Jefferson Place and to Mrs. Glazer's caregivers, Deanna Perry, Desiree Hinds, Madonna Pitney and Mary Parker for all the wonderful care they provided.

Burial was in Anshei Sfard Cemetery. Herman Meyer & Son took care of arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Congregation Anshei Sfard or donor's favorite charity.

Bernard Alan Sweet

Bernard Alan Sweet, 75, passed peacefully on April 2. He leaves behind his beloved wife of 39 years, Leni (Zucker) Sweet; his daughters from his first



marriage, Haley and Shari Sweet; and his sons, Adam Andrew and Steven Matthew Sweet.

The son of Louis and Jennie Sweet, he was born and raised in Providence, RI. After graduating from Emerson College in Boston, he served as a broadcaster, an advertising executive and a public relations director at Plymouth State College in Plymouth, NH, Fisk University and Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville, TN.

In 1974, Bernie and Leni became franchisees of Arby's Roast Beef Restaurant in Louisville, KY. He was the first president of the Louisville Arby's Advertising Co-op and served on the AFA Board. Beloved by many who knew him at the Dixie Highway store, Bernie retired in 2005, passing the store to his sons. This allowed them time to travel and volunteer for numerous organizations.

He was active with the Emerson College Alumni Association and received an award for outstanding achievement and contributions to the college. He was on the Board of The Temple, member of the Brotherhood and participated in Leadership Louisville and Leadership Kentucky.

He maintained close, personal relationships with his boyhood friends Shelley, Arthur, Norman and others. And he made the best brisket around. The family wishes to thank the nursing staff of the Transitional Care Unit at Baptist Health for their wonderful care.

Burial was in The Temple Cemetery. Herman Meyer & Son were in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts may be made to The Temple/Waller Fund or Rabbi David's discretionary fund.

Margaret Flarsheim Moseson

M a r g a ret Flarsheim Moseson, 83, died peacefully at home surrounded by her family on April 8. A lifelong Louisville resident,



Margaret was born on March 3, 1930, to Louise (Byck) and Bill Flarsheim. She cherished her family, friends, and community all of her life. She graduated from Atherton High School and attended Duke University. She married Louis Moseson on June 18, 1949. Together they provided a loving home for their four children. Later Margaret graduated from the University of Louisville and worked as a psychometrician at the Louisville Twin Study.

Margaret served on boards or in other leadership roles for National Council of Jewish Women-Louisville Section, Adath Israel Sisterhood, the League of Women Voters, and Red Cross. She volunteered at Bridgehaven, tutored elementary school children for many years, and raised money for the Louisville Fund for the Arts, the Louisville Orchestra, and the United Jewish Appeal. Margaret supported women's reproductive rights as an advocate and

clinic escort.

A wonderful gardener, cook, potter, and hostess, Margaret cared deeply for her family and friends, remaining interested and involved until her last days. She was truly a great wife, mother, relative, and friend.

Margaret was preceded in death by her parents, son Stephen, brother Flarsheim, nephew Flarsheim, and cousins Lucy Shapiro and Dann Byck, Jr. She leaves behind her loving husband of 63 years, Louis Moseson; children, Richard (Chris) Moseson, Gary (Carol) Moseson, and Carol (Mick) Savkovich; grandchildren, Stephen, Will, Hannah, and Rachel Moseson, and Kate and Peter Savkovich; sister-in-law, Lois Flarsheim, niece Claire (Eric) Levine, nephew Bill (Georgia) Flarsheim; and cousin, Betty Goodman. Margaret's husband and children wish to thank everyone who brought her so much happiness over the years and supported the family during her illness.

Donations may be made to the Louisville Orchestra, a food pantry of your choice or The Temple. May her memory be a blessing.



Evelyn Slava Steinman

Evelyn Slava Steinman, 84, passed away on April 8.

Born January 27, 1929, to Harry and Sylvia Pollack in Brooklyn, NY, she graduated from a spe-

cial high school for the visual arts and completed high school level Yiddish. In 1947, she married Robert Steinman,

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He has been described as the national point person on anti-Israel divestment initiatives in churches. Felson guided JCPA's participation in Supreme Court briefs on subjects including hate crimes, school vouchers and religious liberties.

Chair: Becky Ruby Swansburg





RSVP by May 17 to Mary Jean Timmel 238-2739 or mtimmel@jewishlouisville.org. Vaad approved option is available upon advance request by May 13.

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and supported him as he completed college by painting tole trays.

When her daughter was born, she became a homemaker and an active volunteer. The family moved to Chicago, where she was active at Beth Tikvah Congregation and served as a Sisterhood president, was active in the Wheeling, IL, Junior Women's Club and the PTA, and helped establish the first public library in Wheeling, IL. She also helped improve living conditions and education opportunities for migrant farm workers.

When the family moved to New Jersey, she was an active member of Temple Beth El and was president of a "Special Kids" support group.

In 1978, the Steinmans moved to Cincinnati, where Evelyn became a leader at Temple Sholom. She served as Sisterhood President, inaugurated the Shalom Bayit Committee, which worked to retain senior members of the congregation and edited the Temple's newsletter, Voice. When the congregation lost both its administrator and secretary at the same time, she and Robert filled the position as volunteers for

In 1984, the Steinmans began their own successful outplacement business, Robert E. Steinman Associates. Evelyn served as office manager and customer service liaison.

She also did volunteer work for SCORE and the Appalachian Council

of Cincinnati, was a volunteer assistant third grade teacher working with inner city and under-motivated children, assisted St. Mary's Church with grant writing and assisted in training VISTA volunteers to become job search counselors for people on welfare and others considered "unemployable.

The Steinmans moved to Louisville in 2009. They are members of Temple Shalom and the JCC.

Through the years, she was a Cub Scout leader, worked with disabled children, including those with Down syndrome, and was a life member of Hadassah. She was an avid gardener and loved dogs. She bred keeshonds and showed then at AKC events. One of her dogs was a U.S. and Canadian champion. She was also a dog obedience trainer.

The Steinmans celebrated their 65th anniversary in December. She is remembered as a beautiful person, who was honest and sincere.

She was preceded in death by her sons, Michael and Stuart Steinman, and her grandson, Glenn Wallace.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Steinman; her daughter and son-in-law, Shiela and David Wallace; her daughter-in-law, Bonnie Steinman; her granddaughter, Sara Wallace; her granddaughter-in-law, Carla Wallace; and two great-grandchildren, Madeline Scarbrough and Gavin Wallace.

Herman Meyer & Son handled the arrangements.

Memorial gifts may be made to Temple Shalom, 4615 Lowe Rd., Louisville, KY 40220; MAZON, 10495 Santa Monica Blvd., Ste. 100, Los Angeles, CA 90025; or ARZA, 633 Third Ave., NY, NY 10017.

Selma Epstein

Selma Epstein, 93, died Tuesday, April 9, at her home. She was a former legal secretary, a member of Congregation Adath Jeshurun and Congregation Anshei Sfard, National Council of Jewish Women-Louisville Section, Hadassah and a volunteer for Jewish Hospital for nearly 70 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Sylvia Bordy; and her brother, Lester Epstein.

She is survived by her nieces, Stacey Borowick (Kerry), Melinda Grossman (Ed) of Chicago, IL, and Janet Epstein of Seattle, WA; her nephews, Neil C. Bordy (Tonya) and Mark Epstein of Seattle, WA; her sister-in-law, Gloria Epstein; seven great-nieces; and her special friend, Barbara Christie.

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

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Churchill Park School, 435 Boxley Ave., Louisville, KY 40209, or donor's favorite charity.



Joel J. Sokoloff

Joel J. Sokoloff, 67, died Tuesday, April 16.

Born in Brooklyn, NY, he was Professor of Economics at Kentucky State University for nearly 35 years. He was

a graduate of Queens College, University of Massachusetts-Amherst and attended Rutgers University. Joel was a member of The Temple, Kiwanis Club, the Masons and the U.S. Chess Feder-

He is survived by his wife, Dr. Ann Hess; a son, David Hess; a sister, Claire Berman of Austin, TX; his mother-in-law, Sonia G. Hess; and many nieces and nephews.

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

Memorial gifts may be made to the Albert & Betty Hess G.U.C.I. Scholarship Camp Fund at The Temple or donor's favorite charity.

Evelyn J. Feingold

Evelyn J. Feingold, 97, died Thursday, April 18, at Four Courts at Cherokee Park. She was a teacher and was the first Caucasian teacher at an intercity school, teaching at Dann C. Byck Elementary School over 30 years ago. She was a member of Adath Jeshurun.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Henry Feingold; and her parents, Isaac and Bessie Vogel Jaffe.

She is survived by her daughter, Sheila Schwartz of Nashville, TN; a grandson, Mark Schwartz (Rachael); and a great-granddaughter, Sophie Schwartz.

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

Expressions of sympathy may go to Congregation Adath Jeshurun Ceme-

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Jacob M. Berdichevsky, son of Emma & Dmitry Berdichevsky

Amanda Michelle Berman, daughter of Ellyn & Greg Berman

Sydney Helene Geller, daughter of Betsey & David Geller

Hannah Esther Hubscher, daughter of Lori & Charles Hubscher

Andrea Isabelle Shpilberg, daughter of Karen & Victor Shpilberg Henry Stuart Strull, son of Julie & Greg Strull

Elana Sophie Wagner, daughter of Sara and Howard Wagner

The Temple

Erev Shavuot, Tuesday, May 14, 7 p.m.

Confirmands

Ellie Baker, daughter of Steve & Sheila Baker

Ben Bass, son of Lisa Bass & Ned Bass Emma Biggs, daughter of Judy Rosenberg & Gary Biggs

Connor Finke, son of Marianne Finke

Peyton Greenberg, daughter of Debby & Rick Greenberg Rachel Heideman, daughter of Maureen

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Sophia Humphrey, daughter of Linda & Glyn Humphrey Alyssa Kaplan, daughter of Joy & Mitchell

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Dylan Rosenberg, daughter of Bea & Alan Rosenberg Michael Schwartz, son of Barbara & Tom

Schwartz

Katie Segal, daughter of Joanne Weeter & Martin Segal

Daniel Segal, son of Joanne Weeter & Martin Segal

Gabriell Victor, daughter of Collette & Karl Victor, III

Cameron Willett, daughter of Barry Willett, Trinity Potter & the late Debbie Zukof

Temple Shalom

Erev Shavuot, Tuesday, May 14, 7 p.m.

Confirmands

Daniel Lazar, son of Maureen Sullivan Pamela Niren, daughter of Ann & Howell

Christina Stoler, granddaughter of Sandra &

Dr. Barry Stoler

D'VAR TORAH

by Rabbi Chaim Litvin

A message in light of the tragedy at the Boston Marathon.

Judaism teaches that there are three types of actions that exist in the world. Some actions are sinful such as stealing or murder. Other actions are mitzvahs such as prayer or Torah study. Then there is the third category of actions that do not fall into either category of sin or mitzvah. They are just regular everyday actions, what some might call the "gray area" of life.

Running in a marathon is certainly not a sin. On the other hand, running in a marathon does not seem to be listed in the category of Torah ordained mitzvahs. At least that is what I would have said until last Monday and the running of what will forever be remembered as the Boston

Marathon of 2013.

I went to school in Boston just a few blocks from the finish line of the marathon. The Boston Marathon is a time of great pride in that city and is probably one of the most famous marathons in the entire country.

Sadly, the joyous celebration on Patriots Day was turned into a day of pain and mourning. Yet, the good people of Boston did more than just commiserate. Hundreds of people opened their doors to allow the thousands of spectators to rest, seek refuge, have a drink or a snack, or just sit down and try to regain their composure. These hundreds and thousands of random acts of goodness and kindness changed this marathon from a regular everyday activity to a holy day of goodness.

On May 2, Louisville will host the Pegasus Parade. A parade, like a marathon, may not at first be considered a mitzvah or a sin but rather in that gray

area of life. This year Chabad will be sponsoring a float in the parade, which will remind all viewers that "random acts of goodness and kindness can change the world." I encourage people to attend the parade and to show your enthusiasm upon seeing this positive message.

This past Saturday, in synagogues and temples around the world the Torah portion which includes Leviticus 19 was read. This includes the fundamental lesson for life that we are obligated to "love your fellow as yourself."

April 28 is Lag B'Omer, a joyous day which celebrates the cessation of a plague that affected thousands of students of Rabbi Akiva in Israel in the second century. Rabbi Akiva was known to have taught that the primary lesson of all of Judaism is "love your fellow as yourself".

Traditionally, Lag B'Omer is celebrated as a day enjoyed in the fields and parks with family and friends. Chabad invites the entire community to come to Anshei Sfard Synagogue parking lot that day at 10 a.m. for a chance to enjoy some outdoor activities to celebrate Lag B'Omer and to preview the acts of goodness and kindness float.

The only way to counter act acts of evil such as those perpetrated at the Boston Marathon last week is with acts of goodness and kindness and the like. As more and more people act in this manner we change ourselves and the entire world for the better.

Candles should be lit for Shabbat on Fridays, April 26, at 8:10 p.m.; May 3 at 8:17 p.m.; and May 10 at 8:23 p.m.; for Shavuot on Tuesday, May 14, at 8:27 p.m. and Wednesday, May 15, after 9:30 p.m.; and for Shabbat on Fridays, May 17, at 8:30 p.m.; May 24 at 8:36 p.m. and May 31 at 8:41 p.m.

Editor's note: Rabbi Chaim Litvin, a local emissary of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, has volunteered to provide Torah commentaries for Community.

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Dr. Zola presents lively talk at first Uniquely Jewish event

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

lue Grass Motorsport Audi hosted and sponsored the first event of the Uniquely Jewish Event Series on Tuesday evening, April 23, and the Audi showroom on Bowling Boulevard was a wonderful location for Dr. Gary Zola's presentation on Jewish Mobility: Planes, Trains and Automobiles.

Nearly 35 people showed up for this 2013 Federation Campaign event and were treated to a fast-paced and entertaining presentation on Jewish migration patterns, wonderful hors d'oeuvres desserts and beverages

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Jewish Community of Louisville
President and CEO Stu Silberman welcomed everyone and recognized Ben
Vaughan, an active young adult member of the community who is the chair
of the Uniquely Jewish Event Series;
Vaughan introduced Dr. Zola, the executive director of the American Jewish
Archives at Hebrew Union College in
Cincinnati.

Dr. Zola, using amusing anecdotes and colorful illustrations, traced the "wandering Jew" through voluntary and involuntary travels, from Jacob's family's trek from Canaan to Egypt 3500 years ago through the present day. The diaspora began, Dr. Zola said,

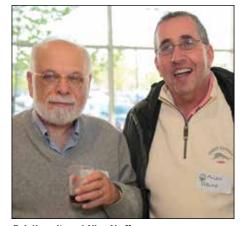
The diaspora began, Dr. Zola said, when the defeated Jewish community was carried into exile in Babylon and, after a generation and a half, when the Persian Emperor Cyrus issued the Edict of Restoration in 538 that allowed the Jews to return to Jerusalem, not all of them chose to return. In fact

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their migration continued eastward to China and India.

With the destruction of the second Temple in the year 70, the Jews were again forced into exile, and Dr. Zola traced their spread throughout the Roman Empire – through North Africa, Asia Minor and Germany. By 600, they had arrived in Spain where they thrived until 1492, when they were forced by the Inquisition to convert or leave.

From Spain, Jews settled wherever they were allowed to live and work. Dr. Zola said one of the key places was the Netherlands, which had thrown off the Catholic Church and the Spanish empire in favor of business pursuits. As the Dutch built their empire, including Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao in the Caribbean, Jews were among the settlers in these colonies. The Dutch went on to capture Brazil from the Portuguese and the Jews settled there, too. But when the Portuguese recaptured the land, they brought the Inquisition with them, sending the Jewish settlers fleeing to New Amsterdam.

These Jews were the first in the wave of Sephardic Jews who settled in North America. They established the first Jewish communities in Newport, RI; Savannah, GA; Charleston, SC; New York and Philadelphia.

The second wave of Jewish immigration was Germanic. They didn't stay on the East Coast, but chose to settle in New Orleans, the Midwest and the West Coast. The Louisville, Indianapolis and Cincinnati Jewish communities' roots can be traced to the German immigration.



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Hosts Jim and Sara Haynes, left, and Patty Vine, right with David Klein

Dr. Zola highlighted two Louisvillians in his talk – Isaac Bernheim, who worked his way from New York to Paducah as a peddler before amassing the resources to establish himself near Louisville as a distiller; and Lewis Naftali Dembitz, Louis Brandeis' uncle, who was one of the first Republicans and was the one who nominated Abraham Lincoln for president.

Lincoln's ties to Louisville's Jewish community were so strong that he was sometimes referred to here as Rabbi Abraham, Dr. Zola said.

Dr. Zola quickly skipped ahead and wrapped up his talk with a brief mention of the third wave of Jewish immigration from Eastern Europe.

When Dr. Zola talked about the Jews' arrival in New Amsterdam, he said Peter Stuyvesant was instructed by the Dutch West India Company to let the Jews settle there; he noted that one of the conditions required of the Jews is that they would take care of their own so the poor would not become a burden on the state.

He observed that that is what we continue to do today through the Federation Campaign. When he finished answering questions, 2013 Federation Campaign Chair Karen Abrams brought the event to a conclusion by encouraging people to make their pledges to the Campaign or to increase them to enable the community to continue to help Jews in need in our Partnership 2Gether region in the Western Galilee and here in Louisville.



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Herb Vine, one of the evening's hosts talked with Jewish Community of Louisville Board Chair David Klein.



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