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CenterStage wins four awards at the inaugural Louisville Broadway World Awards.

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Party Planned for JCC's 125 Birthday

The JCC is celebrating 125 years in the Louisville community. Generations of people have considered the JCC an important part of their lives and continue to do so. You are invited to celebrate with birthday cake and a special guest of honor on March 29 at the JCC.

The event will take place at 4:30 p.m. after the final performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*, and all are welcome to join.

"We want to bring people together to celebrate their second home," said Sara Wagner, senior vice president and chief operations officer of the JCC. "The JCC continues to be a place where people grow, learn and connect with others. Each person has a unique experience that together creates the larger vibrant and caring JCC community."

A special guest of honor will be longtime staff member Annette Sagerman, who worked at the JCC for 65 years. "An-

nette was a part of our childhood. She welcomed every person with a smiling face and open arms to the JCC family. We could not celebrate our 125 years without including Annette," said Joanie Lustig, co-chair of the 125 celebration.

"The JCC's success has always been driven by passionate people. Annette represents hundreds or thousands of staff and volunteers who devoted themselves to making the JCC extra special. I am so glad Annette will be part of the March 29 event," Wagner said.

The JCC is also collecting memories and hopes that are "Honoring the past, shaping the future" on a wall in the lobby. Everyone can share their dreams on bricks which will be hung on the wall. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Mary Jean Timmel at 502-238-2722 or mjtimmel@jewishlouisville.org.

JCC Adding Tennis and Additional Pool Options

by Shiela Wallace
Community Editor

The Jewish Community Center is always striving to enhance members' experiences and looks for opportunities to partner with other organizations in the community. For this summer, the JCC is able to do both.

Working closely with the leadership of the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence (JHFE) and the Standard Club, the JCC has developed two add-on packages for its members – one for tennis and one for swimming – to run from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

The JCC currently does not offer tennis on its Dutchmans Lane campus, and there are five clay courts available at Standard Club. This summer, for a \$150 add-on fee, JCC members will be able to use the Standard Club courts. Participants in this program will also be able to participate in tennis clinics and other organized activities at reduced rates.

For those JCC members who would like an additional option for summer swimming, the JCC is offering an add-on pool package for \$300, providing the option of swimming at either location.

"We are proud of the breadth of quality experiences our JCC provides and would like to expand our reach into the community by offering additional programs at Standard Club throughout the year," said Sara Wagner, senior vice president and chief operating officer. "The JCC program cabinet has discussed a variety of opportunities, and details will be available soon. Taking JCC programs to new locations introduces our programs to a new market."

"Following this summer's add-on opportunities," she continued, "we look forward to learning from the experience about the best ways to serve the needs of our members and the community."

The opportunity for the JCC to offer

programming at the Standard Club site arose when the Standard Country Club ceased its clubhouse operations and Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence purchased the property. Standard Club still operates the golf course, pool and tennis courts. The JCC is partnering with both agencies for this summer's programs.

To purchase your add-on membership for tennis and/or swimming at Standard Club this summer, stop by the Membership Department at the JCC or call 502-238-2721.

Some JCC Summer Camp Weeks Already Filled



By Lisa Hornung
Communication Specialist

If you want to get your child into summer camp at the JCC, you'd better act fast – several of the summer camps have sold out. But there are still plenty of opportunities for summer camp fun!

Camp enrollment has more than tripled over the registration numbers this time last year, said Mary Dooley, JCC program and camp assistant.

Camps that are full are the cooking camps for grades 1-3 and the Lego Minecraft camp for grades 1-3. Those camps now have a waiting list. There are still openings for cooking and Lego Minecraft for grades 4-6.

"This is the earliest we've waitlisted camps," said Betsy Schwartz, senior director of camp and youth services. "And we have several that are on the cusp of being waitlisted because some camps

can only accommodate a small number of campers."

The reason camp is selling fast? Because last year was amazing!

"Campers had such a great experience last year, so they want to make sure they're enrolled early this year," Schwartz said. "We don't want any kids to lose out on their first choice of camp, but our space is limited. Kids want what they want."

Some of the specialty camps offered this year include The Mighty Titan Obstacle Course, Nutty Scientists, Girls Just Wanna Have Fun, Clash of Bricks, Wiley Brown Basketball Camp, Water World, Spotlight Youth Musical Theater and more. Children with special needs can join the fun, too, with our Yachad program.

For more information or to enroll in JCC's summer camp, visit www.jccloisvillecamp.org.



CenterStage's *Fiddler on the Roof*, presented by Hilliard Lyons, is a smash hit with audiences. The show runs until March 29. Most shows are selling out, but tickets are available by calling 502-238-2709 or visiting www.CenterStageJCC.org. See Review, page 12.

JCC PASSOVER HOURS

Friday, April 35:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday, April 4..... JCC Closed
Thursday, April 95:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
Friday, April 10 JCC Closed

The Business Office will be closed on Sunday, April 5 and Saturday, April 11.

All group fitness classes scheduled after Noon are canceled on Friday, April 3 and Thursday, April 9

Gators to Prepare for Summer with Spring Swim Session



JCC GATORS SPRING SWIM TEAM

Practices on:
Mondays.....6-7 p.m.
Fridays5:30-6:30 p.m.
Saturdays11:30 a.m.-12:35 p.m.

JCC Member Prices
1 day a week.....\$25
2 days a week.....\$50
3 days a week.....\$75

To register, visit www.jccoflouisville.org or call 502-459-0660.

By Lisa Horunung
Communication Specialist

With all the cold and snow we've had this winter, summertime swim meets may seem like a distant dream. But spring is right around the corner, and swimmers should think about getting prepared with the Gators Spring Swim session at the JCC.

"This is a chance for swimmers to get conditioned and practice for the summer, as well as meet some of our new coaches," said Johnny Kimberlin, aquatics director. There will be no competition in the spring session, which runs

April 13-May 9.

Immediately after the spring session comes the pre-season, then the summer season of the Louisville Swim Association Division 3 team begins on May 26.

Swimmers can sign up to swim one to three days per week in the spring session, Kimberlin said.

The coaches for this Spring will be new Head Coach Spencer Scarth, Rachel Sheets, Audrey Thomas and Austin Clark.

"I'm really excited to get the kids in the pool and start practice," Scarth said. "The sooner the swimmers get started, the better they will perform in our summer meets."

BRIDAL BOOTCAMP

MONDAYS, APRIL 6-27
from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Instructor: Greta Coomes

Fee: \$72, JCC Members Only



FUNCTIONAL MOVEMENT EXERCISE PROGRAM

APRIL 7-28, 2015

TUESDAYS 5-6 P.M.

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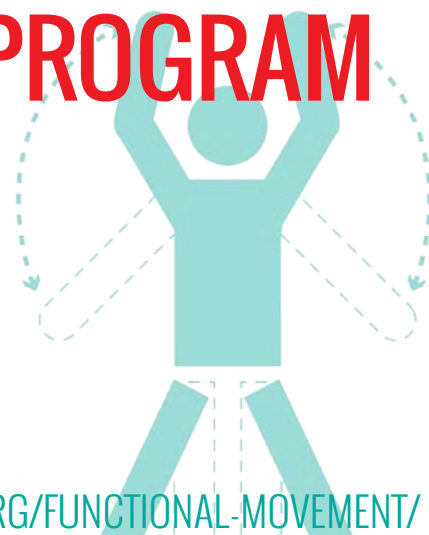
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FEE: \$72

JCC MEMBERS ONLY

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WWW.JEWISHLouisville.org/functional-movement/



PARENTS NIGHT OUT



For infants-6th grade.
Snacks will be provided,
bring your own dinner.

March. 28

Theme: Garden
5:30-9:30 p.m.

Fee: \$30, + \$10 per additional child*

JCC Member Fee: \$20, + \$10 per additional child*

* Children must be from the same household.

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

www.jewishlouisville.org/family-programming

NEW

A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!



April 12, 2-4 p.m.

Admission:

1 can of food

Across the globe, all in one day, Jewish teens join each other to make their community and the world a better place.

Open to all Jewish Louisville teens,
grades 6-12



Register online today!

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Chair Massage

only \$10

from JCC's Licensed
Massage Therapists

No appointment
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Stress Free Spring

April 6-18

Contact the Health & Wellness Desk
today for more details.

502-238-2727

Les Misérables Takes Home Four Awards at Louisville Broadway World Awards



Jeremy Moon (Jean Valjean) and Margo Wooldridge (Cosette) in *Les Misérables*.

Louisville boasts a vibrant arts community with over 40 theater companies. For a number of years, the theater companies have been asking for an awards ceremony to celebrate the great work they do.

This year, that dream was realized. Broadway World, a web-based theater promotion organization that boasts groups in every major American city came to Louisville and worked with local media people to create the Louisville Broadway World Awards.

When all the nominations were in and

all the votes were tallied, CenterStage's production of *Les Misérables* swept the local awards. CenterStage Artistic Director John Leffert was named Best Director and Monty Fields, Best Actor. Theresa Bagan was singled out for Best Lighting Design and Simmons Faulk for Best Set Design.

The competition was stiff: 169 individuals, 76 productions and 31 companies were nominated and 17,000 votes were cast.

The next public nomination period will open in October.

CenterStage Season Tickets Selling Fast

By Lisa Hornung
Communication Specialist

CenterStage's 2015-16 season is off to a rollicking start, with season tickets getting snatched up quickly. If you want to make sure you have a spot, you'd better buy yours right away.

"We expect to sell out season tickets this year," said Lenae Price, CenterStage development and outreach manager. "There are only so many seats in the theater, and they are going fast."

Some nights are already nearly sold out.

The biggest draw for the season tickets this year is the recent purchase of new chairs for the auditorium, Price said. The chairs were debuted in *Fiddler on the Roof* to great acclaim. "Especially for those longer musicals, some people were hesitant to sit in those awful chairs we had before. These chairs remain comfortable no matter how long the show is."

Another big draw is the VIP lounge, Price added. Started this year, the VIP lounge allows customers to sit comfortably and enjoy refreshments before the show and be escorted into the show before the people in line. Those seats are selling fast, too.

"It's a really good value because even with the season tickets and the extra donation for the VIP lounge, each ticket is still only about \$23," Price said. "And you don't have to wait in line."

The season itself is, of

course, what has people the most interested, Price added. "It's our most diverse season ever," she said. "There is really something for everyone this season."

This year's shows are *The Who's Tommy*, 9 to 5 *The Musical*, *Oliver!*, *Big Fish*, *How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying*, *Patsy Cline: A Life in Concert* and *The Rocky Horror Show*.

Season tickets for all seven shows are \$112 each, with an optional VIP upgrade for \$52. Tickets are non-refundable, but may be exchanged in person or by mail prior to the show date and if tickets for the requested performance are available. Tickets can only be exchanged for other performances of the ticketed show.

For more information or to purchase season tickets contact Anne Ensign-Urteaga at 502-238-2773 or visit www.CenterStageJCC.org.

CENTERSTAGE 2015-16 SEASON

The Who's Tommy	July 9-19, 2015
9 to 5 the Musical	Aug. 20-30, 2015
Oliver!	Oct. 22-Nov. 8, 2015
Big Fish	Jan. 28-Feb. 14, 2016
How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying	March 31-April 10, 2016
Patsy Cline: A Life in Concert	May 11-22, 2016
The Rocky Horror Show	May 12-21, 2016

Season subscriptions range from 5-7 shows and include your choice of shows. Subscriptions cost \$85-\$112 per seat, a savings of up to 30% per ticket. Season passes include priority seating up to 15 minutes before curtain. VIP Season Subscribers receive first priority seating and reserved seating up to 15 minutes before curtain, complimentary concessions and recognition in the payroll. To purchase season tickets and read show descriptions, visit www.CenterStageJCC.org or call 502-238-2773.

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20 MONTHS - 6TH GRADE

APRIL 6-9 2015

JCC Louisville SPRING CAMP

INTRODUCING "THE FIVE SENSES"

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JEWISH BEDTIME STORIES & SONGS FOR FAMILIES

PJ Passover Story Time

Sunday, March 29, at 10-11 a.m.
At the JCC, Children's Place
\$5 per child/\$10 maximum per family

Grape Juice tasting, make your own Elijah's cup, snacks and, of course, PJ Library Passover Stories.

To register, contact Jennifer Tuvlin at 502-238-2719 or jtuvlin@jewishlouisville.org

Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration to Feature Israeli Shuk, Dinner

Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrates the independence of Israel, and this year, BBYO will lead the community in the celebration with a picnic and cross-cultural fun.

BBYO is hosting a group of Israeli teens who will visit Louisville, staying in homes with members, said Mike Steklof, teen director. They will visit schools and try to get as clear a picture of what it's like to be an American teenager, while BBYO members will learn from their visitors what it's like to be an Israeli teen.

The visit will culminate with a Shuk festival at the JCC on April 22, to which all are invited, Steklof said.

The shuk festival celebrates the Israeli shuk, or marketplace. American and Is-

raeli children will staff each station on the JCC campus.

"It's very exciting for BBYO to partner with Israeli teens, who will give insight into what it's like to be a teenager in Israel," Steklof said. "It's a great way to foster international friendships."

It will be a fun family festival with food, games and activities.

Simona Koren, the leader of the delegation from Israel, is a high school drama and theater teacher from Acco (Acre), Israel. She will also sing with Lee Koren and Metar Katz.

There will be an Israeli dinner. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children and free for ages 2 and younger.

HEALTHY HAPPY HOUR

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15
6:30-8 P.M.
in the JCC Patio Gallery

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SENIOR CALENDAR

THE JCC NUTRITION PROGRAM WILL BE CLOSED FROM FRIDAY, APRIL 3 THROUGH FRIDAY, APRIL 10.

NORMAL SCHEDULE WILL RESUME ON MONDAY, APRIL 13TH.

MARCH 24
Bingo, 12:45 p.m.

MARCH 29
Lunch & Show-Fiddler on the Roof:
Lunch, 12:15 p.m., Show, 2 p.m.

Join us as CenterStage celebrates 100 years and the JCC 125 years!

We will first have lunch catered by Gerry Burns followed by the wonderful musical Fiddler on the Roof.

Reservations and payment due by Friday, March 20!

Cost of lunch & ticket: \$25/JCC & ASCM, \$32/NM, lunch only \$12

MARCH 31
Bingo, 12:45 p.m.

APRIL 1
Intergenerational, Interfaith Model
Seder, 4:30-7 p.m.

Cantor Hordes from Keneseth Israel and the Hebrew School students will join us for this annual event.

After the service, dinner will be served. This annual event is sponsored by the Judith Bensinger Senior Adult Fund & the Bensinger family in memory of Judith Bensinger.

Cost: \$7

Call 238-2743 to make your reservations!

APRIL 20
Gourmet Dining Club, 5:30 p.m.

Join us at Bonefish Grill (postponed from earlier date) for dinner.

Cost of transportation: \$6/M, \$8/NM

APRIL 23
Day trip to Outlet Shoppes of the
Bluegrass, leave JCC at 11 a.m.

Join us for day of shopping or just browsing the new outlet mall in Simpsonville, KY. We will first have lunch at Science Hill in Shelbyville, Kentucky followed a visit to the Outlet Mall in Simpsonville.

Cost of transportation: \$10/JCCM, ASCM, \$15/NM.

APRIL 21
Sing-along with Mary & Mila-12:45
p.m.

APRIL 28
Bingo, 12:45 p.m.



CENTERSTAGE
ACADEMY
PRESENTS

Seussical Jr.

Performances
Thursday, April 23 at 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 25 at 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 26 at 2 p.m.

Tickets: \$12 adults, \$7 children (10 and under)

www.CenterStageJCC.org/Academy | 502-238-2720

Family Movie Night



Cloudy with a chance of Meatballs
April 7, 2015 | 6:15 p.m.

Enjoy a movie in the upper gym with free popcorn. Beverages will be available for purchase.