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JCL TO HONOR AWARD WINNERS

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See story, page 5.

Campaign closes strong

New donors show support for community

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

The 2013 Annual Campaign for the Jewish Federation of Louisville has officially closed. As of today, we have received pledges of \$2,016,675. Thank you to all of you who support the Louisville Jewish community. We know there are still pledges that are in the works and these will be added to the campaign total so we might have the greatest impact possible on our community, nationally and globally.

I would like to share a few important facts about this year's campaign. We have 199 new donors this year with combined contributions of \$238,947, or an average gift of \$1,200 each. We have 'reclaimed' 178 donors who have not donated to our community campaign over the past two years. So why am I so excited about these two aspects of this year's campaign? It is very simple. In my mind, the community believes that we are moving forward and moving in the right direction.

Many of you who have contributed to this year's campaign are telling us that you want to see more and better programming and services available in our community. We hear you.

You are telling us that you like a greater variety in offerings to pique your interests. We hear you.

You are telling us that when we work see **CAMPAIGN** page 8



JHFE announces more than \$450,000 in grants

by Tiffany Fabing
Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence

The Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence (JHFE) is pleased to announce more than \$450,000 in first quarter grants to local Jewish organizations. The grants fund programs supporting Jewish education, health and human services and Jewish culture and identity.

"The Jewish Community of Louisville is truly grateful for the partnership we are building with the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence, and their willingness to work together to build a strong and thriving Jewish Community," says Stew Bromberg, JCL's vice president and chief development officer. "The JHFE grant we have recently been awarded will enable us to continue offering many of the community's essential services and programs." In addition

to enhancing community outreach programs such as Shalom Louisville and the PJ Library, JCL plans to use JHFE funds to provide scholarships for teens travelling to Israel and children attending overnight Jewish camps.

Funding from JHFE will enable Adath Jeshurun to offer the Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning this fall in collaboration with the JCL. Deborah Slosberg, Adult Education Coordinator at Adath Jeshurun, says, "We are grateful to the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence Grants Committee for their support and look forward to providing this wonderful Jewish education opportunity to our community." Program details, including class schedules and registration information will be published later this year. The entire community is see **JHFE** page 11

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GOLDSMITH DONATES PICK UP TRUCK TO JCC



Gus Goldsmith recently donated a 2006 Ford F250 pick up truck to the Jewish Community Center. The vehicle replaces an older vehicle that wasn't able to meet the JCC's needs and wasn't safe to take on the streets. The JCC is grateful for the donation, which Facility Director Brian Tabler (left) says will be used for hauling mulch, dirt, and tree limbs, picking up lumber, plowing snow and spreading salt. CenterStage will also use it for set building and towing their float in the Pegasus Parade. "Having a truck on site rather than calling people to help us will save a lot of time and money," Tabler added.

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Israeli Consul General, JCL leaders meet with Kentucky Politicians

by Matt Goldberg, Director
Jewish Community Relations
Council



Consul General
Yaron Sideman

On Sunday and Monday, April 21 and 22, our community was privileged to have a special guest in town, Yaron Sideman, consul general for the Israeli Consulate in Philadelphia. Sideman, one of nine Israeli consuls general in the United States, assumed his post less than a year ago, and he is eager to visit all of the communities in his assigned region, which includes Kentucky. Consul General Sideman was in Louisville for two occasions: First was the Night to Honor Israel, an event held at the Evangel World Prayer Center, which this year featured Christians United For Israel Executive Director David Brog. At this event, Sideman thanked those in attendance for their love and support for the State of Israel. (See story from April 26 *Community*, available at www.jewishlouisville.org) Consul General Sideman was also

in town to meet with politicians from Kentucky, and JCL President/CEO Stu Silberman and I accompanied him on his three visits while he was here in Kentucky. Our first meeting was with Cong. John Yarmuth, and Sideman's visit was well received. Sideman thanked Rep. Yarmuth for his (and Congress') continued financial support in helping Israel to maintain its qualitative military advantage. He also thanked Cong. Yarmuth for the continued pressure that the United States is placing on Iran, as U.S. supported sanctions have done much to negatively affect Iran's economy hoping that this will lead Iran to

abandon its nuclear program. We then met with Kentucky Secretary of State Alison Lundergan Grimes. Sideman gave a brief overview of the Iran sanctions program and what can be done at the state level to participate. Sec. Grimes was very receptive to the idea of enforcing the sanctions at the state level, and promised to pursue this with the State attorney general and with her colleagues around the country. Sideman explained that only through increased government and private financial pressure will Iran agree to halt its nuclear program. Our final meeting was in Frankfort, to meet with Gov. Steve Beshear and Lt. Gov. Jerry Abramson. At this meeting, Sideman emphasized all the tourist, commercial, and educational opportunities in Israel, relating how other states are beginning to foster these kinds of exchanges and partnerships. The Governor and Lt. Governor seemed very intrigued by the possibility of these kinds of exchanges, and were interested in possibly accompanying a delegation to Israel to explore further. Israel is a world leader in many industries, particularly in the high tech arena. We plan on continuing the discussion that started with this meeting by following up with state Officials from Kentucky's Cabinet For Economic Development. Consul General Sideman's meetings with these state and national officials went very well, we look forward to having the Consul General back in Kentucky many times over the course of his tenure.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Student Seeks Survey Participants

Dear Editor and Jewish Community of Louisville,

I am a Counseling Psychology doctoral candidate at the University of Louisville and I have always been interested in the intersection of psychology and religion, especially as it relates to my own Jewish foundation. There is a lack of psychological research involving large and appropriate Jewish samples and I am writing to ask for your help in completing my doctoral dissertation with a strong response.

Below is a link to an online questionnaire that explores how you define your current Jewish Identity, influences of your Jewish community, and its connections with overall personal characteristics. The only requirements for participation is that you are at least 18 years old and self-identify as Jewish, ranging from non-practicing to Orthodox. The survey will take 15-30 minutes to complete and remains completely anonymous. To thank you for your time and effort, you will be given an opportunity to enter a raffle for one of three prepaid Visa giftcards for the amount of \$100 (1) or \$50 (2). Only your e-mail address will be required, and it will not be connected to your survey responses.

Simply go to <http://tinyurl.com/JewishIdentitySurvey> to access the survey. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at jrgold05@louisville.edu. This doctoral dissertation is conducted under the supervision of Dr. Mark M. Leach (m.leach@louisville.edu) at the University of Louisville Department of Education and Counseling Psychology. Thank you for your time and hopeful participation.

Respectfully,
Jason Goldstein



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JCL Annual Meeting celebrates volunteers, achievements

The Jewish Community of Louisville invites you to join the celebration of volunteers, community service and achievement at its 2013 Annual Meeting, Monday, June 3, at 7 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center.

The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of awards. This year, Madeline Abramson will be honored for her many contributions to the Louisville community and her dedication to *tikkun olam*, the repair of the world, with the Blanche B. Ottenheimer Award. (See story, page 6.)

The success of the Louisville Jewish community in the next few years lies in the hands of the young adults and today's emerging leaders. This year, the JCL will honor two outstanding young leaders. Ben Vaughan will receive the Lewis W. Cole Young Leadership Award and Beth Salamon will receive the Joseph J. Kaplan Young Leadership Award. (See story, page 7.)

The Ron and Marie Abrams Volunteer of the Year Award recognizes an individual who is so dedicated to volunteer activities that they define his/her life. This year, the award goes to Keiley Caster, who has made the JCC's Jewish Film Festival the focus of his life. (See

story, page 10.)

The JCC's Senior Adult Department relies on a cadre of dedicated volunteers to keep people engaged, active and healthy. Sometimes the volunteers are innovators, coming up with ideas for new activities and helping the program change with the times. This year's Elsie P. Judah Award winners, Mag Davis and Teresa Barczy, challenged staff to offer seniors a trip to Washington, D.C. The tour was a rousing success. (See story, page 11.)

If the young adults are critical to the success of the community in the next few years, it is the teens who hold the key to the future. Those who are active in BBYO develop strong Jewish identities and the skills they will need to be the leaders of tomorrow. This year, the Ellen Faye Garmon Award will be presented to Maggie Rosen and the Stacy Marks Nisenbaum Award to Ben Koby.

Those teens who have been active in BBYO throughout their high school careers will receive Stuart Pressma Student Leadership Awards that include a college scholarship. They are Alanna Gilbert, Jordyn Levine, Sophie Reskin, Jacob Spielberg and Klair Spielberg. In addition, Sophie Reskin will receive the Joseph Fink Award, which also includes

a scholarship. (See story, page 14.)

The JCL and all its divisions – the Jewish Federation of Louisville, the Jewish Foundation of Louisville, the Jewish Community Center, the Jewish Community Relations Council, Hillel and *Community*, the Jewish newspaper – rely on heavily on volunteers and are grateful for their support and participation, but it also takes a dedicated and devoted staff to bring things together and make this agency the best it can be. This year, Lisa Moorman, the JCL's Human Resources Director, will be recognized with the Arthur S. Kling Award. (See story, page 12.)

The JCL Annual Meeting also offers community members an opportunity to learn about the many activities, programs and services the agency offers the community.

In addition, Board members and officers for the coming year will be elected. Those nominated are: Karen Abrams, Board chair; Jay Klempner and Joe Hertzman, vice Board chairs; Laurence Nibur, treasurer; and Angeline Golden, David Kaplan, Glenn Levine, Helene Kramer Longton and Leon Wahba to serve three-years terms as Board members.

Kosher desserts will be served. Please let the JCL know you are coming to ensure there is enough dessert for everyone. Please contact Frankye Gordon, 238-2735 or fgordon@jewishlouisville.org.

JFCS Marks 105 Years of Service to Community

Jewish Family & Career Services will celebrate its 105th anniversary on June 4, at 7:30 pm at JFCS. Board president, Debbie Friedman, will preside over the meeting and share some of her thoughts on her first year in office.

Mark Ament, chair of the Board governance committee, will announce the proposed slate of board members and officers. They include:

Nominees to be re-elected for three-year terms: Billy Altman, Laura Klein, Larry Kass, and Sean Wachsman. Nominees for first term of three years: Carlyn Altman, Ed Cohen, Janet Hodes, Diane Tobin and Stephi Wolff.

Nominees to serve as officers/at-large members of the executive committee: president, Debbie Friedman; vice presidents, Sandi Friedson and Stephanie Mutchnick; treasurer, Marty Margulis; immediate past president, Mark Ament; at-large members: Jay Klempner, Marc Charnas and Peter Resnik.

Three members will be leaving the Board: Hunt Schuster, Lance Gilbert and Shelley Breier.

The Annual Meeting will include a presentation by Louis Waterman, chairman of the Board of the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence. This fund is providing opportunities for JFCS to innovate and create new programming to better serve its clients and the Jewish community.

JFCS appreciates the vital services that volunteers give to the agency and its clients. Eleven volunteers received Presidential Volunteer Services awards this year, and they will be recognized at the meeting:

Silver: Linda Goodman and Carole Goldberg.

Bronze: Bonnie Bloom, Doug Harper, Frankie Bloom, Jan Glaubinger, Lisa Rothstein-Goldberg, Sidney Katz, Sue LaSalle, Tami Penner and Sue Ament.

It has been five years since the agency's 100th anniversary celebration. Jay Klempner will be recognized for leading the organization's "For Generations to Come" endowment campaign, and

see JFCS page 7

Thank-you tea planned for Lions of Judah and Pomegranates June 30

The 2013 Federation Campaign has come to a close.

In appreciation of their generosity and commitment, all members of the Lion of Judah and Pomegranate Divisions are invited to a traditional afternoon tea and flower arrangement demonstration by Nanz and Kraft Florists on Sunday, June 30, at the home of Campaign Chair Karen Abrams.

Vaad-approved options are available upon advance request; deadline June 14.

RSVP to Mary Jean, mjtimmel@jewishlouisville.org or 238-2739 by June 21.

Lions of Judah make a minimum commitment of \$5,000 to the Annual Federation Campaign and Pomegranates make a commitment of \$1,500-4,999.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Now through JUNE 11 Patio Gallery Exhibit

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

MAY 25

JCC Outdoor Pools Open

10:30 a.m. Bring a picnic lunch.

MAY 30

JFCS M.O.S.A.I.C. Awards

Honoring international Americans who have made significant contributions to their professions and community. 5 p.m. reception and Micro Business Showcase; 6:30 p.m. dinner and program. At the Henry Clay. \$125 per person; \$1,500 per table. For reservations, call 452-6341.

June 2

Partnership Mission Meeting

5:30-6:30 p.m. at the JCC. Ready to pack your bags for Israel? Enjoy an Israeli wine tasting and learn more about the Sept. 21-Oct. 1 Partnership Mission. For more information, call 238-2779.

June 3

JCL Annual Meeting

Jewish Community of Louisville Annual Meeting, Monday, June 3, 7 p.m. at the JCC. The following awards will be presented: Blanche B. Ottenheimer Award,

Madeline Abramson
Lewis W. Cole Young Leadership Award,
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Sophie Reskin, Alanna Gilbert, Klair
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Joseph Fink Award, Sophie Reskin
Officers and Board members will be
elected. Desserts will be served.

RSVP to Frankye Gordon, fgordon@jewishlouisville.org. See stories about the award winners, starting on page 1.

JUNE 3-7

JCC Pre-Summer Camp

Register by the day. Sports, art, swimming and more. See ad, CenterPiece page 2.

June 4

JFCS Annual Meeting

Join Jewish Family & Career Services at its Annual Meeting, Tuesday, June 4, 7:30 p.m. at its Roth Family Center. The agency will celebrate a year of achievement, present 11 Presidential Volunteer Services Awards and the Mary Gunther Award. Desserts will be served.

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 jccclouisvillecamp.org. See story, page 2.

JUNE 24

Republic Bank Golf Challenge

at Standard Country Club. Golf Challenge check-in begins at 10:30 a.m. Shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Round robin mixed doubles Tennis Tournament begins at 9:30 a.m. Duplicate Bridge and Canasta Tournaments, 1-5 p.m. See story, CenterPiece page 1.

JUNE 30

The PJ Library Book Reading

10-11 a.m., JCC. Read *The Littlest Pair* and make a bird feeder. Explore taking care of animals, being nice to each other and words can hurt. RSVP to jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org or 238-2719.

JUNE 30

Lion of Judah/Pomegranate Appreciation Tea

3-5 p.m. at the home of Karen Abrams. Traditional tea and flower arranging demonstration by Nanz and Kraft. See story, page 5

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Madeline Abramson receives the Blanche B. Ottenheimer Award

by Phyllis Shaikun,
Freelance Writer

“If you want something done, ask a busy person to do it. The more things you do, the more you can do.”

That old adage is certainly personified in Madeline Abramson, this year's recipient of the Blanche B. Ottenheimer Award to be given by the Jewish Community of Louisville at its Annual Meeting on June 3, 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center. Like Ottenheimer, Abramson has been a dedicated and effective leader in the social development of our community. Since 1960, the annual award has been presented to a litany of distinguished individuals, including her husband, Kentucky Lieutenant Governor Jerry Abramson, who have been recognized for their dedication to the entire community.

“I am honored and humbled to be given an award named in memory of a person who cared so much about the community,” said Abramson. “I don't feel that I have accomplished any more than others, but I have done what I could because I felt it was the right thing to do. I became involved in the organizations I did because I believed in their missions.” The hardest part for her, she admits, has been moving on once her time with a particular board has ended.

Abramson, a graduate of the University of Louisville (where she served as a student government senator), notes that although she took accounting courses in college, everything she learned about budgets and financial matters was as a result of her activities with not-for-profit boards.

She recalls that when she was first married 24 years ago and became the mayor's wife, people asked what her

“hot-button issue” would be. Rather than adopting a single focus, however, she felt it was her responsibility to determine out how best to make a difference. She began by participating in a broad spectrum of volunteer activities to draw attention to the good things Louisville has to offer, and her positive influence over the past quarter-century has been felt throughout our community.

Recently reappointed to the Kentucky Commission on Women for a second three-year term, Abramson will serve as the panel's chairwoman. She currently chairs the Kentucky Center Board and also serves on the boards of Kentucky's Prichard Commission for Academic Excellence and the Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's Foundation. For more than 22 years, she has sat on the Maryhurst organization's board and served two terms as board chair. She twice chaired the board of the American Red Cross Louisville Area Chapter and still serves on its executive committee.

In addition, she is an advisory board member of the Governor's School for the Arts; chaired Spalding University's Adult Accelerated Program Advisory Council and has been a member of the Clifton Cultural Center board for 15 years. She is a past member of the boards of the Louisville Ballet, Stage One: The Louisville Children's Theatre and the Discover Louisville Orchestra Board. The Abramsons contributed their time and financial support to the first Women's Habitat House in Louisville.

Also active in the Jewish community, Abramson's leadership roles include heading the Federation Annual Campaign's Major Gifts Division; co-chairing the Lion of Judah event; and sitting on the boards of the Jewish Community of Louisville and the National Council of Jewish Women, Louisville Sec-

tion, where she currently serves as the group's secretary. She has also served on the Boards of Jewish Family & Vocational Service (today Jewish Family & Career Services) and the Louisville Hebrew School (today Louisville Beit Sefer Yachad).

Often honored for her efforts, she is a past recipient of the Hannah Solomon Award from NCJW and received an honorary doctoral degree in public service from Spalding University. She has garnered many other well-deserved awards including the Ira J. Porter Award from the American Red Cross, the Volunteer Fund Raiser of the Year Award from the National Society for Fund Raising Executives and Metro United Way's Leadership Award. She was named a Caritas Foundation Community Leader of the Year, was recognized as a Citizen Laureate by the Younger Women's Club of Louisville and was inducted as an honorary member of the University of Louisville's Golden Key National Honor Society. The Center for Women and Families feted Abramson as a Woman of Distinction last year and she has received both the Women 4 Women Heart of the Community Award and Metro United Way's Agency Leadership Award for her work with Maryhurst.

A strong believer in parents “modeling their behavior for their children,” Abramson remembers taking her son, Sidney Robert, now a junior at Bellarmine University, with her to the Red Cross Canteen and to Maryhurst to volunteer. “Both Jerry and I feel it is important to act on your interests,” she says, “and we find ways to include Sidney in what we do so he can see first-hand what matters to us. Because of Jerry, I have had the chance to spend considerable time in local schools talking to children about their role in the community. I also encourage parents to motivate their chil-



Madeline Abramson

dren to volunteer.”

On reflection, she credits her father, Jack Malloy, with spurring her toward public service. “If you are not part of the solution,” he used to say, “then you are part of the problem.” Abramson is impressed that people like Blanche Ottenheimer had such a great sense of teamwork and community. “She knew she did not have to do all the work herself,” Abramson noted, “she recruited others to work with her. That's how you get things done.”

RSVP by May 29 to Frankye Gordon, 238-2735 or fgordon@jewishlouisville.org.

Members of the Ottenheimer Awards Committee were Chairperson Robert Kohn, past president of the Jewish Community Center; Cynthia Knapek, Leadership Louisville Center; Cantor David Lipp, Louisville Board of Rabbis and Cantors; Jennifer Mackin, CEO of the Oliver Group; Don McClinton; the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence; Michael Shaikun, Jewish Federation past president; Stu Silberman, JCL president & CEO and Leon Wahba, past chairperson of the Jewish Community Relations Council.

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Salamon, Vaughan to receive young leadership awards

by Art Hoffman, Freelance Writer

The Jewish Community of Louisville announced the recipients of its 2013 Young Leadership Awards to be presented at its Annual Meeting, Monday, June 3, at 7 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center.

Beth Salamon will receive the Joseph J. Kaplan Young Leadership Award and Ben Vaughan, the Lewis W. Cole Memorial Young Leadership Award.

Beth Salamon – Joseph J. Kaplan Young Leadership Award

Years ago, First Lady Rosalynn Carter profoundly observed that “a leader takes people where they want to go. A great leader takes people where they don’t necessarily want to go, but ought to be.” If her words resonate with you, then you can appreciate the challenges that a “great” leader would face. In their own distinctive styles, both Salamon and Vaughan demonstrate that capacity.

Originally from Philadelphia, Salamon received her law degree from Temple University, after undergraduate work at the University of Maryland. Her professional life extended to both coasts, with a clerkship for the Family Court in Wilmington, DE, and then working for the Legislative Council in Sacramento, CA, where she drafted legislation.

She arrived in Louisville about seven years ago and hit the ground running. This was an easy transition to make, though, since she stated that the Jewish community was so welcoming to them upon arrival. Experiencing that meant a great deal to her since she had not been particularly active in any Jewish community before moving here.

During the past few years, she has served as the chair of Jewish Family and Career Services’ Family Mitzvah Committee, participating in the annual Hanukkah Helpers program among others.

Together with her physician husband, Michael, she co-chaired the Ben Gurion Society. Additionally, she has shared her talents with the National Council of Jewish Women as well as JFCS.

As she put it, smiling warmly, “I don’t say no to anyone.”

As a member of the Jewish Community Relations Council, she was invited with others to meet with Kentucky’s Sen. Rand Paul in late January to discuss several topics, including the United States’ support for Israel.

During a visit to Sen. Mitch McConnell’s office with NCJW two years ago, she exchanged views with staff about the Lily Ledbetter Fair Pay Act.

She welcomed these opportunities, which strengthened her convictions about the need for political activism to effect change. However, she is pragmatic in her approach. Half joking, half serious, she said, “We won’t be invited back if we are too obnoxious. So we leave information and hope that the dialogue continues.”

Taking the long view in her outlook on how positive change takes place, she concludes: “the key is to educate folks one person at a time; none of this happens overnight.”

When asked about her passion for community service, her overarching philosophy is clear: “If I don’t do it, who will?” Her urgency is heightened by awareness that due to the recession, the need for services has expanded and funds are less available. “The divide is getting greater,” she said, “and it is up to me and my generation to take on a greater role.” Inspiring words indeed, from this leader with a view of where we “ought to be.”

Raising their two sons Alex, 11, and Jack, eight, has allowed her to serve as a room parent for their classes and other



Beth Salamon

school related activities.

The Salamons are members of The Temple, where she was on the 50/50 Raffle Committee. She also serves on the Collegiate Gala Committee.

She is quick to acknowledge that getting things accomplished requires the collective work of all the people in the community, and in particular, other volunteers who have assisted her. It is for that reason that she is especially grateful to be singled out for this recognition. “Given the warmth and support shown me since arriving in Louisville, I am very happy to be able to give back to this community. Thank you for this award.”

Ben Vaughan – Lewis W. Cole Memorial Young Leadership Award

Meeting Benjamin Vaughan for the first time, it is easy to see how he is an ideal candidate to receive the Lewis W. Cole Award. Two traits immediately emerge: a quick analytical mind and an engaging affability. It’s not difficult to imagine then how individuals of all ages would be drawn to him in a leadership role.

He explained that much of who he is today is due to his parents’ influence. “They raised me to question, to challenge authority, so I guess my propensity for ‘rocking the boat’ stems from that.” Vaughan related examples of interactions with college professors which, though cordial, underscored his belief that “others demonstrate/exhibit the same level of respect they wish to receive.”

Assertiveness came in handy even earlier in his educational development when he found himself to be the only Jewish student in his elementary school. “Fortunately, though, my teachers and principal were generally supportive.”

His first experience with anti-Semitism occurred while attending high school in Bowling Green, KY. Again, he found resources to help cope: meeting on a weekly basis in Nashville, he was part of a group of similarly situated students (the only Jew in their respective schools).

Clearly, his solidarity with others of the Jewish faith began early. And it continued throughout college when he attended the University of Louisville, pursuing bachelor’s and master’s degrees in

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updates will be given on its success and growth.

The annual meeting provides the opportunity to thank the JFCS staff for their efforts and the excellent services they provide. This year, a special presentation will be made to Marilyn Bornstein, who is retiring from JFCS after 22 years. In addition, the Mary Gunther Award for best program of the year will be awarded.

Please join the Board and the staff of JFCS in celebrating the agency’s 105th year of service to this community. Desserts will be served after the meeting.



Ben Vaughan

electrical engineering.

While at U of L, he was active in Hillel and served as its representative on the JCL’s Jewish Community Relations Council. Moreover, he was a campus volunteer for the JCL’s Annual Campaign. Hillel also afforded him the opportunity to attend the Spitzer Institute, a convention for college students that is run in conjunction with the Jewish Council for Public Affairs Plenum. He also conducted Israel advocacy both on campus and in the community.

Once college was behind him, and after some extensive world travels, he returned to Louisville and began to participate in the Jewish Federation’s Young Adult Division. Supporting the Annual Campaign every year as well as coordinating the call center for Super Sunday in 2007 round out his involvement.

After several years of participating with the Campaign, Vaughan recognized a need for creating some new kinds of events. He came to the Federation staff with several ideas and they became the seeds for the Uniquely Jewish Event Series. Vaughan chaired the

first event in the series in April, during which the director of the American Jewish Archives, Dr. Gary Zola, spoke about Jews and Mobility. The event was hosted and sponsored by Blue Grass Motor-Sport Audi.

In responding to receiving this award, Vaughan is grateful though eager to point out that “all my activities have been because there is a need and I want to help ensure that need is fulfilled. So, it is nice to know that others notice and acknowledge my contributions even if I don’t seek such public recognition for them.”

Because of his background, he was also asked to embellish upon two specific aspects. Noting that he was a Boy Scout and earned the rank of Eagle Scout, it was interesting to get his views on the controversy surrounding gay Scout leaders. Vaughan recommended the Boy Scouts get with the times and modernize their approach, and no longer use an individual’s orientation as a disqualification from serving as Scout leader.

The second, in keeping with this young man’s progressive views and quest for inclusivity, dealt with some of his world travels and discussions with residents of each country. He said of his time in India, “females were not as approachable as males were because of cultural taboos/standards. India has come a long way socially but still has a long way to go before there is true equality of the sexes. Plus there was an obvious lack of social outlets, like cafes, from which so much of Western dialogue/ideology has emerged.”

Readers will recall that in *Fiddler on the Roof*, Tevye anguished about when to uphold tradition and when to challenge it. It’s evident that Vaughan enjoys walking the same path.

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Larry Shapin and King David Society Chair Joe Hertzman



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Ralph Green, Shellie Branson and Frank Weisberg

by Shiela Steinman Wallace,
Editor

The members of the King David Society are committed to the success of the Louisville Jewish community, each investing a minimum of \$25,000 in the community through the Annual Federation Campaign.

To thank these individuals and to encourage others to join their ranks, the Jewish Federation of Louisville invited them to an exclusive evening of local art and the opportunity to meet some of the artists who created the pieces.

Larry Shapin and Ladonna Nicolas graciously opened their home and hosted this unique event on Thursday, April 25. Those who attended were treated to a spectacular evening. Each room, while designed to serve a traditional function – bedroom, kitchen, bathroom, etc. – doubled as a magnificent gallery showcasing a wide variety of artistic creations all created by local artists.

Each piece has its own story, which the artists who were there told. Shapin and Nicolas freely shared the stories behind others.

King David Society Chair Joe Hertzman, 2013 Federation Campaign Chair Karen Abrams and Jewish Community of Louisville Board Chair David Klein each spoke briefly. They thanked Shapin and Nicolas for graciously opening their home and hosting the event and the



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harder to find dedicated and committed volunteers to help make all these wonderful changes now and in the future, that you are interested in being a part of the bigger picture. We are very glad to hear you.

I also extend thanks to some of our donors who have supported our efforts through the awarding of grants to help us fulfill our mission this year.

Our special thanks to the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence for their support of our seniors, teens, community outreach programs, annual campaign and events, and also for helping us upgrade our donor management system and our website.

We would also like to thank MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger, which is a national nonprofit organization working to end hunger in the United States and Israel. Their generous contribution is helping us continue to provide nutritious senior meals and to support our hunger advocacy efforts.

A special thanks goes out to the Kentucky Arts Council for their support of the JCC Senior Adult Program's Accessible Art Project, which will allow us to expand our ability to ensure our seniors have the means to attend cultural and visual art events, projects, museums and performances not only here, but throughout the community.

Thanks, too, to Jewish Teen Funders Network for their support of the Louis-



Larry Shapin and Ladonna Nicolas

King David Society members for their support and leadership.

Hertzman singled Karen Abrams out for high praise. This year she served as Campaign chair and next year will be Board chair. He also praised her for the leadership role she took in the merger process and her continued efforts to move the JCL forward.

He also called on those present to continue to give and to increase their giving. "It's about more than the Campaign," Hertzman said. "It's about the community."



Cheryl and David Karp

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ville JCC Summer Camp – Camp Tik-kun Olam Repairing the World Teen Foundation, which will enable a group of teens to explore Jewish, personal and family values related to giving by reviewing grant proposals from non-profit organizations and awarding grants of a minimum of \$1,000 to selected non-profit organizations. With the theme "Think Outside the Tzedakah Box," the teens will conduct site visits, engage in a consensus-based grant-making process guided by Jewish texts, traditions and values and award the grants. JTFFN has been offering this program for three years at overnight camps. Louisville is piloting the program for day camps and is the first enrolled in the program.

There are many other grant makers who have contributed to the over \$400,000 we have raised this year in grants, and we thank you all.

Together we do extraordinary things. I have repeated this phrase in every article, letter and editorial I have written over the past year. This is not just a marketing phrase, but rather an expression of my passion for this community. My passion to see everyone more involved and engaged in all we do; my commitment to provide you with a community that you can be proud of and a community you want to share with others. Please join me as together we do extraordinary things. Be a part of the bigger picture, and help us shape the future.

Thank you for your support of our community.

Israeli chef teams up with Rye chef and staff to create special brunch

by Shiela Steinman Wallace,
Editor

When Louisville's Partnership 2Gether Committee, chaired by Jon and Laura Klein, learned that four visionaries were coming to the Western Galilee and renowned Chef Uri Jeremias was among them, they came up with an idea for a very special program. Working with Rye on Market owner Michael Trager Kusman, Chef Tyler Morris and General Manager Erin MacDonald, they put together a spec-

tacular tasting brunch, Farm to Table: Israel to Louisville that the two chefs collaborated to create.

The event at Rye's on April 28 sold out quickly. The diverse crowd that filled the dining rooms expected a sensational experience, and they were not disappointed.

The two chefs presented a seven-course meal of small bites, each one artfully presented and prepared. The total experience offered a wide range of tastes, textures and aromas.

Course one was white asparagus and Nori goat cheese on marble rye. Next came snapper ceviche with caper, lemon red onion and olive. That was followed by salmon sashimi with wasabi sorbet and soy sauce presented on a shell nestled in a bed of salt. The warm, bright yellow coconut-curry fish soup with cilantro, basil and lime arrived at the table in small, clear glasses.

Hawaiian ono with kiwi, mascarpone and hazelnut was presented to each table on wooden boards from which each diner selected one treat. Course six was wahoo a la plancha mejadra with cilantro-chile sauce, and desert was choco-

late cremeux with dried bing cherry and almond.

Jon and Laura Klein presented a brief overview of the Partnership and introduced Chef Jeremias and the other visiting Partnership visionaries (see story, page 12).

Chef Jeremias said he started cooking as a hobby when he was young and later decided to make it his profession. He said Israel's food and beverage industry is changing and maturing. The country now has many good new restaurants and a thriving wine industry. The Western Galilee, Louisville's Partnership region, has a lot of quality products to offer, he said, including fruits, vegetables, spices and wine.

He expressed the hope that the morning's brunch would "start a snowball to roll" and that he would see "all of you in Israel" at his restaurant, Uri Buri, in Akko.

Jon Klein thanked Chef Morris, Erin MacDonald and Michael Trager Kusman.

Farm to Table was a Jewish Community Center event supported by the Jewish Federation of Louisville.



Chef Uri Jeremias and Chef Tyler Morris



Partnership Chairs Jon and Laura Klein



A server at Rye brought out the first course



Ralph Green and Shellie Branson



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Matt, Elana and Charles Bessen, Cantor David Lipp and Rabbi Laura Metzger

Caster Named Ron & Marie Abrams Volunteer of the Year

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

Most of us volunteer to do a few things each year for our congregations, the Federation Campaign, the Jewish Community Center, Jewish Family & Career Services, Jewish Council of Jewish Women, Metro United Way, our children's schools or one or two favorite nonprofit organizations. And most of us are so busy with the daily responsibilities of jobs, family, friends, etc., that one or two volunteer projects a year is all we can manage.

There are, however, a few of us for whom volunteering is much more than an occasional endeavor. In fact, it is a way of life. Keiley Caster is one of those dedicated volunteers, and he has chosen to devote so much of his time to the Jewish Film Festival that he has been chosen as the Jewish Community of Louisville's Ronald and Marie Abrams Volunteer of the Year. He will receive his award at the JCL's Annual Meeting, Monday, June 3, at 7 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center.

"I'm really surprised" to receive this award, Caster said. When other people

win awards, they often say other people are deserving of the award and they represent the others. "I used to think they were just talking, but now I understand. "I love and enjoy the Film Festival to the point where it's not work," he said. "There are so many people on the committee who contribute and do things, and I just say, 'that's a great idea,' but I'm getting the award. I'm really humbled by it."

Caster was not always a passionate volunteer, although he has always been interested in the audio/visual media. As a student at the University of Missouri, he was studying radio and television, but not journalism, and about two semesters before graduation he realized how difficult it would be for him to find a job in his chosen field.

At the time, the war in Vietnam was winding down and Caster was planning to get married. He knew he needed a reliable job, so he joined ROTC. "From there," he recounted, "I went into quartermaster because it was in food management and I had worked in restaurants [Baskin Robbins] during high school." He eventually landed a job in the commissary.

While that worked out well for him and he wanted to continue to work in the commissary, he realized he couldn't do it and stay on active duty because all stateside commissaries are run by civilians. So he left the service and became a civilian employee of the Department of Defense, and after working in a couple of other stores, landed at Ft. Knox where he worked for 25 years.

Caster retired in 2006, and then the fun began.

"My wife and I were friends of the Goldens," he said, "and Angeline was chair of the Jewish Film Festival Committee at the time. One of the things we did when we socialized with the Goldens was go to movies, and she asked me if I was interested in joining the committee. I said yes."

That was just the beginning. A couple of years later, when Golden was ready to give up the chairmanship, she asked Caster to take the reigns. "I was really hesitant," he said. "I had been in management and liked being a worker."

Golden, he said, "let me get in the water slowly instead of diving in" and agreed to co-chair the committee with him for a year. That was all it took.



Keiley Caster

Committee members all work hard, viewing about 50 films, meeting to compare notes and choose 10-12 each year. They also line up sponsors and help with the publicity – putting up posters and spreading the word.

"I fell in love with the Film Festival," he said. "It is fantastic. The committee is wonderful and so many members of the committee contribute vital things that make me look good."

Caster is particularly appreciative of Marsha Bornstein's "hard work in finding the films we show and actually doing the difficult administrative things like finding the venues and doing the real leg work."

A couple of years ago, Caster continued, Louis Levy, one of the founders of the Jewish Film Festival, suggested that the festival needed a logo and Levy saw to its creation. Caster was lukewarm to the idea at first, but has come to feel that it has really helped the festival with publicity, merchandising and getting people to come to the shows. "I fell in love with it," he said, and has purchased "t-shirts and hats and all kinds of stuff."

Things don't always run smoothly. Caster recalled having technical problems with a Jewish Film Festival film that was being shown at Adath Jeshurun. "If Mike Furey [a committee member] hadn't been there, it would have been a total disaster," he said. "He's a computer expert and he played with it for two minutes, and like magic the film went on. If he hadn't been there, who knows what would have happened."

The Film Festival is also a source of innovation, moving the JCC forward, Caster explained proudly. The Film Festival was the first JCL program to sell tickets online.

This year, it also introduced The Square, a device that is used with a smart phone to simplify credit card transactions at the theater. He credits committee member Pami with bringing this advance to the committee. "Prior to The Square, credit card transactions were tedious and time consuming," he said. With The Square, transactions can be handled in seconds.

In addition to his work with the Jewish Film Festival, Caster ushers at Actors Theatre of Louisville. He's a member of the Jewish Community Center and The Temple and vice president of its Brotherhood.

He also enjoys watching his grandchildren.

Caster and his wife of 40 years, Sharon, have a daughter, Dawn Caster, a nephrologist at the University of Louisville, who is married to Justin Cartwright, and they have two grandchildren Noah, 4, and Caleb, 1.

The Casters also had a son, Ryan Caster, who died tragically in a motorcycle accident in 2001.

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Teresa Barczy, Mag Davis share Elsie P. Judah Award

by Dianna Ott, Freelance Writer

This year, the Jewish Community Center's Elsie P. Judah Award will be presented to two individuals, Mag Davis and Teresa Barczy, who are volunteers for the Center's Senior Adult Program.

"God must have been looking down on us when Mag and Teresa began to volunteer," said Senior Adult Director Diane Sadle. "They are the most wonderful, most caring women ... words can't describe how lucky we are to have them."

The two women had participated in the Senior Citizen's East program but when that program discontinued its daily lunch program several years ago they both began casting about for someplace new.

"One lady had a list of names of people who needed a new place to go, and that's how we got started here," said Barczy. "We found out about the Senior Adult Program at JCC but thought 'they won't take us, we're not Jewish.' But we called anyway and they told us to bring the whole group here."

Only three from that original list are left in the group, including Davis and Barczy, who are actively involved with all aspects of the program.

"The minute I walked in I knew this place was different because of the way you're greeted by everyone," Davis said. "It's like coming home when you come here."

"Mag and Teresa were the ones who suggested our trip to Washington, D.C.



Teresa Barczy and Mag Davis

in March," said Sadle. "They got everyone excited and signed them up." Twenty-three senior adults plus Sadle and Program Director Slava Nelson spent four days touring monuments, historic sites and museums.

Davis moved to Louisville to be near her son, Jerry, after he graduated medical school. That was 16 years ago, a year before granddaughter, Lily, now 15, was born. Actively engaged in Lily's upbringing, she was born in Georgia and lived in Cleveland before relocating to Louisville.

Davis is also an avid gardener who grows tomatoes, watermelon and other plants.

"I've planted peanuts and even cotton in pots near my door," remarked Davis. "Lily loved to pick the cotton bolls and play with them, when the squirrels didn't take them." She was asked to help in this summer's garden project at JCC and will bring heirloom tomato plants she's started from seed to add to the gar-

den. "I'd love to live on a farm someday," Davis said.

Barczy traveled the world with her husband, Albert, now deceased, who was a master sergeant in the U.S. Army. A native of the Philippines, she, her husband and three children lived in Germany, Thailand, Okinawa and other regions of Japan - wherever her husband's assignments took them. The family moved to the U.S. in 1951.

"It was so good for the children to live in so many places," said Barczy. "They received a very different education because of that." Daughter Kathy Bruggerman lives in Arizona, as does her son Mark. Daughter Johnnie Sparks is living in Lexington, KY.

staff members to national professional conferences and provide support to community seniors. According to JFCS Executive Director Judy Freundlich Tiell, "Emergency funds for seniors are an essential ingredient in ensuring that our seniors, still living in the community, do so safely with the supports that they need. Many seniors cannot afford these services, and the monies from the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence allow all seniors to live independently but safely enriching their quality of life."

A JHFE grant funded transportation for a High School of Jewish Studies trip to the Cincinnati Museum Center's Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit. "As the High School of Jewish Studies budget is small, grants such as the one provided by the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence makes it possible for use to expand our offerings for our students in a way that still keeps us on budget for the year," said Principal Lisa Goldberg.

For more information about the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence, please contact their office info@jewishheritagefund.com or 365-3209.

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encouraged to participate.

Rabbi David Ariel-Joel expressed appreciation for JHFE's continuing support of The Temple. "Jewish tradition puts an emphasis on honoring the elders in our midst and caring for them, and we are grateful that the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence is supporting this great mitzvah so generously by giving us a grant to help our caring committee bring treats and gifts to our members in nursing homes and members that are home bound, and help us care better for members in need of support from the congregation, especially during holidays and special events," he said. JHFE grant funding will also allow The Temple to present Israeli films to the community. Nine film showings are currently planned for 2013 and will be open to the entire community free of charge.

Jewish Family and Career Services will use funds granted by JHFE to send

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HR Director Lisa Moorman named Kling Award winner

by Shiela Steinman Wallace,
Editor

Volunteers are truly the lifeblood of the Jewish Community of Louisville, but it is the staff, many of whom work unseen behind the scenes, who ensure that all the details that make things run smoothly are addressed.

Recruiting and retaining the best people to work for the community is a real challenge. At the JCL, Human Resources Director Lisa Moorman is the person who makes that happen. She handles everything from helping with the search for talented, dedicated staff members to managing payroll, benefits and much more. And Moorman is the 2013 Arthur S. Kling Award winner.



Lisa Moorman

Keeping up with a staff of 270, making sure their needs are met, their questions are answered, open jobs are filled with the right people and everyone's paperwork is in order is a huge job, but Moorman handles it easily with a calm demeanor and a smile.

Many HR-related inquiries she gets require research, so she says, "I often

don't give an answer right away, but say, 'I'll get back to you.'"

Moorman is also a go-to person for many unrelated questions. She's been with the agency for so many years, people just assume she knows the answer. "I'm glad to be helpful. I love to do it and I like meeting all the employees."

"A lot of times," she observed, "people just want me to listen and often they figure out what they want to do or need to do without much from me. I take pride in the fact that people do feel comfortable with me. I feel they can trust me and any information I have or obtain is held in confidence".

Moorman came to Louisville 16 years ago from Aurora, CO, and joined the staff of the Jewish Community Center as the administrative assistant in the Development Department. After a couple of years, she moved into the Finance and Accounting Department, where she is today. Her initial duties there were for payroll, and as the agency grew and change, so did her responsibilities. Over time, she has helped shape her human relations job.

Working in the nonprofit arena was not new to Moorman. Prior to coming to Louisville, she spent seven years working as administrative assistant, business office and plant coordinator for Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Colorado.

She also had prior business experi-

ence at car dealerships and an insurance agency.

Originally from Louisville, Moorman moved to Denver when she got married. Her sons, Ben and Brandon Mellick, were born in Denver. When she divorced, she decided to return to Louisville and landed the job at the JCC before her return. "Because of my experience with Bingo in the non-profit world, Frankye [Gordon] said, 'We need to get her here.'"

"It was perfect place for me to be as single mom," Moorman continued, "because of what the agency had to offer with the flexibility and benefits. I guess that's why I stay - the flexibility - and I'm comfortable."

Although Moorman says she doesn't like change, she's had to deal with a lot of change over the years. She has worked with four executives and five chief financial officers, seen numerous staff changes, made six office moves and helped with the merger of the JCC and the Jewish Community Federation to form the JCL.

"The job has had its ups and downs," she said, "but in the long run, this is where I need to be and I'm sure I'll be here for quite a while - probably until I retire."

Twelve years ago, she remarried. Her husband, Chris Moorman, is retired from the Police Department and now works part time for the Sheriff's De-

partment. In addition to her sons, she has two step-daughters, Shelby and Marissa Moorman. In addition, her son, Ben, has married and he and his wife, Jessica have three children: twins Baron and Roman Mellick and Zach Schumacher.

When she's not on the job, Moorman and her husband like to travel and enjoy participating in Renaissance Fairs around the country. Donning period costumes, often in the company of friends they blend in with the crowds, checking out the booths and shows, listening to the music and enjoying the food.

They also enjoy baseball and are Bats season ticket holders.

Moorman says she was shocked and speechless to learn she was this year's Kling Award recipient. "I've seen the award given to staff over the years, but never expected it myself. When Sara [Wagner], Stu [Silberman], Ed [Hickerson] and Stew [Bromberg] came to my office I was completely floored."

The award comes with an education stipend. Moorman plans to use it to attend a Jewish Community Centers of North America (JCCA) conference for HR professionals in June so she can keep abreast of changes in her field. In addition, she has often thought about going back to the University of Louisville to complete the degree she started long ago. This award may enable her to do so.

Israeli visionaries connect with Louisvillians, share their passions

by Shiela Steinman Wallace,
Editor, and Ben Goldenberg,
Marketing Director

Over the years, the connection between the Louisville's Jewish community and its Partnership 2Gether region, Israel's Western Galilee, has enriched

the lives of participants on both sides of the ocean with opportunities to experience each other's culture and build close friendships even though physical distances are great.

From April 26-28, Louisville hosted a delegation of four visionaries and the arts and community coordinator from

the Western Galilee and once again got a taste of the richness Partnership brings.

The community welcomed visionaries Shelley-Anne Peleg, Israel Antiquities Authority's Director of the International Conservation Center located in the old city of Akko; Susan Nirens, Assistant Director of the non-profit organization Kivunim: New Directions; Uri Jeremias, chef, restaurateur, entrepreneur, hotel owner and developer; and Sisi Rodan, Curator at the Treasures in the Walls Ethnographic Museum in Old Akko.

Noa Friedman-Epstein, Partnership 2Gether's arts and community coordinator, accompanied them.

The visionaries were in Louisville as part of the Arts Task Force. Their goal was to bring leaders and innovators in their fields in Israel together and connect them with their counterparts in the Central Area Consortium communities on a personal level.

Jon and Laura Klein, Mark and Betsy Prussian, Jonathan and Janet Hordes, Ora Frankel and Howard Lazarus and Ralph Green and Shellie Branson hosted them. When they arrived, the Klempner family hosted an event for 45 people highlighting the work of Kivunim. The visionaries met with Hillel students, representatives from Goodwill, Home of the Innocents. A group also prepared a unique Shabbat dinner for Chef Jeremias at his hosts' home.

The highlight of the weekend was a special brunch billed "Farm to Table: Israel to Louisville," for which Chef Jeremias teamed up with Chef Tyler Morris of Rye to create a seven course tasting extravaganza. (See story, page 9.)

For the rest of their time in Louisville, the visionaries met local people, some of whom had similar interests, and shared their stories. On Friday night, they split up and spoke at three different congregations during Kabbalat Shabbat services.

Before they left, they spoke with Community. Each visionary was passionate about his or her work and eager to share

information.

Peleg helps run an international training program for adults who are interested in the field of historic preservation and restoration. "We bring in people from all over the world," she said. "They study with us for six months."

The first two months are spent in Akko, and then they travel to other locations in Israel where they can acquire other skills. "The entire country is my playground," she said. Akko and the Western Galilee serve as the base for the program, but Peleg's students can be found working in the Kotel tunnels and putting together pottery in Cesarea.

Her students have even been able to enter the special labs where the Dead Sea Scrolls are kept. "It's exciting to read the Shema on the old parchment," she said. "It can be a life-changing experience."

Peleg's purpose on this trip was to recruit young adults from the Partnership into the program. She's also exploring the idea of creating an opportunity of a 10-day educational program for mid-career and older adults that would "open up the back stage of Israel" for them with specialized visits to the aqueducts in the Western Galilee and the monuments in the old city of Akko.

Peleg spent most of her time on this trip meeting curators in museums and preservationists. She also met with professors "to try and work out new frameworks to open options for young students in any field."

For Jeremias the trip was about building relations and countering disinformation about Israel. By getting to know people under normal, everyday circumstances, he said, people get a very different picture of Israel than they get from the newspapers and television.

In Louisville, Jeremias cooked with Chef Tyler Morris at Rye. "I spent two days in his restaurant," he said, "and I was very impressed with the operation, the raw materials, the kitchen and how it functions. It was a great experience for me."

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HUC's Rabbi Arthur Green spoke at The Temple

HUC's Rabbi Arthur Green spoke at The Temple's Friday evening Shabbat Service on May 17 and taught the congregation's Saturday Morning Torah study.

Sue Paul installed as NCJW president

National Council of Jewish Women, Louisville Section, has a knack for identifying and training talented women who invariably go on to provide the long-standing continuity in leadership that has helped the group succeed. Sue Paul, who was inducted as president on May 23, is a case in point.

The Temple classes twinned with classes in Israel this school year

On Sunday, April 14, a group of seventh and eighth graders from the U. S. and Israel talked for over an hour via Skype. This was the culmination of a year long Partnership 2Gether education project.

JCC Early Childhood Education Center update

There is always something happening in the Early Childhood Education Center at the Jewish Community Center. A new classroom will be opening in the fall. The Spring Sing and Silent Auction raised \$2,000 that will be used to update the classrooms. The children enjoyed Derby and Mothers Day activities.

The Temple Trager Early Childhood Education Center update

It has been a busy and wonderful year at the Temple Trager Early Childhood Education Center, according to its staff. They are preparing for our summer camp and enrolling students for the upcoming school year.

The PJ Library held a Tzedakah Fair

Over 30 participants in the Jewish Community Center's PJ Library program met at the JCC on Sunday, May 19, for a Tzedakah Fair, where they learned about *tikkun olam*, repairing the world, and supported our local community. Marsha Roth, co-chair of The PJ Library Louisville, read *Jumping Jenny* and taught the kids that they are never too young to help others.

Seeds of Peace panel discussion

The attendees left their shoes at the door at the mosque where the enticing aroma from a Mediterranean-style dinner filled the space. Guests, some wearing yarmulkes, some wearing hijab, squeezed in together to hear the panelists.

Cobra Reunion

On April 28th, five men had a reunion of a Father and Son banquet of the Cobra Athletic Club. A photo of Marty Cohen, Don Stern, Gerry Fine, Harold Gordon and seated is Gil Levitch is posted online, along with a photo of the clubs from the 1940's. Your help is needed in identifying some of the people in the photo.

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He described Rye as a first-rate restaurant where everybody was helpful and friendly. "We didn't have much chance to talk about other things because we were working," he said.

Jeremias hopes he will have the opportunity to talk with Morris again and hopes the Louisville chef will visit him in Israel. He also hopes the group's visit to Louisville and two other Partnership cities – Canton and Omaha – will spur a renewed interest in Israel and the Western Galilee.

Rodan said, "food and art are a beautiful way to connect people" this trip was a positive one. She enjoyed meeting artists in the U.S. and brainstorming. In Louisville, she met with Slava Nelson at the JCC, and after 10 minutes, the two of them had many ideas for future collaborations. "Even though I didn't meet the artists here," Rodan said, "she has so many ideas."

She enjoys coming to the communities, making connections, seeing faces and getting to know the people, and she hopes this trip will lead to "more communication and plans we can do together."

Rodan hopes many of the people she met will visit her museum. "It's not an art museum," she explained, but it presents information about daily life in Israel including furniture and other artifacts.

Nirens wasn't available for the group interview, but she spoke passionately

about her Kivunim program at Temple Shalom on Friday night. Kivunim offers young adults with disabilities the support they need to maximize their potential and live as independently and normally as possible.

Friedman-Epstein deemed this delegation's visit a success. "I believe this is just the beginning," she said, "and I hope we will have more and more of this kind [of exchange]."

The entire group thanked the community and the host families for their welcome and hospitality and invited Louisvillians to visit them in Israel.

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Garmon, Nisenbaum, Pressma, Fink Awards and Cantor Scholarship Announced

by Holly Hinson, Freelance
Writer, and Shiela Steinman
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Opportunities to engage. Learning about and strengthening faith. Exploring Jewish identity. Training and leadership development. These are all ways that the Jewish Federation of Louisville and BBYO at the Jewish Community Center are helping to grow and nurture tomorrow's Jewish leaders.

In recognition of outstanding leadership in BBYO, the 2013 Ellen Faye Garmon Award will be presented to Maggie Rosen and the 2013 Stacy Marks Nisenbaum Award will be presented to Ben Koby. In addition, Rosen will receive the Ellen and Milton Cantor Israel Scholarship, which will enable her to participate in an Israel experience this summer.

All of these awards will be presented at the Jewish Community of Louisville's Annual Meeting, Monday, June 3, at 7 p.m. (note changed time) at the Jewish Community Center.

Garmon Award and Cantor Israel Scholarship

Maggie Rosen, 17, is a junior at Kentucky Country Day. She is passionate about BBYO and has attended nearly every local and regional convention. She has held leadership positions in BBYO since her freshman year, first on Jay Levine BBG Chapter Board and currently on KIO Regional Board. Maggie was chapter communications officer and chapter president in 2012. She is currently regional recruitment chair and will serve in that capacity until December 2013.



Maggie Rosen

Thanks to the Cantor and Garmon Awards, Maggie will have the opportunity in July of this year to participate in BBYO's Summer International Leadership Seminar in Israel (ILSI).

"I am very excited," she said. "We will not only be touring historical sites but also participating in leadership training and seminars in the classroom that tie in to everything we are learning and seeing," said Maggie. "We get to learn while seeing Israel and connecting with students from across the world." Maggie will be one of seven teens from BBYO's KIO region participating in the three-week trip.

Maggie said BBYO has given her the opportunity to remain deeply involved

with the Jewish community and Judaism. "I started in freshman year, and for some people, their involvement drops off after bat mitzvah, but this has really helped me continue to stay connected."

Maggie has served her Jay Levine BBG Chapter as morah (vice president of recruitment), n'siah (president) and mazkirah (vice president of communications); and the KIO region as morah.

She helped plan some six folds BBG sleepovers as well as bowling and other recruitment events. She also helped organize the regional AIT/MIT (Aleph in Training/Member in Training) recruitment convention in April 2012.

Through BBYO, Maggie says, "I feel like I have developed courage – such as speaking in front of other people, and determination – just knowing that I can do anything I set my mind to. I have also enhanced my organizational skills. I can be focused enough and organized enough to plan a convention for 150 people. I have developed a maturity that is probably more than many people my age."

In addition to BBYO activities, Maggie is active in giving back through the Jewish Community Center. "We had a carnival for underprivileged teens and I have been an active volunteer with JCC's Israel Day. Ever since Hebrew school, I think I have been there at least once a week for some volunteer project," she said.

As part of the Community Service Club at Kentucky Country Day, she has also been a frequent volunteer for the broader community. Her club has gone to food banks and provided presents to needy children during the holidays. Twice a year, they choose a focus charity to which to give of their collective time and talent. The list has included Cabbage Patch and the Kentucky Humane Society, a group that Maggie, an animal lover, has also volunteered for on an individual level, too.

When she discovered she had won both the Cantor and Garmon Awards this year, Maggie said she was deeply thankful to the award sponsors. "For the Garmon Award, I had to write an essay, and just to think that what I wrote deserved to win is a great honor." With respect to both awards, she added, "It's very kind of them to care enough about me going to Israel to do that. It really does make a difference. A supportive community can inspire youth to be leaders and to be the best they can be."

She is looking forward to seeing Israel – the Jewish State – and Jerusalem and to experiencing the pride that evinces. "Then I can bring that back home to enhance the Judaism here at BBYO," she said.

Maggie is the daughter of Penny and Mark Rosen. She has one sister, Lindsay. The family belongs to The Temple.

The Garmon Award is given annually in memory of Ellen Faye Garmon, the daughter of Estelle and Selwyn Garmon, who died in July 1968 in a tragic accident. The fund was established by the Gamma Kappa Social Club in order to further the work of high school students who, in the spirit of Ellen, are involved in Jewish life through BBYO, the Jewish Community Center and in the general community. The Garmon Award is supported through the sale of all-occasion cards. The Garmon Award provides funds to help BBYO leaders attend conferences to help them further develop their leadership skills.

The Ellen and Milton Cantor Israel Scholarship provides an annual scholarship to a high school junior or senior from the greater Louisville area to enable a teen to experience an approved month-long education opportunity in Israel.

The Cantor scholarship was originally established by Milton Cantor in 1997 in memory of his wife, Ellen. When he passed away in 2002, the fund was renamed in memory of them both. Their son, Howard, who lives in Florida and Chicago, receives letters from each of fund recipients when they return home from Israel.

Nisenbaum Award

Ben Koby, this year's recipient of the Stacy Marks Nisenbaum Award, is a rising senior in the Math Science and Technology program at Manual High School. An active athlete, he plays football, wrestles and did track at school. He's leaning toward a career in law, so he also attended the Louisville Bar Summer Institute. This summer, he'll be attending the Governor's Scholars program.



Ben Koby

While school and sports keep him busy, Ben is also very active in the Jewish world and spends a lot of time as a leader in BBYO. He has served the Drew Corson Chapter as mazkir (vice president of communications), moreh (vice president membership), shaliach (vice president of Jewish heritage and community service) and godol (president).

In these capacities, he played an active role in planning many events including three overnights that he hosted. Recently, he helped plan the eighth grade "kidnapping" program, which introduces the incoming group to BBYO. He has also written several educational programs including one that looked at the various ways people express their Judaism and one that he described as a "poverty simulation" where groups of four went to a grocery store and attempted to purchase enough food for a week with a \$40 budget. The food they purchased was donated to Dare to Care.

He has also attended BBYO conventions, including CLTC (Chapter Leadership Training Conference) and the International Kallah. In addition, he was able to attend several AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee) events through BBYO.

Ben is eligible for BBYO's Tree of Life and Bronze Shield of David International Awards.

This spring, Ben participated in the March of the Living.

When he was young, Ben attended Beber Camp for five years and he

worked as a camp counselor at the JCC for a summer.

He and his family are members of Congregation Adath Jeshurun.

Ben's parents are Risa and Chuck Koby, and he has a younger brother, Alex.

"I'm very excited and very pleased to be honored with the Nisenbaum Award," he said, "and am thankful for this generous grant." The award will enable him to attend an upcoming regional convention.

The Stacy Marks Nisenbaum Award was created after her death by her three close friends, Stacy Gordon-Funk, Wendy Snow and Sally Weinberg, who felt the scholarship program was the best way to honor her memory.

Pressma and Fink Awards

The Stuart Pressma Leadership Development Awards are college scholarships that are given to teens who have been active in BBYO throughout their high school years and demonstrated leadership skills. The Pressma Awards were established in memory of Stuart Pressma, a dynamic young leader for whom leadership development was a priority. The Pressma Awards include a scholarship to help defray the costs of college.

Following Joseph Fink's death in 1996, family and friends chose to honor his memory and his commitment to the Louisville's Jewish youth by establishing an endowment that funds the Joseph Fink BBYO Community Service Scholarship that provides a partial-tuition college scholarship for four years to a BBYO member who is involved in community service work.

Sophie Reskin

Sophie Reskin is the recipient of both a Pressma Award and the Joseph Fink Award. She was also the 2012 winner of Stacy Marks Nisenbaum Award. The teen leader, who is a graduating senior from Ballard High School, was "excited and surprised by the awards. I am so grateful to the Pressma and Fink families for these awards. It is an honor to be recognized when there are so many hard-working teens in this Jewish community."



Sophie Reskin

Sophie is passionate about BBYO and participated in many regional and local committees, including engaging new members in the opportunity for valuable Jewish education, youth leadership training and interacting with other Jewish youth. Elected to the post of KIO regional morah for two years, she was in charge of recruitment, retention and education, encouraging her peers to take part by being a "MIT (Member in Training) mom." She also served as morah for Jay Levine BBG.

Through BBYO, Reskin was also able to attend the AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee) Policy Conference in Washington in March 2011 representing Louisville and the KIO region. At the conference, she heard Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and President Barack Obama speak.

The teen, who has also been a camper at Camp Livingston for several years, will be attending her ninth summer this year as a counselor. She said she feels the Jewish camp experience is an

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important steppingstone that offers growth and learning, not to mention fun, and she wants other kids to attend the way she was able to.

As for Sophie's future plans, she will be attending the University of Colorado at Boulder and plans to be a pediatric cardiologist. "I am thankful for all the opportunities I have had being a Jewish teen in Louisville, through programs like BBYO and at the Jewish Community Center. They have truly made me who I am today."

She is the daughter of Rhonda and Jim Reskin, and has a brother, Eric, and a sister, Hillary. The family belongs to Keneseth Israel.

Alanna Gilbert

Alanna Gilbert, a graduating senior from Ballard High School, is the recipient of a Pressma Award. The teen plans to attend Indiana University in Bloomington and may study psychology.

"I am truly grateful for this award. It's so nice they thought of me. When I found out, I was excited and happy – and surprised. I didn't even know I had been nominated. I want to thank the Pressma family. With college expenses, every little bit helps."

With BBYO's Jay Levin BBG, Alanna has been on chapter board since freshman year as s'ganit and mazkirah. For the last four years, she has been very active in all aspects of the organization, including attending local and regional conventions, as well as being the regional board mazkirah and helping to coordinate publicity, fundraising and community service activities like Operation Brightside.

"One of the things I have contributed is that we have changed how chapter communications are done to make it easier for girls to know what is going on," said Alanna. Under her leadership, a chapter calendar was developed and the website and social media utilized to inform girls of what was going on more in advance. "We also sent emails to parents to remind their kids of events and activities to boost participation," Alanna said. "I can see how the chapter is still using ideas I put into place."

In her junior year, Alanna went to Israel on a three-week trip through Beber Camp and said it was the best experience of her life. "It was one of the best trips of my life. I really learned about my Jewish heritage."

In addition, through a special BBYO program called "Voice Your Vote," Alanna had a rare opportunity to attend the National Convention for the presidential election last November in Cleveland, OH.

"We learned about both sides of the campaign – Romney and Obama, and I chose to campaign for Obama," said the teen. "I can't even say how exciting it was to be there. We provided transportation for voters who needed to go to the polls. I know I personally helped at least eight people vote. Obama won there by a larger margin than expected – I really feel like I – and we – made a difference there."

At Ballard, Alanna was an outstanding leader in many areas, she was a val- edictorian for her senior class, president of Beta Club, president of French Club in her junior year, and a member of National Honor Society. She was a math

tutor and involved in field hockey.

Alanna said when she looks back to four years ago, she sees a different person. "I have grown in confidence as a leader and I feel more connected to my Jewish identity."

She said she looks forward to being involved in Hillel in college and continuing her passion for community service.

Alanna is the daughter of Amy and Lance Gilbert and has a sister, Rebecca and a brother, Jason.

The family belongs to Adath Jesurun.

Jordyn Levine

Pressma Award winner Jordyn Levine is a graduating senior from DuPont Manual who plans to attend University of Maryland College Park. She plans to major in either business or law.

Jordyn has been very active in the Jewish community and in BBYO, including serving as Jay Levine BBG's gizborit. She also worked at the family gym and as a counselor at JCC, as well as a teacher's assistant for Hebrew school at The Temple

helping seventh-graders prepare for bar and bat mitzvah.

Jordyn said she believes BBYO helps you bond with other Jewish youth. "You have so much in common, and through community service, you really begin to learn about all the ways you can connect with people."

Jordyn attended B'nai B'rith Beber Pioneer Camp for eight years. During one month-long camp, the group helped to restore the waterfront in Madison, WI, and organized a carnival for a Jewish senior living home. After completing camp, the group then visited Israel for three weeks. Jordyn said the experience was "incredible."

"We saw great sites – like archaeological digs and all the seas, but the best experience was when we did a home stay. We have relatives of my grandma who there we met for the first time. It was such a cool experience to see how they live and establish those family ties. One of the older girls in the family was getting ready to go into the military. It was great to see how much pride the whole family had in her. I feel much more connected to Judaism and I definitely want to go back to Israel again," she said.

Jordyn is very active in community volunteering as well, particularly for the Home of the Innocents, where the service is a family affair. "My dad has been on the Board for the Home and our family always donates clothes and toys. I have also volunteered for them with their 5k Run, and collected books and toiletries as part of my service to bat mitzvah and for National Honor Society," she explained.

Jordyn's school honors have included awards in computer applications and business ethics from competitions with the Future Business Leaders of America. She has been a member of Beta Club, National Honor Society and has been a Spanish tutor for elementary school kids.

Her other hobbies include photography and cooking. "I am known for my baking," she said. "When my friends come over, they say 'let's bake something.'"

When Jordyn found out she was a recipient of the Pressma Award, she was very grateful. "I just want to say thank you for this scholarship. This means that someone thinks I'm a leader and that makes me proud. I do try to help mentor the younger children. I encour-

aged my little brother to get involved with BBYO. I told him you need to do it; it will change your life."

The teen said she feels that the education and tools you get through BBYO also strengthen your belief that your Judaism will be important throughout your life. "When you go out in the workforce, you will meet people at work like older Jewish women and they will understand. You will always have that connection through Judaism."

Jordyn is the daughter of Marci and Glenn Levine and she is sister to brother David. The family belongs to The Temple.

Jacob Spielberg

Jacob Spielberg, a Pressma Award winner, is a graduating senior from Kentucky Country Day. Jacob has amassed an impressive list of awards and accomplishments for school activities, for community volunteerism and in Jewish youth leadership.

The 18-year old has been a very active member of Louisville BBYO throughout high school, serving in various roles including three

terms as godol, as well as terms as s'gan and shaliach. Under his leadership, Jacob saw chapter attendance improve by 70 percent. He has participated in numerous BBYO international conventions such as CLTC, IC (International Convention) and Kallah, and was part of a regional teen delegation to attend an AIPAC Conference in Washington, D.C.

Spielberg also served as the regional fundraising chair for the KIO region of BBYO. He previously received the Ellen Faye Garmon Award from the JCL and the Leopold Marx Leadership Award from The Temple.

After being chosen as last year's recipient of the Ellen and Milton Cantor Israel Scholarship, Jacob traveled to Israel on BBYO's premier leadership trip, ILSI, where he said he connected on a deeper level to Israel and to his faith – while "having the most fun ever in my life." He recounts his favorite experience was "experiencing the sight of the Western Wall on Shabbat."

After falling in love with photography in school as a yearbook photographer, Jacob turned his passion into an entrepreneurial venture, starting a business called Duetto Designs Photography, and most recently teaming up with a graphic designer, also named Jacob, in a new partnership, Jacob Squared.

From a young age, Jacob has been an

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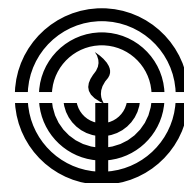
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Beauchamp receives Cohen Scholarship to attend GUCI

by Holly Hinson, Freelance Writer

In recognition of the importance Jewish overnight camping and Israel experiences are to helping young people develop strong Jewish identities, the Jewish Federation of Louisville invests in the future of the Jewish community by awarding scholarships to make these experiences more affordable for local Jewish families. This year, the organization has awarded \$30,000 to 27 children. This year, Lexie Beauchamp received the Laura K. Cohen Camp Scholarship and Maggie Rosen received the Ellen and Milton Cantor Israel Scholarship (see story, page 14). In addition, the Miriam and Dennis Fine Beber Camp Memorial Scholarship, the Frankenthal Family Camp Ramah Scholarship, several One Happy Camper Scholarships and a number of unnamed scholarships were awarded this summer.

Lexie Beauchamp – Cohen Camp Scholarship.

Lexie Beauchamp, 15, is this year's recipient of the Laura K. Cohen Camp Scholarship. A rising sophomore at Oldham County High School, Lexie is active in her school on debate team and has been in chorus. She has also been a Sunday school volunteer at the Jewish Community Center.

She said she has attended camp before and can't wait to return. Thanks to the Cohen scholarship, she will be attending the Goldman Union Camp Institute in Zionsville, IN, in June.

"Camp means everything to me – it's like my second home," Lexie said. "When I first went, I was nervous, being away from home, but I completely fell in love with it. Those are the best people I've ever met. It's a way to establish true friendships – the kind I believe will be life-long."

At camp, Lexie had the opportunity to get assistance in studying and preparing for bat mitzvah and deepening her understanding of her Jewish identity and faith. "I like that the camp is so welcoming to everyone. I was somewhat unfamiliar with Judaism, but everyone made me feel comfortable. I really feel like I am learning so much more about my Jewish identity," said the teen.

Opportunities for community service are also a big part of the camp experience. "I like that the camp is part educational and part service-oriented," said Lexie. At last year's camp, Lexie's cabin



Lexie Beauchamp

helped to build a garden for victims of drug abuse and violence. "It was great. We had vegetables and flowers and benches. We dedicated it to them as a symbol of hope," the teen said. "We are learning the true meaning of 'tikkun olam' [healing the world]."

Another activity Lexie helped with was cleaning up a baseball field for underprivileged children. "We had the whole camp participate," she said. "It was 11 buses of people. When we were done with everything, we hung a sign on doorpost for them, reading, 'Mazel Tov' – to wish them good luck."

Camp also gave Lexie the opportunity to try new things – including archery. "I had never done it, but I found I was really good at it, so now I am on the archery team at school," she said. The camp also offers a taste of the arts with the camp musical production in which all campers participate in some way.

But Lexie said that her absolute favorite part of camp is the Friday night song sessions around the campfire. "The Rabbi tells stories, and we sing songs and dance all night – that is so fun."

Lexie's father is a retired chef, and the family – including dad, Beau; mom, Amy; and brothers, Saul and Roman – loves to cook together, trying a new recipe every Friday night for Shabbat.

The family attends the Temple.

The late Laura K. Cohen was a big

believer in summer camp. In fact, she so treasured her time spent at a Zionist youth camp as a child that when she passed away, her friends and family chose to remember her by creating a scholarship in her name. The Laura K. Cohen Camp Scholarship is awarded to a teen who attends a Jewish summer camp that observes Kosher dietary laws, are Zionist in approach (provide an Israeli element in orientation and/or programming), and observe Shabbat.

The Miriam and Dennis Fine Beber Camp Memorial Scholarship was established in Miriam's name when she passed away in 2004. At the time, her husband, Dennis, and their children, Molly, Max and Meredith, chose to memorialize her by ensuring others the opportunity to enjoy the Jewish camping experience that had been so much a part of her life and theirs. And when Dennis passed away in 2011, the fund was renamed to honor his memory as well. Since the Fine children had attended the camp in Wisconsin over the years, the endowment was created to provide scholarships to Beber Camp.

Citing their family's desire to make a Jewish camping experience accessible for all youngsters in our community, Kim and Stuart Frankenthal endowed the Frankenthal Family Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund with the Jewish Foundation of Louisville. The Frankenthal Fund provides need-based scholarships for youngsters from the Louisville area at Camp Ramah in Wisconsin.

TEEN AWARDS

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active community volunteer and fundraiser for organizations such as Hi-Ho Camp and Brooklawn, but in particular for dystonia, a cause near and dear to his heart since he was diagnosed with the neurological disorder at age 8. Fortunately, after a surgical procedure at age 10, Jacob's quality of health and life greatly improved, and he hasn't slowed down one minute since.

He has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for dystonia through dozens of local, national and international fundraising events including Cars and Coffee for Dystonia, where he has teamed up with a local coffee shop and cars from across the city to participate in a monthly get-together to help raise money for a cure. All proceeds benefit the Bachmann-Strauss Dystonia and

Parkinson's Foundation, which has helped Spielberg with all of his treatments

Jacob plans to attend Butler University and pursue an MBA or Law school or both, but says his real "ultimate career dream is to be a sports agent." He has already been named "Fairview Scholar" by Butler even before his arrival on campus.

"I am so very happy and thankful to the Pressma family for this honor that will allow me to pursue my goals," said Jacob. One of those goals is to start the first –ever Jewish fraternity at his university.

Jacob is the son of Gregg and Linda Spielberg and has one brother, Nathan.

Klaire Spielberg

Pressma Award recipient Klaire Spielberg is a graduating senior from Louisville Collegiate School. She will travel to Washington, D.C., in the fall to attend

George Washington University but she said she won't forget the Jewish identity she forged and deepened through her involvement in the BBYO.

"The BBYO has been a huge part of my high school career and truly shaped



Klaire Spielberg

who I am today. I don't know what I would have done without the BBYO in my life – it has offered me a myriad of opportunities,"

As a BBYO leader, Klaire served as n'siah and shlichah of Jay Levine BBG and was the recipient of last year's Ellen Faye Garmon Award, which enabled her to attend the BBYO's International Kallah in Pennsylvania for 20 days. Kallah offers a deep Judaic

experience in which participants are given the opportunity to explore their own Jewish identity and engage with others in programs on spirituality, culture and religion.

In the summer of 2012, she made a five-week trip through Poland, Hungary and Israel as part of the BBYO's Passport Euro Israel Central trip, where she saw the Auschwitz concentration camp among other sites that she said were "educational and inspirational."

"It was very interesting in touring the different countries and sites to see the progression of Old World Jewry to modern Jewry. I also made a ton of new friends. In fact, one friend from the trip is going to be rooming with me at George Washington," said Klaire.

Klaire, who was elected "Regional Sweetheart" by other members of BBYO's KIO Region, said she is most proud and gratified to see how the Louisville Chapter of BBYO has evolved from a small organization to one with 100 members and counting. I feel like my main contribution has been to bring back some of the old BBYO traditions, like the chapter leadership training through International BBYO. That has been an influential part of a lot of girls' lives," she said.

The teen, who speaks Spanish and French and plans to study international affairs at George Washington, says she was inspired by her trip to Israel and now may be adding another language to her repertoire. "I am increasingly interested in Middle Eastern politics now. I really have a new found-respect and would love to return to Israel and to continue to serve. One of my goals is to be an intern for the BBYO Headquarters office in Washington."

"I am truly honored to be given this award and grateful to the Pressma family," said Klaire. "In fact, my father played basketball with Mr. Pressma. I truly hope that I can give back to the Jewish community in Louisville that has given so much to me throughout my high school years and my life."

Klaire is the daughter of Jamey and Jeffrey Spielberg and sister to a brother, David. The family attends Keneseth Israel.

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TEEN TOPICS



Members of Jay Levine BBG posing with their MIT Littles

by Rachel Bass

Jay Levine BBG

Although nearing the end of their term, Jay Levine BBG has been acting as energized and determined as they were at the very start.

Recently, the older members got paired with new MITs (members-in-training) in a big sister/little sister program in order for the younger members to be able to feel comfortable in the chapter and have access to all the information and help they need.

The MITs were "auctioned" off to eager members awaiting gifts ranging from handmade BBYO boxes, candy, and matching T-shirts.

The Toucans [a nickname for Jay Levine BBG] have also been busy raising money for their chapter to put towards new spirit wear, ISF, and scholarships funds. To celebrate the last day of LBSY Hebrew School, the girls hosted a bake sale that raised over \$200. The chapter Gizborit, Katie Segal, also executed her biggest project of the term, the annual Mother's Day Flower Sale. For months she organized costs of candy, flowers, and bagels, created a Mother/Daughter Spa Day offer, packaged the gifts, and planned routes for girls to deliver to.

The event was extremely successful and raised over \$600.

To close out the term, the girls are preparing for their first-ever Chapter Convention: Out With the Old, In With the New. The event is at Hawthorne Suites from May 25-26, and will include creative programming, MIT inductions, and a senior "lives" ceremony. They are anxiously anticipating this long-awaited event that has been a put-forth idea for two years.

The term has been a crazy one for Jay Levine, but has run smoothly and been filled with hard work, laughter, and lots of success.

Rachel Bass named BBG of the month

Rachel Bass (N'siah of Jay Levine BBG) was recently named KIO BBG of the Month for the Month of May. The following was written about her and her honor:

Rachel Bass has been elected spring term chapter N'siah and with her help and the board Jay Levine has grown so much over this past term – number-wise and in strength. Along with the rest of the board, Rachel is a role model in her chapter and to everyone throughout the region.



Sarah Hyman, Marnina Goldberg, Nicole Keenan, Abigail Goldberg, Laina Meyerowitz, Ashley Waller and Izzy Geller, front, at the eighth grade progressive dinner

Eighth grade progressive dinner

On Friday May 17, the eighth graders of Louisville gathered for an eighth grade only progressive shabbat dinner. The dinner started with salads and pasta at the Bass's house and then continued with dessert at the Meyerowitz's house. During the dinner, the eighth



Standing in line at the eighth grade progressive dinner

graders learned about NFTY from advisor, Laurence Nibur and about BBYO from City Director, Mike Steklof, and Regional Director, Matt Steinberg. A great time was had by all.



AIT Board members Ben Gould, Alex Koby, Spencer Geer, Jordan Gould, Justin Bass, Drew Frey

Drew Corson AZA

During the last month, Drew Corson had its first ever AIT Board Elections. The AIT board is an opportunity for eighth graders to learn what it's like to be in an AZA Chapter and to be responsible for planning a few programs during the term. The following AITs were elected: Ben Gould, godol; Alex Koby, s'gan; Spencer Geer, moreh; Jordan

Gould, shaliach; Justin Bass, mazkir; and Drew Frey, gizbor.

Members also spent Oaks Day at the Hemmer's house bonding as a chapter.



Middle school Dive-In movie overnight

Saturday to Sunday, May 18-19 was a crazy night for Teen Connection. Teen Connection welcomed the fifth graders to the program with an awesome night at the JCC.

The evening started with a Havdallah service and then everyone made their way to the pool! Teens splashed around in the pool for hours watching the hilarious movie, *Parental Guidance*. Once the movie was over, the teens enjoyed ice cream sundaes and some time getting to know each other.

With 26 middle schoolers in attendance, this night was a blast! Thank you to everyone who attended. Can't wait to see everyone at the next Teen Connection program in August.



J-Serve day of service is also lots of fun

by Elana Wagner

On April 28, Jewish teens around the world participated in J-Serve, the Official Day of Jewish Youth Service. Teens from different youth groups like BBYO and NFTY worked together to create a fun day of community service for Jewish teens to participate in.

Although J-Serve is an international event, each community decides on their own how they would like to help out. In Louisville, using the Jewish values of *G'milut Chasadim*: Acts of Loving Kindness, *Hachnasat Orchim*: Hospitality or Welcoming Guests, and *Vehavta L'reacha Camocha*: Love your Neighbor as Yourself, we decided to host a carnival for disadvantaged children, which was advertised through the Home of the Innocents, Brooklawn Child and Family Services, Ronald McDonald House, Gilda's Club, Volunteers of America, Metro Louisville Youth Services, Jewish Family and Career Services, and Jefferson County Public Schools Equity and Poverty Programs.

A committee of both teenagers and adults planned the carnival together. It was held at the JCC and had activities run by volunteers, like a cakewalk, fortune telling and face painting.

The meaning of this day was to show that not only can volunteering help others, it can be fun, too, and that everyone

can enjoy it. It was a great experience and everyone who attended had a great time.

This year's J-Serve Project was co-

ordinated by Elana Wagner and Daniela Reuter with assistance from Barb Schwartz, JCL High School Committee Chair.





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LBSY celebrates students' achievements, graduation, consecration

On its last session for the 2012-13 year, Wednesday, May 8, the Louisville Beit Sefer Yachad (formerly the Louisville Hebrew School) honored outstanding individual accomplishments by its students as well as collectively celebrating the achievements of the eighth and third grade classes.

The following individual honors were awarded:

The Herman and O.H. Landau Memorial Award winner was Drew Frey.

The Rose Sherman Memorial Award winner was Spencer Geer.

The Charles D. Levitch Memorial Award winner was Bailly Doctrow.

The Marilyn Berman Memorial Award winner was Bradley Waller.

The Anita Zeiden Memorial Award winner was Talia Frock.

The Margie Kohn/Joanie Lustig Past Presidents Award winner was Ally

Doctrow.

In addition, the following students received the Agudath Achim Award for Excellence in Hebrew studies for their respective grades: second grade, Gabrielle Kronenberg; third grade, Jacob Hyman; fourth grade, Willa Kornstein and Eli Schramko; fifth grade, Alexandra Polur-Gold, Sam Rosenthal and Kate Frey; sixth grade, Megan Schanker; and seventh grade, Saralee Renick and Julia Bessen.

LBSY celebrated the consecration of its third grade students: Clay Callam, son of Jeff and Andi Callam; Ryan Catapano, son of Richard and Hillary Catapano; Lea Cohen, daughter of Jon and Rebecca Cohen; Talia Frock, daughter of Daniel and Jasmine Frock; Dora Goldwin, daughter of Larry and Beth Goldwin; Jason Harkins, son of Karyn Harkins; Jacob Hyman, son of Lee Hyman and Debra Rose; Joseph Levinson, son of Sheldon and Paula Levinson; Karenna Longton, daughter of Peter and Helene Kramer Longton; Matthew Margulis, son of Paul and Herlene Margulis; Sydney Marks, daughter of Rodney and Julie Marks; Adrian Polur Gold, son of Michael Gold and George Polur; Jacob Rosenthal, son of Mark and Stephanie Rosenthal; and Jenna Shaps, daughter

of Howard and Shane Shaps.

Each consecrant received the siddur of his/her congregation, a certificate and a pin.

LBSY also marked the transition of its eighth graders into the High School of Jewish Studies. Members of the class include Justin Bass, son of Eric and Karen Bass; Justin Bird, son of Russ and Leigh Bird; Ally Doctrow, daughter of Matt and Amy Doctrow; Bailly Doctrow, daughter of Matt and Amy Doctrow; Ethan Evans, son of Howard and Barbara Evans; Michael Evans, son of Donald and Donna Evans; Lauren Figa, daughter of Robert and Gayle Figa; and Drew Frey, son of K.C. and Kim Frey.

Also, Spencer Geer, son of Liam Felsen and Claire Geer Felsen; Isabelle Geller, daughter of Mark Geller and Dana Strull; Abigail Goldberg, daughter of Brian and Deborah Goldberg; Ethan Goldberg, Son of Brian and Deborah Goldberg; Marnina Goldberg, daughter of Brian and Deborah Goldberg; Jordan Gould, son of David and Abby Gould; Whitney Haines, daughter of Richard and Beth Haines; and Ashley Waller, daughter of Bill and Stacy Waller.

Each student received a copy of *Jewish Louisville: Portrait of a Community*.

CHAVURAT SHALOM

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

May 30

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Music from Young at Heart

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Weather with Ken Schultz, formerly of WHAS

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Bingo games with 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 Louisville, National Council of Jewish Women, a Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence Grant, The Temple's Men of Reform Judaism and Women of Reform Judaism and many other generous donors.

По-Русски

Ежегодный Митинг ЕОЛ

Еврейская Община Луивилла приглашает Вас на свой Ежегодный Митинг в понедельник, 3 июня, в 7 часов вечера в Центр Еврейской Общины. На митинге будут вручать награды следующим лицам:

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Ежегодный митинг JFCS / Еврейские Семейные и Карьерные Услуги/ состоится 4 июня, в 7:30 вечера в Центре Семьи Рот. Агенство будет отмечать достижения в этом году и 105 летнюю работу по оказанию услуг для общины. JFCS представит 11 Президентских наград за Добровольные Услуги и объявит фамилию награжденного призом имени Мэри Гантер. Будет подан десерт.

The Judith Bensinger Senior Adult Fund

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THANKS TO DIANE LEVINE AND SHANNON BENOVIETZ, THE JAY LEVINE YOUTH FUND WILL BE USED TO FUND INNOVATIVE PROGRAM

JCC introduces Discover CATCH

Engaging and fun, program promotes healthy lifestyle choices starting in preschool

by Shiela Steinman Wallace,
Editor

Wherever you turn today people are talking about health and wellness issues – obesity and diabetes are epidemic; people's food choices often include too much salt, fat and sugar and not enough fresh fruits and vegetables; people are glued to their TV and computer screens and don't get enough exercise.

For adults, making healthier lifestyle choices is difficult. There's not enough time to cook, so we grab a frozen dinner or run through the drive-through at a fast food restaurant. Fresh vegetables and fruit? Well, maybe tomorrow.

Exercise? There's one more task at work, one more thing to do on the computer, one more "must-see" thing on TV, the kids have a little league game and the gym is too far away.

These habits are ingrained and hard to break – even with the best of intentions.

Would things be different if we had started making healthy lifestyle choices when we were children? Can we make a difference for today's children by making the healthy choice the normal choice and building good habits starting in preschool?

Nationally, the Jewish Community Centers Association has answered, "yes," and through the Discover CATCH program has made the resources available to local JCCs. Louisville's JCC has answered, "yes," and is adopting the Discover CATCH program this summer. Diane Levine and Shannon Levine Benovitz have said, "yes," funding the Discover CATCH program through the Jay Levine Youth Fund. It is the perfect way to remember their beloved husband and father on the 10th anniversary of his passing, as it reflects his values and interests.

What is Discover CATCH?

CATCH stands for Coordinated Approach To Child Health, a program developed at the University of California to promote physical activity, healthy food choices and the prevention of tobacco use in children. Discover CATCH takes this comprehensive program and puts a Jewish lens on it.

Nationally, the program partners with The Jared Foundation established by Subway® restaurant spokesman Jared Fogle.

If all that sounds stuffy and boring, Discover CATCH is anything but.

The Discover CATCH program creates an environment where physical activity, health education, gardening and healthy eating behaviors are valued and taught. Little ones are motivated to walk, run, jump, dance and move their whole bodies while playing and having fun.

It is unique because the classroom curriculum includes stories with puppets and activities that really resonate with 3-, 4- and 5-year-old children. Lessons share important nutrition concepts and are crafted so that they can be used in any preschool learning center. Children have fun as they learn about



As part of the Discover CATCH program, children will help work in the garden and be encouraged to taste the foods that they grow.

healthy eating; and the PE activities, which come with music, and keep kids and teachers moving and singing.

In March, five JCC staffers, Early Childhood Assistant Director Angie Hiland, Middle School and Assistant Camp Director Rachel Lipkin, Teen Director Mike Steklof, Assistant Director of Membership and Wellness Tara Stone and Early Childhood Teacher Chrissy Verdon traveled to Columbus, OH, to learn how to implement the program in Louisville.

They came back excited about the program and could hardly wait to implement it. In talking about the program, they were so enthusiastic, they kept completing each other's thoughts.

"It talked about how Judaism commands us to be happy and healthy," said Steklof.

"It's designed to set the stage for co-operation between Fitness and Early Childhood," Hiland began, "because they told us a lot of JCCs don't work that way," Steklof finished her thought.

Our Louisville JCC starts with an advantage, he continued. "With Tara, who taught preschool for a lot of years, we already work together."

A community garden plays an important role in the program, and on Earth Day, April 22, children in the Early

Childhood program planted strawberries, broccoli, cabbage, radishes and lettuce. They also began an herb garden with parsley, thyme, oregano and mint.

By growing their own food, Lipkin explained, children begin to realize where food comes from. This summer, the children in the JCC Summer Camp will also help tend the garden.

While most of the food will be donated to JFCS, Hiland added, the staff will "introduce portions of that food into snacks at preschool and camp."

Verdon and Steklof pointed out that the program also includes daily programs and activities. "There is parade around," Verdon said. "The kids line up in a circle and parade around acting like different animals. It provides good classroom management for the teachers and learning experiences for the kids that are fun. And it gets them moving around for fitness."

"The Discover CATCH program includes a box of 200 activities and the things we need to implement them," Hiland said, "including combs, scarves, hoola hoops and more. These are tools we will use to incorporate fitness activities into the class."

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The five who took the training also plan to share the techniques with the entire staff, she added. That way, if a child is running toward the parking lot, “a staff member could say, ‘freeze,’ and the child would stop and say ‘one two three hands on knees.’”

Other specific healthy living vocabulary will be incorporated with regular activities.

Healthy eating is an important part of the program as well. Stone says the children will learn about “whoa foods” and “go foods”. This concept will extend see **JCC INTRODUCES** page 21

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throughout the building, so if people go into the fitness area, water would be a “go food” and soda a “whoa” food.

“We’ll incorporate it in summer camp,” Lipkin added, “and give parents lists of foods.”

Stone plans to extend the program “to incorporate it from preschool to seniors and even to the Hebrew School. We’ll use it to educate people about fitness, health and healthy eating.”

Steklof said teens will be incorporated into the program as well because a lot of them “work with Family Gym and Summer Camp. They will be trained to work with the children in those programs. Some of the games and mixers can also be modified for youth group activities.”

Diane Levine and Shannon Benovitz wanted to do something special around July 1 to mark the 10th anniversary of Jay Levine’s passing. “We wanted a new and novel program that emphasizes what our family does,” Benovitz said. A program that would be a “rekindling of his spirit on the anniversary of his passing,” Levine added.

While they were brainstorming what to do, JCC Vice President and COO Sara Wagner brought the Discover CATCH program to their attention. “It was one of several options that she presented,” Benovitz said, “and we felt it was a good fit for our family and an appropriate use of the [Jay Levine Youth] Fund.”

The program dovetails with their goals. Jay Levine was an athletic director for a good portion of his life and loved working with teens and children. Diane Levine is a registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator who has spent her life “teaching people of all ages to eat healthier,” and Shannon Benovitz is expecting a baby in July, thus starting the next generation.

The Discover CATCH program brings all those interests together. It’s also a program that can evolve and grow over time, creating a lasting legacy for Jay.

Levine expressed the hope that teaching about a healthy lifestyle “initiated at a younger age hopefully will create healthier adults down the road.”

“Dad was big into education,” added Benovitz. “He spent his life educating and being an advocate for youth of all ages. This program also enables the staff here to get some training” that will enable them to become advocates and train the next generation of leaders.

“It’s all about teaching children healthier habits at an early age,” Levine



said. “So it becomes a way of life,” Benovitz added.

Studies show the younger children are when they are introduced to healthy lifestyle decisions, the more successful they will be in continuing the practices as they grow up. This success also requires parental support.

“We can grow the garden and make the food,” Levine said, “offer cooking classes, and promote physical activity, but it also starts at home. Parents have to reach out to community resources that are available.” This program will offer parents valuable resources.

“There is a lot of childhood obesity that is leading to chronic illness much earlier in life,” Levine stated, “and there’s a lack of physical activity due to television, video games and cutting of physical education in school. There’s also more eating out,” which complicates the process of making healthy choices.

Levine and Benovitz believe Discover CATCH is one program that can offer families healthier alternatives.

While there is enough money in the Jay Levine Youth Fund to get this program off to a good start, “the growth and longevity of this program can only be sustained through additional support of his fund,” Benovitz said.

“We appreciate the benevolence of our family and friends who helped initiate the Jay Levine Youth Fund and helped it grow. Special thanks go to Marsha Bornstein and David Weinberg for their guidance on this project as well as their help in overseeing the fund,” Levine said.

“And to Sara [Wagner],” Benovitz added, “who was really instrumental in bringing the project to the forefront” with the help and hard work of her team.

Now, Levine and Benovitz are turning to the rest of the community, especially the parents of the children who will benefit from this program, to support the Jay Levine Youth Fund and ensure the continuation of Discover CATCH.

There is still a lot of planning to do to determine the final shape of the program, plan a kickoff and market it effectively. The initial training has taken place and the Discover CATCH is ready to be launched at the Louisville JCC.





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Anshei Sfard makes changes; focuses on recruitment in NYC

by Brian Wallace,
Board Member, Anshei Sfard

As the previous Community article, "Anshei Sfard shrinks, considers its future," reported, Anshei Sfard faces a crossroads. While the congregation has lost membership in recent times, there is an effort under way to reverse the trend.

The Orthodox Union recently completed the Fourth Annual Job and Relocation Fair – the largest on record and the first time that Louisville has been represented. Anshei Sfard President Roy Hyman and congregants Brian and

Judy Wallace attended and are happy to report that nearly 120 families requested additional information about moving to the Louisville community. The congregation is following up with them.

Louisville offers a safe and affordable environment for young families. The city has a growing economy and the congregation is working in tandem with the Chamber of Commerce that has 2,000 plus jobs available throughout the city – over 1,000 in technology related areas alone. This is what's helping Louisville be a standout community and a model for others to follow.

New times call for a new direction, Hyman said. As of May 9, the Board of Directors of Anshei Sfard accepted the resignation of Rabbi Avrohom Litvin, and he will serve the congregation until July 31. "We wish the Rabbi the best of luck in his future efforts to assist his son-in-law Rabbi Baruch Sussman at the Chabad Chai Center." (See story, this page.)

Anshei Sfard acknowledges and affirms its responsibility to maintain continuity as a Modern Orthodox synagogue serving primary Jewish needs such as a daily minyan, mikvah, school and other such life cycle services.

Therefore, a national and international search will be undertaken to identify a new rabbi who will serve Anshei Sfard and who will also share generously in the lives of the people of Louisville.

Anshei Sfard and members of the community are willing to help families interested in Louisville with free synagogue membership and actively and aggressively assist individuals in finding and securing a job. The congregation is setting up committees to help with relocation expenses and financial incentives. They have also set up a new website to promote the community – kosherlouisville.com.

New Chabad House planned to meet growing needs

Rabbi Avrohom Litvin leaving Anshei Sfard to work with Chabad full time

On August 1, Chabad will open a new Chabad House in Big Spring Gardens, in the neighborhood that adjoins the Jewish Community Center. The Chabad House will be similar to a synagogue, providing the community with daily prayer services, and similar to a social service agency, providing a wide variety of programs for children, teens, adults and seniors.

The Chabad House will be unique for it will not be designated as Orthodox, Conservative or Reform. Instead, it will aim to be a "home away from home" and welcome all Jews with programs and activities geared to people of all ages and backgrounds.

There will be no membership fee required because the Chabad motto is "One should not need to pay to pray," and everyone is welcome regardless of

financial ability. Instead, the Chabad House will invite partnerships that will enable people to support and participate in Chabad's efforts to help provide for the needs of the Louisville Jewish community.

The Chabad House will build its program with the leadership of Rabbi Avrohom Litvin, regional director of Chabad of Kentucky; Rabbi Boruch Sussman, who has directed the Chabad Chai Center on Shelbyville Road since February 2011; and Rabbi Chaim Litvin, who has assisted his colleagues with a variety of programming.

As its programs outgrew the Chai Center, Chabad's leaders said it became obvious that the community was responding to such programs as TGIS – Thank G-d It's Shabbos celebrations and dinners and BLT – Bagels Lox and

Torah Sunday Brunch Torah Classes. Classes were added specifically for woman and for teens.

The key, Chabad's leaders said, was to offer programming that welcomed participation without making any judgments or requirements upon participants. Their success led them to conclude that the Chai Center needed a larger location and the Chabad House will be the next step in that growth process.

At the same time, Congregation Anshei Sfard was struggling with rising costs and dwindling membership. The Board of Directors of the Congregation felt that the best way to ensure the viability of the congregation as a modern Orthodox Synagogue is by attracting Orthodox members from out of town to move to Louisville. Rabbi Avrohom Litvin felt that it was best to adapt services and programming to include the unaffiliated members of the current Louisville Jewish community. They each decided to pursue their endeavors independently, hoping together to best serve the overall Louisville Jewish community. (See story about Anshei Sfard, this page.)

Rabbi Litvin resigned from the congregation effective July 31, and will focus his efforts on providing inclusive programming at the Chabad House geared to include the entire Jewish community, especially the unaffiliated.

He also indicated that he will continue to offer his services as a teacher, service leader and member of the minyan to Anshei Sfard and all other congregations in the community. "My goal is to provide programming for the widest spectrum of the Jewish community," Rabbi Litvin said, "the affiliated and the unaffiliated with no labels or judgments about current or previous backgrounds."

"Recently, when I led a Birthright trip to Israel, it opened my eyes to the needs

and the openness of the younger generation and their connection to Judaism," he continued. "It seems to me there are many hundreds, if not thousands, of young adults and families who could be encouraged to participate if they were invited to participate in a nonjudgmental environment."

To implement this concept, the new Chabad House will be designed to be a welcoming home and Rabbi Litvin has set a goal of completing the building in three to five years.

The organization will operate on a family concept. "There will be no dues," Rabbi Litvin said, "and no requirement to pay to pray." Instead, the Chabad House will offer "partnership initiatives" through which people can choose to sponsor individual programs or provide annual sponsorships "and take part in programs we offer throughout the year."

Rabbi Sussman and Rabbis Avrohom and Chaim Litvin invite the Jewish community to attend the opening events at the Chabad House scheduled for the month of August. Watch the upcoming issues of the Community for more information.

Standard Club restructures memberships; dining room closed while club explores options

Existing event reservations will be honored

by Shiela Steinman Wallace

When Standard Country Club was founded in 1873, the Jewish club was established on a typical model. Since that time the club has added golf, tennis and swimming to its amenities. In order to use club facilities, you had to be a member of the club. Your membership entitled you to use any of the club facilities and only full memberships were offered.

Through the years, the club grew and changed. It relocated twice and survived a major flood and a fire. Today's Standard Club, located off Highway 22, has an Olympic-size swimming pool, an 18-hole golf course, clay tennis courts and a privately stocked fishing lake. The property also has a large clubhouse with dining facilities.

The way people use country clubs today is also changing, and Standard Club, like most country clubs in Louisville, is facing trying times. Paying dues to belong to a multifaceted facility is expensive. People are looking for clubs that cater to their specific interests and are willing to offer a la carte service.

"We listened to our members and people in the community," said Club Pro Mike Riley. So, "we are creating a customized country club."

"The days of joining a traditional country club are on their way out," he continued, "so we're reacting to the current business environment. We're trying to be proactive and create a business model that will sustain Standard Country Club for a long time to come."

Standard Club is open for business this summer, and it is offering its members a choice. People can purchase golf-only memberships, swimming-only

memberships or a combination of tennis and swimming memberships.

The biggest change is in the clubhouse. "Use of the clubhouse has declined through the years," Riley said, so, "at least on a temporary basis, the dining operation in the clubhouse will be shut down." The club's management is looking for "other ways to utilize the dining space, but have not finalized anything as of yet." The locker rooms, he added, remain open.

Riley stressed that any functions that have already been booked will be honored, but the club is not accepting reservations for any new events.

"These were not the easiest decisions to be made," Riley stated, "but we feel strongly they are decisions that had to be made to be fiscally responsible for our members."

"The majority of our members are in overwhelming support of the decision," he said, although he recognized that some members used the facility primarily for its dining facilities, and they are disappointed. Riley expressed confidence that the closure is temporary and that "something else will be born out of this clubhouse in the future."

"The response from the local neighborhood with pool membership has been very good," Riley reported. "Once word gets out about what we're offering ... [this plan] will change the landscape for other clubs in the city. This is the direction other clubs will be going and hopefully we'll be setting the stage for it."

"The Board and staff put this plan together," he said, "in hopes that it will lay a plan for a long life for Standard Country Club. We've been around since 1873 and want to see it around for another 140 years."


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ElderServe will honor its retiring CEO **Harriette Friedlander** at its 2013 Champion for the Aging Award Luncheon on Friday, June 14.

Siera Hanks, a junior in the International Baccalaureate Program at Atherton High School, received a University of Virginia Book Award for scholarship, leadership and citizenship, the Daughters of the American Revolution Award for an outstanding student in American History, the World Language Department Award for an outstanding student in Chinese, and the Outstanding Student Award for Theory of Knowledge Studies.

Siera was also selected as one of three students in Jefferson County to address 2400 guests gathered to hear the Dalai Lama at his visit to Louisville in May. She is the daughter of Leslie and Eric Hanks, sister of Kaden Hanks and granddaughter of Brenda Bush and the late Karmen Bush and Rick and Lyn Hanks.

Scott Nussbaum was one of only six people honored with a Gold Level President's Volunteer Service Award at the Louisville Metro Police Department's Awards Banquet on May 10. The Gold Level award was presented for more than 500 hours of volunteer services to the Louisville Metro Police Department in one year.

Jacob Keisler, 16, son of Temple members Amy and Bob Keisler, has achieved Boy Scouting's highest rank, that of Eagle Scout. He reached his goal of Eagle on January 7 and received his Eagle badge during a Court of Honor ceremony on April 14. While his grandfather, Dr. Robert Keisler, and uncles Dr. Morris Weiss and Allan Weiss were both Boy Scouts, Jake is the first mem-



Jacob Keisler

ber of his family to attain the rank of Eagle Scout.

Kate S. Latts was interviewed for the April 26 edition of *Business First*, where she discussed working in a family-owned business – Heaven Hill Distilleries, Inc. – and the challenges of being a woman in a largely male-dominated industry.

Nathan Mauser has recently received his MD degree from the University of Louisville School of Medicine. Nathan will continue his education at the University of Vermont School of Medicine, Department of Orthopedics.

Joshua Mauser has recently graduated from Western Kentucky University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in

Photojournalism. Joshua has already distinguished himself with several publications of his work in such media as Associated Press, Boston.com, ABCnews.com and *Celebrate Kentucky*.

Adam Sachs, son of Bob and Felice Sachs, won two James Beard Awards for journalism, one in the category of Food and Travel and one in Food-related Columns. Adam is a New York-based freelance writer. He is the only journalist to win two James Beard Awards in 2013. His work appears in *Details Magazine*, *Travel & Leisure*, *Bon Appetit* and others. His interview with Matthew McConaughey is the cover story of the April issue of *Details*.

Rothstein to receive Louis D. Brandeis Privacy Award

Patient Privacy Rights, the nation's leading health privacy advocacy organization, will award its annual Louis D. Brandeis Privacy Award to Mark A. Rothstein on June 5 in Washington, DC.

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Mark Rothstein

F. Boehl Chair of Law and Medicine at the University of Louisville School of Medicine, and he also teaches at the Brandeis School of Law of the University of Louisville.

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The other 2013 recipient of the Brandeis Privacy Award is Peter Hustinx of the Netherlands, who is data protections supervisor for the the European Union. The 2012 recipients were Congressman Joe Barton of Texas, Congressman Ed Markey of Massachusetts, and the late Professor Alan Westin of Columbia University.

Palmer-Brandon Prize goes to Bloom

Bloomington, IN – Indiana University junior David Bloom has received the 2013 Palmer-Brandon Prize in the Humanities, one of the most prestigious awards given by the College of Arts and Sciences in Bloomington.

The \$20,000 Palmer-Brandon is given annually to outstanding full-time College of Arts and Sciences humanities majors to support their continued academic, scholarly and creative pursuits. Recipients are considered to be in the top one percent of undergraduates in their discipline.

"David's exceptional academic achievement and his passion for languages and religious studies make him a wonderful choice for the Palmer-Brandon Prize in the Humanities," said Larry Singell, executive dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "He is deeply admired and respected by his teachers and fellow students for his leadership and service in the College, and beyond, while at IU. I look forward to watching him continue to develop as a scholar and an agent of positive change in the world."

Majoring in French, Jewish studies and religious studies with a minor in Hebrew, Bloom's research areas include the conception of self in the Hebrew Bible, the Apocrypha, pseudepigrapha and the Dead Sea Scrolls. A native of Louisville, he intends to become a rabbi.

Bloom credited his interest in his

research areas to a course he took his freshman year that examined concepts of death and the afterlife in ancient Judah.

"We're often trying to reconstruct history from a few sources and ancient texts, and in this class, it was fascinating to see that ancient Israel didn't exist in a vacuum and had a place in this whole culture of ancient near-Eastern societies," he said. "To take these texts and resources and look at them and see how they impacted each other made all these wonderful connections. Unpacking that puzzle made it very exciting and spurred my interest."

Bloom plans to attend Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion where, after a year of study in Jerusalem, he hopes to further his education at the college's Cincinnati campus. The site is home to one of the world's best Jewish libraries, he said.

Bloom is founder and editor-in-chief of the Undergraduate Journal of Jewish Studies, the only completely undergraduate-driven, peer-reviewed and intercollegiate Jewish studies journal in North America.

He is also president and founder of Interfaith Youth Core's Better Together Campaign at IU; winner of the 2011-12 Robert A. and Sandra S. Borns Merit Scholarship in Jewish Studies; recipient of the 2012-13 Sandra and Stanley Trockman Scholarship for Intellectual Engagements and Accomplishments in Jewish Studies; and a 2013 Founders Scholar.

He received the 2012 Albert and Agnes Kuersteiner Memorial Prize, and received first place in the Bill Gallagher Essay Contest through IU's Department of Religious Studies in 2013.



David Bloom

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Mondays

Jewish Family & Career Services (JFCS), in collaboration with The Interview League, has launched a new evening job search workshop, Employment Search Jumpstart.

Employment Search Jumpstart is designed for all folks who need a quick and effective attack, acceleration or upgrade of their employment search and who have other daytime commitments.

Jumpstart, already underway, runs successive Mondays, 5:45-7:15 p.m. through June 17 with the exception of May 27 (Memorial Day). There is a \$10 charge for the entire workshop cycle.

The workshop focuses on multiple job search challenges including resume development, interviewing, social media and networking, employer and workforce research, salary negotiation and more.

Sunday, May 26

Events at Adath Jeshurun: Conversational Hebrew Class at 9 a.m.; Hebrew Reading Crash Course at 10 a.m. At 11 a.m., hear an inspiring story from Wil Craig, a young man who was critically injured in a car crash caused by a motorist who was texting and driving. Please RSVP to Ellen Shaikun at eshaikun@adathjeshurun.com or 417-7625.

Tuesdays starting May 28

Dust off your glove and start getting your legs back into shape – it's time for Synagogue Softball. The Mickey Miller league is looking for players, athletic or not, male or female, ages 17-70. As long as you are at least a rising senior in high school, we'd love to have you. You do not have to be a synagogue member to participate.

Games are on Tuesday evenings beginning May 28. The league plays a nine-game schedule plus the two-week tournament, ending in August. Contact Jeff Slyn if you want to practice or play: TravisTuxy@Bellsouth.net or 426-5469. If your child is away at college, pass the word along or send Jeff your student's name and contact information.

Wednesdays, May 28, and June 4, 11, 18, and 26

The Temple will continue Wednesday Torah Study throughout the summer, 10:45 a.m.-12 noon each week with Rabbi Joe Rooks Rapport. Each session stands on its own merit and no registration is required. Open to the community; the current topic is "The Impact of Biblical Archeology on the Torah Today."

Friday, May 31

Keneseth Israel invites the community to a special Shabbat service for the whole family on Friday, May 31. "B'Yachad" means "together," and together the congregation will share a participatory, multi-generational evening. 2013 school graduates also will be honored. Services begin at 6 p.m. and are followed by a Shabbat dinner. There is no charge for the evening, but reservations are required: programs@kenesethisrael.com or 459-2780.

Saturdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 and July 7

Saturday Torah Study with Rabbi David is held from 9-10 a.m. Meet in the Fishman Library before the morning service to read and discuss the Torah portion of the week over good coffee, bagels, and other treats.

Sunday, June 2

The KI Chai Institute's People of the Book ... Club meets on Sunday, June 2

at 3 p.m. at Keneseth Israel to discuss Marc Zvi Brettler's *How to Read the Jewish Bible* (identical to the earlier published *How to Read the Bible*). Brettler is a Brandeis University Biblical Studies professor who focuses on investigating Biblical text "independently of religious or interpretative traditions," understanding the historical conditions at Biblical times. For more information, call 459-2780 or email kicongregation@kenesethisrael.com.

Sunday, June 2

The Louisville Vaad Hakashruth invites the community to an evening of elegant dining at the Hyatt Regency Louisville on June 2. An elegant dinner will be served at 6 p.m., beginning with hors d'oeuvres. A choice of entrees will include spinach & roasted tomato stuffed chicken with tomato jus, herb roasted beef brisket with thyme sauce, cilantro crusted salmon with lemon wine sauce, and 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 Starr and the Vaad.

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

Thursday, June 6

The Temple hosts their annual meeting, preceded by a spaghetti/chili supper, on Thursday, June 6 at 7 p.m. Highlights of the meeting will be the installation of the following officers: President – Craig Goldstein; Vice President – Matt Schwartz; Vice President – Michael Salamon; Vice President – Shannon Rothschild; Secretary – Christon Segal; Treasurer – Joel Coleman. In addition, Rabbi David Ariel-Joel will be named Senior Rabbi of The Temple.

Sunday, June 9

The Temple Brotherhood hosts a fun-filled day at Bernheim Forest on Sunday, June 9. All members of the community and all ages are invited. Meet at The Temple at 9:30 a.m. and carpool to Bernheim Forest.

Temple member Tom Block, the great grandson of Isaac Bernheim and a member of the Bernheim Forest Board of Trustees, is working with the forest staff to put together a schedule of events for all ages and interests. The day concludes with an ice cream social at the Visitors Center at 3 p.m. There is no gate fee for participants in this event, but lunch will be individually purchased at Bernheim Forest's Isaac's Café. Reservations required to help plan the event. Please call 423-1818 for further details and visit the Bernheim Forest website at bernheim.org.

Sunday, June 23

Art Craft and Treasure Sale at The Temple on Sunday, June 23, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Artists in jewelry, glass, woodworking, fountains, clay, pen lithographs, wearable art, doll clothes, and collectibles. All indoors and air conditioned. Refreshments – baked goods, hot dogs, chips, soft drinks and water. Brought to you by The Temple's Women of Reform Judaism. Admission is free. The Temple, 5101 U.S. Highway 42, Louisville, KY.

Sunday, June 30

Young children and parents are invited to PJ Library's June event in the JCC Children's Lounge, Sunday, June 30, 10 - 11 a.m. Listen to the featured book, *The Littlest Pair*, then make a bird feeder while we talk about taking care of animals, being nice to each other, and remembering that words can hurt. Cost is just \$5; RSVP to Jennifer Tuvlin at jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org or 238-2719.

At your convenience

World Blood Donor Day is June 14, and the American Red Cross is joining blood centers around the world in reminding eligible donors that giving blood year-round is vital to ensuring a sufficient blood supply to meet patient needs.

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B'not Mitzvah



Hannah Claire McCurry

Hannah Claire McCurry, daughter of Anna Feitelson and Terry McCurry, and sister to Emily, Caroline, and Parker, will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Satur-

day June 1, at 10:30 a.m. at The Temple. Hannah is the granddaughter of Anne and Philip Feitelson and Joan and Terry McCurry, Sr.

Hannah is in the seventh grade at Kentucky Country Day School, where she is a member of the field hockey and lacrosse teams. She enjoys skiing with her great aunt and uncle, listening to music, and spending time with friends.

Hannah is participating in the Pledge 13 program and has been volunteering at VIPS (the Visually Impaired Preschool). She is also collecting school and art supplies for the school as part of her Mitzvah project.

Hannah and her family invite the community to help celebrate her bat mitzvah and to enjoy the Kiddush luncheon to follow.



Jenna Nicole Lanzet

Jenna Nicole Lanzet, daughter of Jeffery and Lisa Lanzet and sister of Lauren, will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Saturday, June 8, at 10:30 a.m. at The

Temple. Jenna is the granddaughter of Judith Collier and Norman Goluskin, the late Judy Lanzet and the late Monroe Lanzet.

Jenna is in the seventh grade at North Oldham Middle School, where she is a member of the Beta Club, the Dance Team and the middle school band. Jenna loves to dance and is on the competition dance team for Dance Designs, competing in Jazz, Lyrical and Hip Hop. Jenna enjoys reading, music, and spending time with her friends.

Jenna has decided to volunteer at the Epilepsy Foundation for her mitzvah project. She would like to help those with epilepsy and draw attention to this disease that impacts so many, including a family friend.

Jenna and her family invite the community to celebrate her bat mitzvah.

Obituaries

Emory Joseph Kaplan

Emory Joseph Kaplan, 65, passed away on Monday, April 1. He was born on February 21, 1948, in Louisville, KY, son of the late Joseph J. Kaplan and Marie (Straus) Kaplan. He was his high school class president and member of the infamous musical trio The Playboys, who proudly achieved a pinnacle of success with an appearance on the Ted Mac Amateur Hour. Emory graduated from Yale University in 1970, graduated Tufts Medical School in 1974, and completed his residency in Pediatrics at the University of Michigan. In 1977, he moved to Nashua, NH, to join Matthew Thornton Health Plan, the first HMO in New Hampshire. In 1990, he founded Kaplan & McNamee Pediatrics, where he practiced medicine until his retirement in December 2007.

During the course of his career, Emory's contributions included being Division Chair of Foundation Medical Partner's Department of Pediatrics, Chief of Staff at Southern New Hampshire Medical Center, and Vice President of the NH Pediatric Society. He was a beloved and well-respected member of the medical community, and his love of children and pediatrics is reflected in his years of dedicated care for thousands of New Hampshire's children.

Outside of his practice, he enjoyed music and the outdoors. He was an avid hunter and considered an excellent marksman. Emory was a devoted husband, father, stepfather, and friend and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by his wife, Susan McNamee; son, Benjamin Kaplan, of Washington, D.C.; daughter, Betsy Kaplan, of Rougemont, NC; daughters Julia and Alise Kaplan; stepdaughter, Kate McNamee, of Washington, D.C.; stepson, Pete McNamee, of Washington, D.C.; stepdaughter, Elizabeth McNamee; brother, Jules Kaplan, of Chicago, IL; and many nieces and nephews.

In memory of Dr. Kaplan, please consider giving support to Dr. Anna Poduri, Neurology Research Fund at Boston Children's Hospital. Contributions can

be made online at www.childrenshospital.org/tribute. Checks made payable to Boston Children's Hospital can be mailed to Children's Hospital Trust, Attn: Mary Conway, 401 Park Drive, Suite 602, Boston, MA 02215.



Janet Greenbaum

Janet Greenbaum, 82, died Wednesday, April 2. Born November 9, 1930 in Rotterdam, Netherlands, she was raised by her grandparents in Schiedam, Netherlands,

while her father was at sea, a captain on a freighter, and remained at sea during WWII. They lived under Nazi occupation with little food or comfort. After the war, she immigrated to the U.S. with her brother to be with her father and stepmother. She studied nursing at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York, where she became a registered nurse. In 1962, she moved to Louisville and continued her devoted work as a nurse in a nursing facility. She later joined her husband at Milton Greenbaum & Associates. She was a former president of Brith Shalom Sisterhood and an instrumental founding member of Temple Shalom.

She is survived by her loving husband, Milton M. Greenbaum; her son, Sandy R. Greenbaum (Vivian); her brother, Adrian Troelman; two half-sisters in Australia; a foster son, Robert Rothman (Kim); two grandchildren, Sam Z. and Madeline W. Greenbaum; and a foster grandchild, Haleigh.

Burial was in Cave Hill Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy may go to Temple Shalom Endowment Fund or donor's favorite charity.

Miriam Melon

Miriam Melon, 87, of Lauderhill, Florida, passed away peacefully at home on April 20 after a short illness. She was the daughter of Ben and Clara Hornstein of Newark.

She was married to Rubie Melon for 58 years. A resident of West Orange for over 30 years, Miriam moved to Florida in 1992. She is survived by her sisters Frieda Greenstein and Helene Siegel, her children Michael, Laura and Bill Melon, and grandchildren Zachary, Sophia, Grace and Jack.

Known for her fundraising efforts for Autism Speaks, Miriam was beloved by all who knew her.

Carole Lutnick

Carole Lutnick, of Louisville, passed away peacefully at home, May 4, with her two children by her side. She owned one of the first plant shops in Louisville and created a home full of orchids, plants and an abundance of love.

Carole was preceded in death by her best friend and husband, Carl.

She is survived by her son, Jack; her daughter, Alix; her mother, Beverly G. Lowenthal; her brothers Andy (Stacey) and Terry (Angela) Gordon; her sister, Ronna (Barry) Siegel; and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends. She will be remembered and celebrated with love.

Burial was in Adath Jeshurun Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to Hosparus, 3532 Ephraim McDowell Drive, Louisville, KY, 40205, or donor's favorite charity.

Ruth Goldman Smiley

Ruth Goldman Smiley died Saturday, May 4, after a short illness. Born August 11, 1918, she was the first child of Samuel and Altie Bertha (Winick) Goldman, in Utica, NY. She grew up in Auburn, in New York State's Finger Lakes Region. She attended Ohio State University and was a member of Phi Epsilon Pi Sorority. In Auburn she met the love of her life, Joseph Smiley. They married in May, 1942, the wedding having been moved up from June because Joe had been drafted.

Ruth and Joe lived in Binghamton, Syracuse, Pittsburgh, and for nearly half a century in Rochester, NY. She came to Louisville in 2011 to be near her family after illness set in.

Ruth read four papers a day until forced down to two by the demise of afternoon newspapers. She followed fashion and style as well as current events, but her great passions were her home and her large extended family. Always a central store of information, she became keeper of the stories that are central to family life. In older age she inspired others with her courage, intelligence, indomitable will, and love of life. She was a beautiful child and an even more beautiful woman, all the way to the end.

Ruth is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Joe; and her brothers, Jack, Charles and Bill. She is survived by her beloved daughter and son-in-law, Gail (Smiley) and Robert B. Koach of Louisville; her sister, Adele Lucas of Riverside, CA; sister-in-law, Marilyn Goldman of Rochester, NY; and many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends, from coast to coast.

The family wishes to thank the wonderful staff at Parris/Springhurst Pines for their loving care and to the palliative caregivers at the Episcopal Church Home.

Burial was in Fort Hill Cemetery, Auburn, NY. Local arrangements were entrusted to Herman Meyer & Son, Louisville, KY, and Langham Funeral Home in Auburn.

The family asks that expressions of sympathy be made to The Jewish Hospital in Denver, CO, Temple B'rith Kodesh in Rochester, NY, or to donor's favorite charity.

Max P. Kreitman

Max P. Kreitman, 88, passed away Tuesday, May 14. He was the longtime owner of Strathmoor Market on Bardstown Road, a graduate of Male High School, an Army veteran of WWII, past master of St. George Lodge #239 F&AM, member of the Odom Club, a former sexton for Keneseth Israel Cemetery and a member of Keneseth Israel Congregation.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara; his daughters, Ellen (Jeff) Sadur and Eileen Kaplan; his sister, Toby Cohen; and his grandchildren, Michael, Jonathan, Adam and Melanie.

He is preceded in death by his son, Lloyd Kreitman; and his brothers, David, Emanuel and Jacob.

Burial was in Keneseth Israel Cemetery. Herman Meyer & Son handled arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may go to Keneseth Israel Congregation.





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D'VAR TORAH

by Rabbi Michael Wolk

I write this article right after completing the holiday of Shavuot. The third of the three ancient pilgrimage festivals, Shavuot is traditionally believed to be the day when the people of Israel stood at Mount Sinai, accepted the words of the Torah, and entered into a formal relationship with God.

Unlike the festivals of Passover and Sukkot, Shavuot does not have visible symbols like the Lulav or the Matzah that capture people's attention. On the secular calendar, the holiday always occurs as we approach the end of the

school year and the beginning of summer. Every year, it seems to me that a Jewish malaise sets in at this season and stretches until the High Holidays in September. It's easy to put our Jewish activities and pursuits on the back burner because there are few major events on the calendar.

I think that Shavuot serves as a reminder to us how, as individuals, we can retain our zeal over the long hot days of summer. Shavuot reminds us of the importance of personal study in Judaism. We are encouraged to be life-long learners; always seeking to deepen our knowledge and understanding of our sacred traditions and history. Before the holiday, I was struck by an article by Rabbi Mishael Zion, who serves as the director of the Bronfman Youth Fellowships program. Rabbi Zion gives five

suggestions for making Jewish study a meaningful part of your life.

Kevah – Study needs to be something regular in your life. You should have a set time to study, goals and benchmarks that you would like to reach. Most importantly, you should celebrate when you reach those goals.

Canon – Traditionally Torah study was limited to certain books such as the tractates of the Talmud. Today, it can include a whole host of different fields such as Jewish music, history, or literature. Pick the area that interests you and make the books in that field your sacred canon.

Hevruta – Learning is the most effective when we do it with a good friend or study partner. Choose a person who you enjoy spending time with and you hope to learn from.

Hiddush – Put yourself into what you are studying and make sure that you arrive at some new insights that you did not have before. It does no good to see the same material over and over again without thinking about what you are studying.

Action – The Talmud teaches "Great is learning that leads to action." Judaism is a religion of actions. We study more so that we can be more fulfilled by our religion. Take what you study seriously.

Jewish study is not something that comes easily to many people, but like so many other activities ... you only get something out of it when you are willing to put something into it.

I'll take this opportunity to shamelessly promote my weekly class on the Torah portion that meets Wednesdays at 11 a.m. in the JCC coffee shop. We have a devoted group that comes together to discuss the weekly Torah reading together with ancient and modern commentaries. I invite you to join us.

Best wishes for a relaxing, yet productive summer!

Shabbat candles should be lit May 24 at 8:36 p.m., May 31 at 8:45 p.m., June 7 at 8:45 p.m., June 14 at 8:49 p.m., June 21 at 8:51 p.m. and June 28 at 8:52 p.m.

Editor's note: Rabbi Michael Wolk, the rabbi of Keneseth Israel Congregation (Conservative), has volunteered to provide Torah commentaries for Community.

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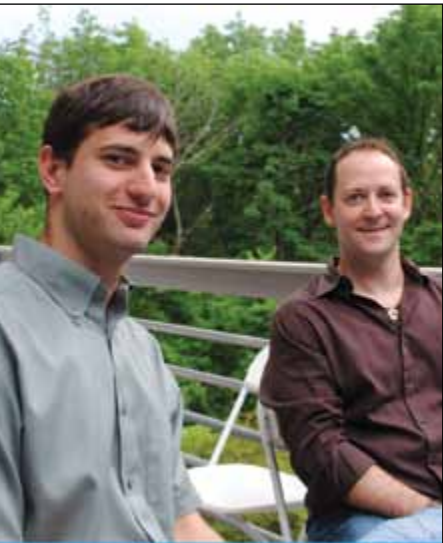
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Ben Gurion Society marks end of Campaign with dinner at the Salamons



Kim Schwartz and Faina Kronenberg



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Ben Gurion Society Chairs Michael and Beth Salamon welcomed members of the group to their home on Saturday, May 18, for dinner and drinks and to thank them for their leadership gifts to the 2013 Federation Campaign.

The Salamons recognized the members of the group as today's leaders in the Young Adult Division (YAD) and tomorrow's leaders of the Louisville Jewish Community. They also thanked YAD Director Tzivia Levin for her hard work.



Terry McCurry and Michael Salamon



Ben Breier and Andy Shapira

YAD Chair Ariel Kronenberg also thanked the group and took advantage of the opportunity them to announce that Beth Salamon will receive the Joseph J. Kaplan Young Leadership Award and Ben Vaughan will receive the Lewis W. Cole Memorial Young Leadership Award. Both awards will be presented at the Jewish Community of Louisville's Annual Meeting, Monday, June 3, at 7 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center. (See stories, page 5 and 7.)



Ben Gurion chairs and event hosts Beth and Michael Salamon

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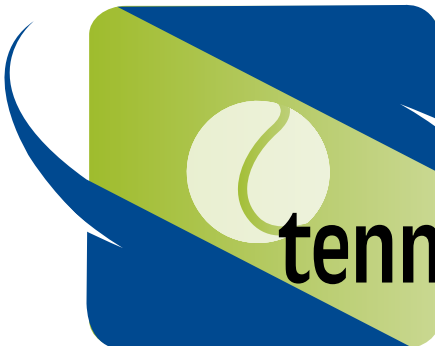


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Above, Bailey Haskell and Becca Lusignolo



At right, Rachel White, Jeremy Gantz, Katie Moss and Ari Sabes



Ilya Lyalin, Perry Factor, Jeremy Gantz and Josh Goodman