

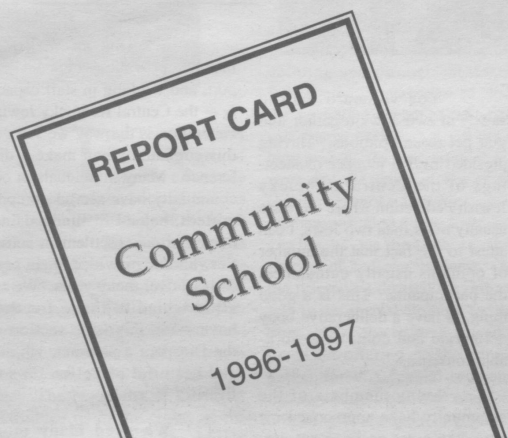


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First Community Religious School makes the grade

This fall was the beginning of a new experience for over 40 of central Kentucky's eighth,

ninth, and tenth grade religious school students. They were enrolled in the area's first combined religious school, now known as the Community School. The Central Kentucky Jewish Federation provided funding, and Rabbis Slaton and Adland worked together to form the structure and curriculum of the new school. Following is a report written by one of the school's teachers, Evelyn Dantzie Geller.

Before I retired, my daily contact with students allowed me access to a wide range of student attitudes and behaviors regarding such vital issues as sex and sexuality, the "rights" of people to live or not to live, abortion, and the legitimacy of assisted suicide. I know that young people spend a great deal of time considering and discussing the "rights" and "wrongs" of these questions.

In addition, I have a long standing academic interest in ethics; I've even presented a paper at a national meeting on ethnic and ethical aspects of



Students in the Community School's tenth grade



Evelyn Dantzie Geller

assisted suicide. These two factors, coupled with my love of teaching and for young people, led to my hope of finding a way of helping our youth learn the Jewish points of view on these matters. In fact, for several years I've thought about teaching a mini-course or a Shabbaton course titled *Sex, Suicide, and Stuff Like That* to high school aged students in our Jewish community.

Along came the newly organized community high school, and I thought my prayers had been answered!! Not quite. The curriculum for the year had been set and the only course left for me to teach was on *Finding*

G-d. With some trepidation I signed on to teach that course.

The experience of teaching this class has been wonderful. The students, admittedly some more than others, participate enthusiastically and well. When given a reading assignment, most of them complete it, and their discussion of these materials reveals very good comprehension of the information read.

The students are tolerant of my views and of those expressed by other students. This in no way means that we all come to a mutual agreement about every topic. Never! But I sense an acceptance of the idea that it is OK to express diverse opinions about such questions as "What

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Nazi expert speaks at CKJF's Major Gifts Event

by Joel Eizenstat

The 1997 UJA/Federation Annual Campaign will kick off with our *Major Gifts Event* on Sunday, March 2, 1997. The *Event* will be held at the Greenbrier Golf & Country Club. This year's speaker will be Mr. John Loftus.

During the Carter and Reagan administrations, attorney John Loftus was a prosecutor with the Justice Department's Nazi War Crimes Unit. There he discovered top secret documents revealing that the Nazis he had been assigned to prosecute were working for NATO intelligence.

Loftus resigned from the Justice Department and exposed the shocking scandal on an Emmy Award winning segment of *60 Minutes*. In 1982, he received CIA clearance to publish his first book, *The Belarus Secret*.

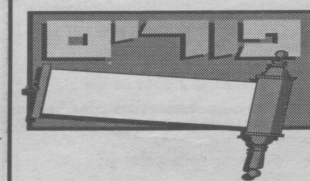
During the last ten years, John Loftus has been an international advisor on Nazi prosecution, authored several books and articles, and received numerous humanitarian awards. In 1992 he co-authored *Unholy Trinity*, a history of how the Vatican helped Nazi smuggling

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Richard & Barbara Grossman on the death of Richard's mother, Minnie Grossman.

**Deadline for
the April issue
of Shalom is
Friday,
March 14.**

Where is Walt?

Walt Barbour, former manager of Randall's on Romany Road, is now co-owner and operator of Pantry Fresh Market.



Walt Barbour

Walt is arguably the most highly regarded grocery store personality in Lexington. When Krogers took over the Randall's chain of stores, rallies were held to maintain Walt and the Romany Road store as it existed.

Those efforts failed and Walt subsequently left Krogers. Now Walt Barbour is back serving the Lexington community.

Walt can be found at the Pantry Fresh location on Henry Clay at Liberty Road.



The President's Spot

by Tomas Milch H.

Serving as a Board member, providing volunteer support, and working in staff capacity at the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation is the way we Jews in this community can make a difference. Many individuals in our community have served on committees, helped in fund raising, helped in our resettlement activities, and/or provided their sage counsel over many years. We are all indebted to them, for they have made this little section of the Diaspora a pleasant, vibrant, and beautiful place for Jews to live.

We need many more people involved to continue to build this community. Your ideas, your volunteer work, your financial support, your involvement is the stuff that this community needs. You too should do your part. Make a difference, PARTICIPATE! Call you Board member, our staff, or me, and give us a hand and both your opinions so we can take this community forward.

You've heard the old saw: Put two Jews together and you get three opinions. Having presided over a number of meetings of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation where there are usually more than two Jews, I can attest to the fact that the number of opinions usually outnumbers the participants. This is a good thing, to have a deliberative body deliberate and come to a workable consensus.

Many members of the community have approached me regarding a pet peeve, a pet project, a personal concern, and questions about the activities at the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. I'm always glad to hear from all of you. But please do not forget the rest of the Board members and the very able staff of your Federation. They are your friends, neighbors, and fellow Jews. And they are all willing to lend an ear, present your ideas, voice your concerns, and answer your questions.

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TORAH COMMENTARY

The Torah portions in the month of March conclude the reading of the book of Exodus and begin the reading of the book of Leviticus. The portions at the end of Exodus are primarily concerned with the building of the Tabernacle and all of the important vessels and implements necessary for running and maintaining the cultic activities of the people. The beginning of Leviticus introduce us to the realm of the sacrificial laws that the people and priests used as a vehicle for a relationship with God. Though often this part of the Torah is maligned as being tedious, boring, outdated, unimportant, unworthy of being studied, I believe that our arrogance may force us to miss a great opportunity for considering the notion of exaltation and holiness.

When I read these chapters of Torah, Exodus 25-Leviticus 8, there is a sense of calm in the Torah. No longer are we fleeing our enemies. There are no revolts or dissension. Brothers aren't killing brothers, and dysfunctional family units disappear. Here we have artists working to create their most important work. Here we find kohanim, priests, in direct relationship with God, communicating with God about thanks and atonement. Here God tells the people to be generous in their contributions of precious metals for the work on the Tabernacle and the people bring so much that they are told to stop and not bring anymore. Here God tells Moses to tell Bezalel to be the best artist he can be in his work on the Tabernacle. And at the end of this section, Aaron and his sons are ordained as priests in a moving, symbolic, and spiritual ceremony.

Holiness and exaltation

are found in these chapters. Through the work of our hands in building and through the sacrifices on the Temple altar to God, we are bound up with God. Our self-perception is that we are a holy people. By the beauty of our work and the pleasing odor of the sacrificial smoke that rises up to the heavens, God looks down and smiles as we engage in this process of *kedusha*, holiness. As the priests are dressed for ordination in the special clothing for the moment, as the animals are prepared for offering, as the people gather for this special moment, one can almost hear the sound of breathing in the gathering throng as only uttered words would pierce the holy moment.

What do we do in our lives today to create the kind of atmosphere necessary to build a tabernacle of peace and find a pathway to God that is sincere, direct, and immediate. Creating holy space is a trial testing our ability to put aside time in our busy lives to accommodate the spiritual. It could be periods of meditation. It could be the tradition of praying three times a day as does the observant Jewish community. It could be taking a moment each day to reflect, ponder or consider what needs to be done, what deeds are unfinished, tasks not completed.

Our homes can be conceived of and made to reflect the spirit of holy space. By placing a mezzuzah on the doorposts of our house, hanging Jewish art on our walls, keeping out in plain sight the ritual objects we use during the festival seasons, and lining our shelves with Jewish books, we build for ourselves our own Jewish tabernacle. Yet, as we learned in the Torah portions, just as we build the Tabernacle, we must also work to bring God's presence into the sanctuary.

Creating holy space may also be what we do within our homes, making them into a Temple, our dining table our altar. There is a certain beauty

and spirituality involved in saying a blessing before eating a meal. Rather than just sitting down and chowing down, thanking God for what we have, for the labors that brought it to our table, nature which worked to create it, and God who is the source of all creation puts eating a meal into a different perspective. It transforms the food on our table into the eating of an offering which we have brought before God.

The confines of our homes are also holy space when we observe the traditions and rituals of our people at holy times and joyful times, and at times of sadness. Seeing a table set for a Shabbat meal, sitting down at a table which has been prepared to observe Pesach, watching the Hanuka candles burn down, listening to the sounds of the Tzedakah coins drop into the box, or participating in a minyan at a house of mourning are all ways we can create holy space. God's presence exists everywhere. It is our actions, our deeds, our words, our prayers, that transform the presence of God into the holiness of God's presence.

I believe that verses at the end of Exodus capture the essence of the holy presence of God drawn into a special place because God's people's hands labored and built this house for God. It says, "When Moses had finished the work, the cloud covered the Tent of Meeting, and the Presence of the Lord filled the Tabernacle. Moses could not enter the Tent of Meeting because the cloud had settled upon it and the Presence of the Lord filled the Tabernacle."

May this be what happens to us as we create our own holy space. May we fill up this space with so much goodness, kindness, and love, and with so much connection and commitment to our Jewish heritage that it is obvious to others that the presence of holiness is around us.

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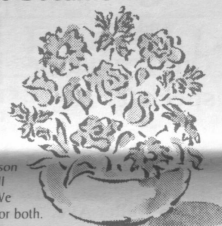
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• Michael Ades reported a nine percent drop in pledges for the 1996 Campaign, amounting to a decrease of \$24,000.

• \$1,700 has been allocated for the Gift of Israel Program based on 17 current participants.

• Ruth Moser reported on the need to find a new location for Camp Shalom. The December 24 Erev Party was a success and the Leisure Club was doing well. Ruth thanked Kim Slaton for all her help.

• Michael Grossman reported on the well attended and excellent



Oliver Thomas

lecture by Oliver Thomas of Vanderbilt University's Freedom Forum about the first amendment and religion in the public schools.

• Molly Schwab announced that the Social Services Committee had met with the new chair, Ralph Crystal, and that a UK Social Work student was interning with her.

• For Resettlement Evelyn Geller reported that the new family was adjusting well and the son was taking ESL (English as a Second Language) courses at UK.

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You read it here first...

The article appearing in the February 1997 edition of *Shalom* (by Michael Adelstein) about the influence of Robert Rubin on President Clinton came out before John B. Judis' February 10 article in *The New Republic*. In it, he contended that "Robert Rubin wields more power over economic policy than any presidential advisor in decades."

We didn't go that far. We were satisfied with merely stating that Rubin "along with Alan Greenspan...will play a major role in the economic destiny of our nation."

Editorial

Looking to be Jewish

by Holly Barnhill

"Funny, you don't look Jewish," is a vernacular many of us have heard for most of our lives. What exactly does this mean? What is "looking Jewish?"

Could it be having dark curly hair, no, that can't be it. I "don't look Jewish" and I DO have dark curly hair. So does this mean straight blond hair "looks Jewish?" No, that's not right either. Everybody knows all Germans and Swedes have blonde hair.

Oh wait a minute, that's a definition by race, not religion. I wonder what color hair atheist have. It must be gray because gray is when there's no pigment - no pigment, no God, right?

Red hair must be for Catholicism, fire and brimstone and all that. Yeah, that must be it - red goes with fire.

Now where does that leave people with really dark, blue-black hair? They must be

non-denominational Christians, because anyone with blue-black hair probably uses some form of tint, you know, to cover up the gray...and you know what gray means.

Now, what about noses. Jewish noses are supposed to be big. I guess that means small noses exemplify Christianity. Wrong, they personify the work of a good plastic surgeon, who was probably Jewish.

I suppose dark eyes would be the most synonymous with being Jewish. That means tinted contacts could change your religion. One day you're a brown-eyed Jew, the next a blue-eyed Methodist, and then a green-eyed Buddhist. Why not?

All this may sound pretty far fetched, and it is. Surely most people must be aware that hair and eye color have absolutely no bearing on one's religion. So why do some insist on categorizing people?

Attempting to categorize a Jew's commitment or level of Jewishness by mere definition is

just as invalid or nonsensical as the prior analogies. For example, going to synagogue two times a month instead of three times a month doesn't make someone a less devout Jew. Neither does keeping kosher or not, dressing in traditional garb or not, or whether you were born into or converted to Judaism affect one's level of religion.

There is no rating system...all Jews are equal. True, some Jews may practice more of their traditions or pursue a more in-depth study of the Torah and Talmud. This may bring them more knowledge and fulfillment of Judaism, but it does not make them more of a Jew or better than any other Jew.

A Jew is a Jew is a Jew. We all need to stick together. If Jews do not get along with each other, how can we expect to get along with the rest of the world.

I may or may not look Jewish, but I certainly feel Jewish. My hair color may vary, but please accept me as I am - a Jew.

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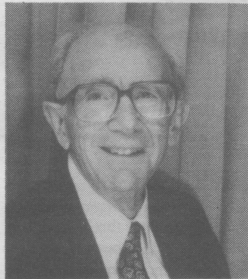
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FEATURE

The Holocaust Revival

by Michael E. Adelstein



"It ain't over 'till it's over."

This statement, attributed to Yogi Berra (although perhaps penned by a sports-writer), might pertain to news about the Holocaust. Some fifty years after the liberation of the concentration camps, revelations about this atrocity seem to be forthcoming almost daily.

Last spring, Daniel Jonah Goldhagen, a young Harvard professor and the son of a Jewish scholar who barely survived the war in a Romanian ghetto, witnessed the furor arising from the publication of his 619-page book, *Hitler's Willing Executioners*.

In it he documented his provocative thesis that not only the Nazis, but most of the German people knew of the Holocaust, and many participated in it.

Elie Wiesel stated that the book is "a tremendous contribution to the understanding" of the Holocaust. German scholars objected, but when Goldhagen toured their country in a book tour last August they agreed that he had amassed much convincing evidence, particularly about the local police battalions who rounded up the Jews. These deportations were done not by SS men, but by ordinary Germans in full view of many townspeople.

Goldhagen pointed out that the Holocaust was unique in two respects: its thoroughness in hunting down every Jew and its motivation in killing people not for territory, power, or wealth, but for their religious affiliation.

While Goldhagen is undoubtedly correct in stating that the purpose for the Holocaust was not to acquire wealth, nevertheless it is becoming evident these days that wealth was acquired by the Germans and -- probably the Swiss.

In recent months, Jewish leaders and others have questioned the role of the Swiss banks during World War II. It is alligat-ed that the banks held money entrusted by Holocaust victims and failed to return it to them or their heirs after the war. In addition, the banks may have laundered money for the Nazis. Finally, Switzerland's neutrality is questioned in view of concessions they appear to have made to the Nazis.

The Swiss role is being investigated. At this writing, the Swiss government has agreed to set up a fund to compensate Holocaust victims, but has not yet decided whether to contribute any money. Switzerland's three largest banks have agreed to contribute \$71 million. Meanwhile, the World Jewish Restitution Organization, headed by former Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker and formed with the support of the World Jewish Congress and Swiss Bankers Association, is investigating the bank accounts from the war years. And there is talk of a class action suit being filed in Brooklyn by survivors and another by the World Council of Orthodox Jewish Communities.

For a while, the Swiss scandal made front page news with the Jews being accused of "blackmail" and of waging a propaganda war. Then a Swiss bank was caught shredding wartime documents. And a former Swiss ambassador and two historians produced a 142 page report indicting their government and banks.

How is it that this whole matter has only recently come to light -- some fifty years later?

Also brought to light recently are files from British intelligence revealing it knew that genocide was being committed in September 1941 (before Pearl Harbor) when the Germans invaded the Soviet Union. After an inexcusable lapse of more than a year, Britain and the United States informed the world, in 1942, about the plight of European Jews.

Knowledge of the British and American awareness of the Holocaust appears in transcripts of radio intercepts from the SS and German police com-

manders recently released here as a result of the declassification of 1.3 million military war documents. Why these and British documents were not used in the prosecution of war criminals at Nuremberg and other trials remains a perplexing question.

Another question that has not been publicized in our media concerns the French, mainly the Parisians, and their disposition of Jewish property in the Marais section, formerly a ghetto-like area, which now has become fashionable. An investigation of this matter is presently being conducted and should be resolved in several months.

On another Holocaust front, the Canadians are being criticized for their harboring of alleged former Nazis, who are living comfortably in Canada, many drawing pensions from abroad as former policemen or soldiers, and admitting to their past misdeeds.

These confessions were obtained by Steve Rambam, former member of the militant Jewish Defense League, who posed as a professor doing research for St. Paul's University (a fictitious college) and recorded the atrocities using a microphone in his pen. Some of the alleged Nazis had even been deported from the United States for their past actions. Why the Canadians have put up with them for these many years is a question that is causing embarrassment to their government.

But people in glass houses should not hurl invectives. It has recently been disclosed that we in the United States shelter many Nazi war criminals, some of whom are slowly being brought to justice -- some thirty or forty years after settling here. Of course, they have lived exemplary lives in this country (no more murders); their neighbors vouch for them being fine people. One or two have even moved into dwellings where many Jews live. Some people think that the past sins of these alleged Nazi war criminals should be forgiven and forgotten. But justice delayed will hopefully not be denied in their case.

What else about the Holocaust will be revealed in the months and years to come? Stay tuned. It's not over.

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networks to penetrate western intelligence. This international best seller indicts a score of American politicians who worked with the Vatican.

Born in Boston from an Irish Catholic family, Loftus now lives with his wife and daughter in St. Petersburg, Florida, where he is working on a film version of *Unholy Trinity*. His newest book *The Secret War Against the Jews*, exposes the still classified archives of the Holocaust, which tells how American Jews have been systematically wiretapped since 1944, and how Israel was set up for the Iran-Contra affair by George Bush.

His non-profit foundation, The Loftus Fund, educates Americans about the dangers of communism, fascism and indifference.

Community School...

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does G-d expect of us?" and "What is G-d's nature?" and "What is the source of evil?"

The students' questions and comments are stimulating and insightful. In fact, their questions and comments are of such caliber that I believe my major objective for the course, that the students will begin to learn the appropriate questions to ask in their on-going search for G-d, has been realized.

My sole disappointment was that there was only one student in the class from the synagogue. I appreciate all of the reasons that this was the case. But one is a start; and I hope that that number will increase next year.

The opportunity for Jewish youth, regardless of affiliation now have the opportunity to learn about one another as Jews and to see the strength Jews can find in both their commonalities and their differences. I hope that all parents will encourage their post Bar and Bat Mitzvah children to enroll in the community's high school. Even more, I hope that our eighth, ninth, and tenth grade students will be positive about continuing their formal Jewish education and ask their parents to enroll them in this program. The challenge is before us. Let us meet it.

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ASK Jewish Family Services

by Mollye Schwab

ASK Jewish Family Services is a regular column in *Shalom* that is intended to reflect personal and family situations that may provide information and resources to readers in the community. It is intended to provide general information, but it may not necessarily relate to all readers. Letters and phone calls to ASK JFS are welcome and can be sent to Jewish Family Services, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, KY 40502; or call (606) 269-8244.

Dear JFS,

I know that the years of adolescence can be trying times for both kids and parents. I am having a very difficult time with my daughter. She is a beautiful 14-year-old girl with a lot going for her. We used to be so close and able to share so much, but lately she won't talk to me the way she used to, nor does she participate in family functions. I try to talk with her and let her know that I will try to help her in any way that I can, but she just shuts me out. Is there anything I can do other than wait it out?

Sincerely,
Missing My Daughter

Dear Missing,

You are right, the years of adolescence are universally difficult for a family and a teen. One of the closest yet often the most conflict-ridden relationships in a family can be that between a mother and daughter. I think most of us, as women, can either relate to that as a daughter or a mother. Even in the healthiest of families, this type of conflict is common.

I was talking to a close friend of mine the other day who was sharing with me her trying times with her teenage daughter. She overheard her daughter crying on the phone and tapped on the door out of concern. Her daughter screamed, "Get out!" So my friend let a couple of days go by and then asked her daughter what she was so upset about. Her daughter replied, "Oh, I don't know, I've never been this age before!"

Adolescence is a time for girls and boys to begin going out in the world on their own. This is often difficult and painful for parents and adolescents. The following are some tips published in Parent's Place newsletter *Family Matters* that both mothers and daughters may want to try in order to improve their relationship.

Agree to listen to each other's feelings first and foremost...often a teenager just needs to be heard. When we respect them enough to listen, they are more likely to listen to us.

Let your daughter know that you trust her to make good decisions. When kids know their parents trust them, they feel compelled to live up to that trust.

When you see you daughter going the wrong direction, express concern and offer guidance, then back off and give her a chance to think about what she'll do.

Deal with problems as they arise and don't hold a grudge...it sometimes will be necessary to impose a swift and reasonable consequence...but then move on and expect her to do better next time.

Make time to have fun together. In time your daughter will pass through adolescence, and the warm memories you create in the midst of these trying years will carry you through to a new adult relationship. Catch a movie together (daughter's choice)...have her show you the latest dance and play her favorite CD's for you. And don't plug your ears!

Source: Dr. Martha Ferrel Erickson for the Family Information Services, Minneapolis, MN 1996. *Daughters*, a new monthly newsletter for parents of girls ages 8-18 is available by calling 800-829-1088.

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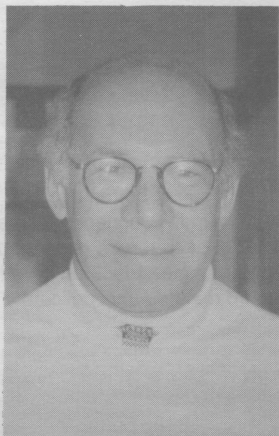
CKJF names Campaign '97 leaders

Sue Ezrine will chair the Women's Division and Wayne Masterman will head the Men's Division for this year's UJA/Federation Campaign.

Sue has been very active in fund raising for the Federation and was the Women's Division chair-elect for 1996.

Wayne, owner and operator of Lexington's *Italian Oven* restaurant, is a newcomer to the CKJF campaign.

Both Wayne and Sue are members of Ohavay Zion Synagogue.



Wayne Masterman



Sue Ezrine

KET airs specials on Israel's musicians and natural wonders

Two back-to-back programs airing Wednesday, March 12 on KET present the beauty of Israel--both in the form of music by the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and aerial cinematography of the nation's natural wonders.

At 8:00 PM (ET), *The Israel Philharmonic: A 60th Anniversary Gala* captures the Israel Philharmonic's birthday concert held last December at Tel Aviv's Mann Auditorium. The concert features a world-famous roster of conductors and musicians--second and third-generation "sons of Israel" who have grown up with and learned from the nation's proudest cultural institution. The highlights of this extravaganza include music performed by Isaac Stern, Gil Shaham, Pinchas Zukerman, Ariel Shamaï and Itzhak Perlman and conducted by Daniel Barenboim, Zubin Meta and Zukerman.

In addition to the concert, *The Israel Philharmonic* includes historical footage, interviews and narrative tracing the history of the orchestra, the founding of the state of Israel and the IPO's long association with the great musicians of the 20th century, including Arthur Rubenstein and Leonard Bernstein.

At 10:00 PM (ET), *Israel Beyond the Horizon: A Journey from Heaven to Earth* features spectacular aerial views of Israel's natural beauty. For those who think of Israel as an arid nation dotted by the occasional Western-style city and scores of centuries-old ruins, this program will change that perception forever. The 40 minute special also features scenes of wild horses traversing the savanna, canyons rivaling those of the American southwest and verdant patchworks of farmland.

Israel Beyond the Horizon: A Journey from Heaven

to Earth offers views of natural wonders such as King Solomon's Pillars, the Caesarea Roman aqueduct, the Jordan Estuary at the Sea of Galilee and snow and ice-covered regions that seem impossibly out of place in the Middle East. The program also visits Jerusalem for a look at David's Citadel, the Church of Mary Magdalene, Absalom's Tomb and the Western Wall, juxtaposed with modern versions of the Knesset, Supreme Court and City Center buildings.

The Israel Philharmonic: A 60th Anniversary Gala, is produced by Thirteen WNET/New York in association with EuroArts. *Israel Beyond the Horizon: A Journey from Heaven to Earth* is produced by Albatross Aerial Photography and Danor Productions Ltd. It is closed-captioned for the deaf and hard-of-hearing.

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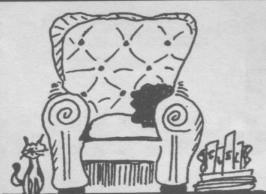


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Hamantaschen Recipes

HAMANTASCHEN DOUGHS

Number 1: Cookie Dough

2 1/4 cups flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup melted butter
3/4 cup milk

2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 cup sugar
1 egg

Mix well the flour, baking powder, salt, sugar, butter, egg and milk, and knead well. Roll the dough out thin, and cut into rounds 2 inches in diameter. Place a spoonful of Hamantaschen filling in center of each round, draw up three sides, and pinch sides together in the form of a triangle. Place on a buttered cookie sheet, and bake at 375 degrees for 45 to 60 minutes until delicately brown.

Number 2: Cream Cheese Dough

1 package cream cheese
2 cups flour

1 cup butter
1/4 cup powdered sugar

Cream the butter well with the cheese, add flour and powdered sugar, and mix well. Wrap in waxed paper, and place in refrigerator over night. Roll out in medium thickness, and cut into rounds. Fill, and form into shape. Place on a buttered cookie sheet, and bake at 400 degrees for 12 to 15 minutes until delicately brown.

HAMANTASCHEN FILLINGS

Number 1: Poppy Seed Filling

1 egg
1/4 pound poppy seeds

1/4 cup sugar

Pour boiling water over poppy seeds, let stand until seeds have settled at bottom and drain. Put seeds through the finest blade of the food chopper. Add egg, stirring it in well, add sugar, and mix thoroughly.

Number 2: Prune Filling

grated rind of 1 lemon
2 teaspoons lemon juice

1/2 pound prunes

Soak prunes over night. Cook in water in which they were soaked until soft. Drain well. Remove stones from prunes, and cut prunes into small pieces. Mix with grated rind and juice of lemon.

Number 3: Jelly

1 jar of jelly

Go to the store and buy a jar of your favorite jelly. Take jar home, open and fill cookie rounds with a dollop of jelly. Enjoy.

Recipes (except the Number 3: Jelly) from the *Book of Jewish Recipes*, published by the Jewish Ledger of Connecticut, many years ago.

FEATURE

An Open Tribal Religion

by Rabbi H. D. Uriel Smith

There are two major types of religion, open and tribal. Members of open religions perceive their faith as being universal: anyone can join by saying the right words or performing the right conversion ceremonies. Christianity, Buddhism, Islam, and Taoism are examples of open religions. People are born into tribal religions, religions that are passed on from parent to child. Hinduism, Shinto, and the American Indian religions are examples of tribal religions. Judaism is both.

The Essenes at Qumran and the Samaritans were complete tribalists, refusing to accept converts from other groups. The Essenes have long vanished, leaving only ancient scrolls which were discovered in caves. The Samaritans remain only a small community living around Shechem and in Holon in Israel.

On the other hand, the exiled prophet from the school of Isaiah demanded that the Israelites open themselves up to converts (Isaiah 44:5; 45:18-23; 49:5-7; 55:4-5; 56:1-9). Rabbinic Judaism continued these open tendencies. Matthew notes (23:15) that the Pharisees would "traverse sea and land to make one proselyte." Until the Christian empire, and later the Muslims, stopped them, the rabbis continued inviting proselytes. The Jewish community despite losses to massacres, forced conversions, and (lately) ignorance, have replenished their losses by converts. This dialectical status, being both tribal and open, has

given us unique advantages, but also many problems.

One advantage is that, like other tribal religions, we recognize other paths to God as being valid; you do not have to be Jewish to have a portion in the world-to-come (t. Sanhedrin 13:2). God accepts both Jews and non-Jews. We recognize ourselves as being members of God's household, witnesses who can witness to Him because of our special closeness to God.

We, in a sense, serve in God's palace, cleaning His courtyards, tidying His rooms, cooking and bottle-washing in His kitchens. This service, fulfilling *mitzvot*, is a form of *Tikkun Olam*, repairing the world., reconnecting the sparks of holiness with their Source. This creates a special intimacy with God. Like Abraham our ancestor and like Tuviah the Milkman, we can converse with God and argue with Him, laugh with the *Sh'khinah* (God's presence), and commiserate with Her pain.

We recognize that other religions can serve God in other ways, becoming members of His parliament, even ministers and prime ministers, serving in God's army, fighting as generals and as footsoldiers in the holy wars, working in God's vineyards, gardens, and fields, making things grow. There are many paths to serve God. However, there is a problem in that members of open religions tend to think that their path is the only true path, and that all other paths should be subordinate to theirs. Every open religion is consciously or subconsciously trying to overwhelm all others.

Buddhism takes for

granted that members of other religions, in wishing to follow paths of love or duty, merely keep their members on the wheel of reincarnation, blocking them from entering Nirvana. Muslims take for granted that full surrender to God is Islam, and see no reason why members of other religions should not acknowledge that. Traditional Christians find no salvation other than through the door named Jesus. Judaism, being tribal, accepts that as long as the paths of these other religions are ethical they are also acceptable to God. But, since Judaism is also open, it judges the hegemonic trends of the other religions and finds those trends wanting.

The clash with other religions occurs especially in the Land of Israel. Every tribal religion considers the land of their origin especially holy. Brahmins become defiled when they leave India, and they need special purifications if and when they return. The American Indians are trying through the American courts and through other means to retrieve their sacred lands, mountains, and lakes.

But, liberal Christians who support the return of tribal lands to the Indians oppose Jewish rule over Jerusalem. Muslims demand the return of Jerusalem to them, despite the fact that throughout the twelve centuries when they ruled the Holy Land Jerusalem was never the capital of the land, despite the fact that for over a century Jews were an absolute majority of the city's inhabitants. Muslims from Lybia through Iran to Malaysia

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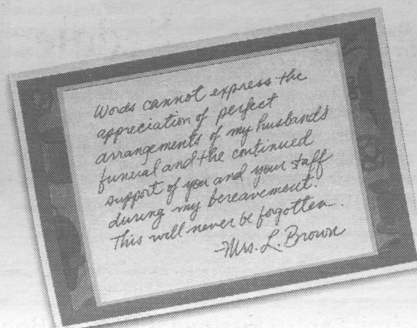
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Tribal Religion...

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demand the return of the Holy Land to Muslim rule, despite the fact that the Qur'an (Sura V, *Maida*: 22-23) recognizes that the holiness of the Holy Land is associated specifically with the People of Israel, and despite the fact that the Qur'an (Sura XVII, *Bani Isra'il*: 4-8) indicates that the Children of Israel will have a third chance to return to the Holy Land and live there honorably.

Our tribal perspective tells us the world is not a uniform realm, with one-size religion fitting all. We do not move quickly (as open religions do) to general ideas, realms of the sacred versus the mundane, just and unjust wars, categorizable states of sin

and purity, terms that quickly move to general philosophies.

Our *mitzvot* are in the daily lives, in the mundane world of men, women, and children, lifeworlds where we interact with each other. Our responsibility is greatest where we have greatest power: we are responsible for the needs of our family before the needs of others, and of our community before distant communities. "Your poor have precedence over the poor of your town; the poor of your town have precedence over the poor of another town." (b. *Baba M'tzi'a* 71a)

This diminishes but does not eliminate more distant respon-

sibilities. Even if "the poor of your people precede the poor of an alien," (*ibid*), "we sustain the alien poor together with Israelite poor," (b. *Gittin* 61a) for since we have some power to help, we have some responsibility to help.

Our religious perspective thus focuses on this world, with all its individual and tribal quirks and peculiarities, and we leave to God the problems of the World-to-Come. God deals with hidden matters (cf. Deuteronomy 29:29). We deal with practicalities.

Ohavay Zion prepares to break ground for new edition

By Ricki Rosenberg

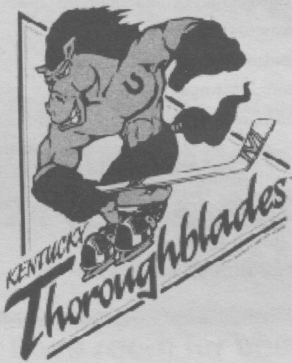
Ohavay Zion Synagogue is well on its way to getting a 4,000 square foot addition on the ground level and a 2,000 square foot basement. The addition will consist of more classroom space and a basement, which will likely be the site of a youth lounge.

To date, there are pledges for \$394,000. Solicitation will be on-going, as the goal is \$500,000. It is still to be determined if there will be enough funds to renovate the office and library area.

If you have not yet made a donation, a gift of any size will help the synagogue get one step closer to their goal. With your help, the ground breaking ceremony will be in early April.

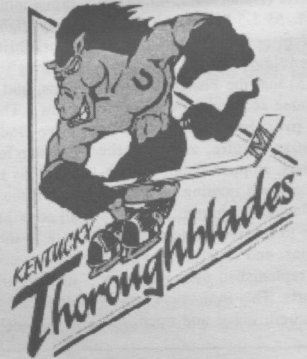
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Jewish community marches for equality and freedom in MLK parade



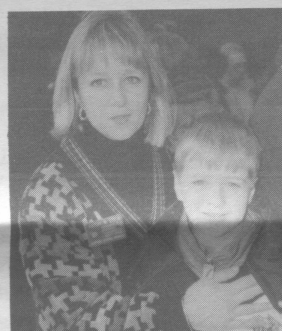
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JZO/Hillel students keep busy schedules

by Michael Weinrauch

The University of Kentucky Jewish Student Organization/Hillel Foundation (JZO) has had a quiet but busy month. Since returning for the spring semester, students have met every Thursday for dinners on campus.

Other events have included a trip to the University of Cincinnati Hillel for Shabbat dinner, a contingent marching in the Martin Luther King Parade downtown, a movie night off-campus, observance of Tu B'Shevat at Lexington Havurah's special holiday seder, Shabbat at Ohavay Zion's "Hillel Night," a planned outing to a Thoroughblades game, and, of course, attendance at the Judaic Studies lecture by James

Ackerman.

Additionally, several students took in Jewish comedian Jon Stewart's free performance at the Singletary Center. This was organized by Comedy Central as an attempt to pressure TCI to bring that cable channel back to Lexington.

Currently, JZO's programming is geared mainly towards social life and Jewish student affiliation. We do offer educational and spiritual events, however, social events are traditionally the ones which students consistently attend.

All community members are encouraged and invited to attend any event. We look forward to establishing a more visible presence on campus and in the community, however, to expand further at this point requires a concentrated effort and commit-

ment from the central Kentucky Jewish community.

If you have any questions, suggestions, or would like to help in any way, please feel free to contact any of the following:

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Jewish Education



WATCH & TALK "GENESIS"

KET has been running a thought provoking series called *Genesis: A Living Conversation*. In Lexington, it is being shown on Friday evenings at 10 PM. Temple Adath Israel will tape the shows and re-broadcast them in the Temple library. Rabbi Adland will lead a discussion after each episode. The March dates are:

March 18 - Genesis 11-13
March 25 - Genesis 16, 17 & 21

Re-broadcasts will begin at 7:30 PM.

The Maurice A. Hymson Adult Programming Fund Presents Scholar-in-Residence

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March 7-9, 1997

The Talmud, Halakhah, and Reform Judaism

at Temple Adath Israel

Friday, March 7, 8:00 PM

"The Talmud, Halakhah and Reform Judaism"

Saturday, March 8, 9:30 AM

"A Page of Talmud"

Saturday (Pot Luck Lunch*) March 8, 12:00 PM

"When Two People are Drowning,
Which One Do You Save?"

"Jewish Law and the Allocation of
Health-Care Resources"

Sunday, March 9, 10:00 AM

"Who is a Jew and Why Should We Care?"

*RSVP to the Temple office if you plan to attend lunch
and this session: 269-2979

An invitation to all Women in the Central Kentucky Jewish Community

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9:30 - 10:45 AM: Session I

In Quest of Jewish Spirituality

From Balcony to Bimah

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Judaism and Modernity

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Israeli Women Writers

11:00 - 12:15 PM: Session II

Making the System Work: Ruth and the Social Security System

Gender Roles in Genesis

Freud and Jewish Women's Discontents

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We Learn from their Stories and Learn to Tell Our Own

Shakespeare's *King Lear* & Jane Smiley's *A Thousand Acres*:

Feminist Reading and Canon Revision

12:30 Lunch

The Many Colors of Young Judea

Dor L'Dor - Weaving a Tapestry for the Generations

Panel discussion led by Ruth Gerber Cole, Hadassah National Vice-President

3:30 - 4:00 PM Closing Session

Participants will select one course each from Sessions I and II.

All participants will attend the afternoon programs.

Registration deadline is March 17

Registration fee of \$35 includes continental breakfast, lunch & all course materials

For a registration form or carpooling information, contact:

Sandy Berger, 263-8477, Program VP, Lexington Chapter of Hadassah

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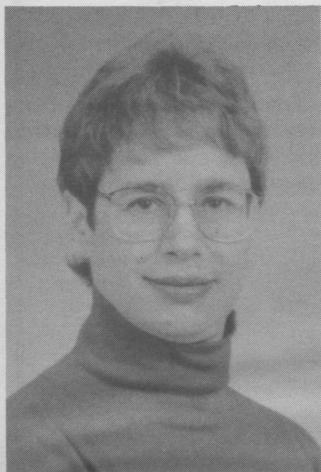
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Jewish Education continued...

Moosnick Lectures focus on Jewish Spirituality

Lecture Dates: April 3 & 4



Dr. Hava Tirosch-Rothschild

Dr. Hava Tirosch-Rothschild, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, Indiana University, will survey the nature of Jewish spirituality when she presents the 1997 Franklin B. Moosnick Lectures. She will focus on two expressions of Jewish spirituality: philosophy and Kabbalah, a mystical interpretation of scripture by rabbis and certain medieval Christians.

Lecture Schedule:

Kabbalah and the Myth of Judaism

Thursday, April 3
10:00 AM

Lexington Theological Seminary

Two Models of Jewish Spirituality: Philosophy and Kabbalah

Thursday, April 3
7:30 PM
Temple Adath Israel

The Kabbalistic Life of Torah

Friday, April 4
10:00 AM

Lexington Theological Seminary

The Moosnick Lectures were established by Lexington Theological Seminary in honor of Lexington physician, Dr. Franklin B. Moosnick. The purpose of the lecture series is to enable the Seminary's students and general public to learn from outstanding Jewish thinkers and to gain appreciation for Judaism.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

Coming Soon to a Synagogue Near You!

The Ohavay Zion Adult Education Committee is proud to continue its Movie Series for 1997. Our second film in the series is the German-language movie, *The Nasty Girl* (with English subtitles). On Sunday, March 30 at 2:00 PM, Tay Fisdale, Assistant Professor of English at Transylvania University, will set the scene for our viewing and direct the discussion afterward.

The Nasty Girl tells the story of a modern day teenage German girl who discovers unsavory secrets about her hometown's activities during the Third Reich. While researching a report for an essay contest, she encounters resistance from officials when she requests access to certain documents. Pursuing her course, she uncovers "nasty" secrets about one of the town's leading citizens, and these revelations make her the target of abuse from the townspeople who prefer the past to stay buried. The story is told in narrative form by the main character as she matures from a high school student to a young married woman. Notable is the comical, ironic manner in which writer/director Michael Verhoeven portrays the characters and events.

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Pot Luck Supper and Celebrate Hadassah

Who: Lexington Chapter of Hadassah

What: Pot Luck Supper to Celebrate Hadassah

Where: Temple Adath Israel, 124 N. Ashland Avenue

When: Tuesday, March 11, 6:15 PM-8:15 PM

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Hadassah Calendar 1997

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Thursday, March 20, 7:30 PM
Women's Discussion Group
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Sunday, April 6
Women's Educational Forum
A Tapestry of Dreams
Cincinnati, Ohio

Wednesday, May 7
Focus on Youth-Community Service
Children's Hospital Resource Center

Lexington Havurah Service Schedule

Monday, March 3	"What's Jewish about Contemporary Jewish Poetry?" led by Jo Ellen Kaiser, Assistant Professor of English at UK Karen & Steve Shedlofsky's, 2105 Broadhead Place 8:00 PM
Sunday, March 23	Celebration of Shushan Purim - as in the walled cities of Israel Lexington Theological Seminary, 631 S. Limestone (<i>parking lot and entrance are in the back</i>) Megilla Reading will be led by Francie Chassen-Lopez and Sharon Wallace. Everyone is encourage to come in costume! 5:00 PM
Wednesday, April 9	Jewish Music Mina Miller, UK College of Fine Arts (place to be announced) 8:00 PM
Friday, April 25	Kabbalat Shabbat Services, led by Kathy & Mike Grossman, Mina Miller Lexington Hearing & Speech Center 8:00 PM

The Lexington Havurah welcomes those interested in learning about havurah-style Judaism-which is at the forefront of the Jewish renewal movement. Everyone is welcome to attend our services and programs. If you wish additional information please call Judy Baumann, 223-1299 or Ernie Cohen, 272-1459.

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SERVICE SCHEDULE

March 1997

I Adar - II Adar 5757

February 28-March 1, I Adar 22
Shabbat Ki Tissa

Friday Evening 8:00 pm Bima Bennett Beyer Oneg Laura & George Szekely Emilie Szekely	Shabbat Morning Preliminary Service 9:30 am Shacharit 10:00 am Bima Ginger Knight English Reader Debi Gail
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March 7-8, I Adar 29
Shabbat Va-Yakhel(Shekalim)

Friday Evening 8:00 pm Bima Kathy Stein Oneg Andrea & Gene Doren Rae & Howard Eldes	Shabbat Morning Preliminary Service 9:30 am Shacharit 10:00 am Beginyan 10:30 am Bima Sandy Archer English Reader Sue Dworkin
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March 14-15, II Adar 6
Shabbat Pekudei

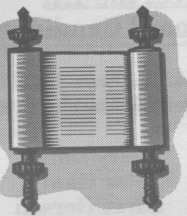
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March 21-22, II Adar 13
Shabbat Va-Yikra(Zachor)

Friday Evening 8:00 pm Bima Judy Levine Oneg Marilyn & Franklin Moonnick Sonia Moonnick Evelyn Geller	Shabbat Morning Preliminary Service 9:30 am Shacharit 10:00 am Beginyan 10:30 am Bima Lisa Satin English Reader Sue Earline
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March 28-29, II Adar 20
Shabbat Tzav(Parah)

Friday Evening 8:00 pm Bima Charlie Speigel Oneg Harriet & Leon Cooper Lynn Cooper & Alan Kirschenbaum Ira & Tina Cooper	Shabbat Morning Preliminary Service 9:30 am Shacharit 10:00 am Bima Lou Kross English Reader Cindy Derer
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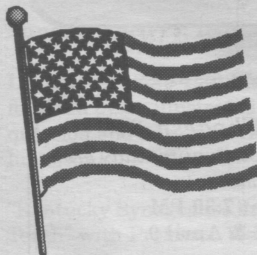
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Happy Purim!

OZS to Hold a Speak Out Lexington Program Thursday, March 27, 7:30 PM



Have you ever wondered how can we all help make our community's important decisions? Do you feel that you are a part of community decision-making? Where do we gather to talk about community decisions?

If you are interested in thinking out loud, discussing, and hearing others' views on the above subject, the Synagogue's Advocacy Committee invites (urges!) you to participate in a Speak Out discussion on Thursday evening, March 27, 7:30 PM in the OZS Social Hall.

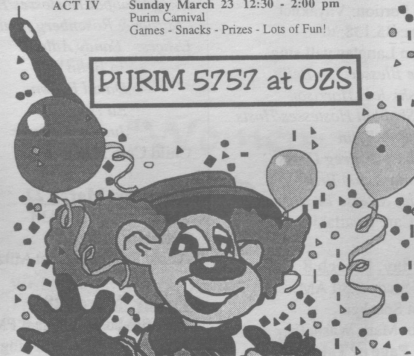
This program will be one of over 100 sponsored by Urban County Government as an "annual community conversation." The program will be led by a volunteer moderator who will guide the group conversation, while a reporter records the comments and will prepare a report for the Speak Out Lexington Committee.

The program will last approximately 1 1/2 hours. Come join in meaningful conversation about community decision-making.

OZS PRESENTS PURIM 5757 IN FOUR ACTS:

- ACT I Saturday March 22:00 pm - ?
Megillah Reading and Costume Party
Greenhouse Party Room
Tates Creek Rd south of New Circle
- ACT II Sunday March 23 8:30 am
Regular Shacharit and Mikra Megillah
- ACT III Sunday March 23 9:00 - 11:30 am
Everyone encouraged to come in costume
Megillah Reading - Purim Play - Purim
Songs - Costume Parade
Hot Dog Lunch 11:30 - Parents Welcome
- ACT IV Sunday March 23 12:30 - 2:00 pm
Purim Carnival
Games - Snacks - Prizes - Lots of Fun!

PURIM 5757 at OZS



OZS CALENDAR OF EVENTS MARCH

- March 2 Hebrew/Religious School
- March 4 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm
OZS Board Meeting 8pm
Introduction to Hebrew 1:30pm
- March 5 FUNDRAISER - Jos-Beth 7pm, Comedy 8pm
- March 6 Social Action Committee at HOPE Center 5:30pm
- March 8 Rel School Service & Kiddush
Beginyan 10:30-11:30am
- March 9 Hebrew/Religious School
Teachers' Meeting 12-1pm
- March 10 BULLETIN DEADLINE
- March 11 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm
- March 12 Introduction to Hebrew 1:30pm
- March 14 Sisterhood Shabbaton
- March 16 Hebrew/Religious School
- March 18 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm
- March 19 Introduction to Hebrew 1:30pm
- March 20 Social Action Comm Mtg noon-Gratz Pk Inn
New Americans Program 7 pm
- March 22 Beginyan 10:30-11:30am
Megillah Reading
- March 23 Hebrew/Religious School
Purim Carnival
- March 24 Natalie Davis UK Singletary Cntr 8pm
- March 25 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm
Executive Board Mtg 8pm
- March 26 Introduction to Hebrew 1:30pm
- March 27 Speak Out Lexington 7:30pm OZS
- March 30 Hebrew/Religious School
Adult Education Movie "The Nasty Girl" 2pm

TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL

SHABBAT SERVICES

Saturday, March 1

Kollel Study 9:30-11:30 AM

Friday, March 7

Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Guest Speaker: Rabbi Mark Washofsky, Prof. of Rabbinics HUC-JIR, Cincinnati, OH
"The Talmud, Halakhah, and Reform Judaism"
Torah Portion: Vayakhel
Exodus: 35:138:20
Marilyn Langley will sing
Candle Blesser: Jo Belin
Kiddush: Joel Harrison
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts Jo & Bob Belin
Kathleen & Greg Davis
Yolanda & Joe Brill
Harriet & Rose Brazin
Child Care Available

Saturday, March 8

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Guest Speaker:
Rabbi Mark Washofsky
"A Page of Talmud"
Worship 10:30 AM
Pot-Luck Lunch 12 noon
Guest Speaker:
Rabbi Mark Washofsky
"When Two People Are Drowning, Which One Do You Save?"

Sunday, March 9

Rabbi Mark Washofsky 10 AM
"Who Is A Jew and Why Should We Care?"

Friday, March 14

Family Shabbat Service 7:30 PM
Jennifer Taff Bat Mitzvah
4th Grade Presentation
Torah Portion: Pekude
Exodus: 38:21-40:38
Candle Blesser: Janet Taff
Kiddush: Jennifer & Ken Taff
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts the Taff family and friends
Ushers: Judy Hersh
Rob Rosenstein
Leona Stern
Andy Weiner
Child Care Available

Saturday, March 15

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Jennifer Taff Bat Mitzvah

**Volunteers Needed
for Help to
Landscape the
Temple Property**

Friday, March 21

Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Annie Rosenberg Bat Mitzvah
Torah Portion: Vayikra
Leviticus 1:1-5:26
Board of Trustees Candidates will be introduced
Candle Blesser: Elizabeth Mazur
Kiddush: Annie Rosenberg
Martin Rosenberg
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts Mazur & Rosenberg families
Ushers: Sandy Adland
Jo Belin
David Brown
Ed Hirsh
Judith Wurmser
Child Care Available

Saturday, March 22

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Annie Rosenberg Bat Mitzvah

Friday, March 28

Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Marilyn Langley will sing
Torah Portion: Tzav
Leviticus 6:1-8:36
Candle Blesser: Robyn Kerster
Kiddush: Rachel Haggin
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts Ruth & Neil Poley
Terry & Paul Goldfarb
Laura & Jim Rosenberg
Robyn & Brad Kerster
Linda Haggin
Lisa Taubee
Ushers: Martin Barr
Alan Bernard
Mark Simpson
Child Care Available

Saturday, March 29

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM



TAI Maccabees Softball Team

is looking for softball players. Games are on Monday evenings beginning in April. You must be a Temple member to be on the team.

Contact TAI Office or
Brian Hershinow at
271-3073 or e-mail
HBH1996@AOL.COM.

Meet the TAI

Board Candidates

At the Erev Shabbat
Service March 7, 1997

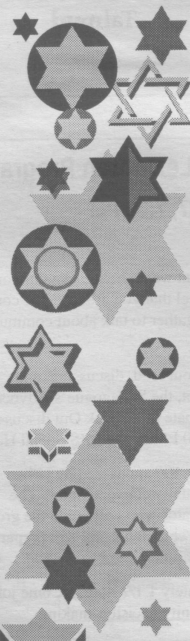
**Gary Dunn
Star Gantz
Larry Gerson
Henry Luban
David Rose
Dale Schermer
Sarah Schrier
Lou Shain
Michael Slepak**

The Hope Center Needs Books

The Hope Center would like to add a "self-help" section to their library. Any donations of new or used books would be greatly appreciated.

Books can be taken directly to the Hope Center or can be left in the Temple office and will be delivered.

Questions? Call Lowell Nigoff at 233-1173 (days) or at 278-5220 (nights).



COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Religious School Staff - Sunday, March 2, 9:00 AM

Caring Friends Committee - Monday, March 3, 7:30 PM

Board of Trustees - Tuesday, March 4, 7:30 PM

Worship Committee - Thursday, March 6, 7:30 PM

Bar/Bat Mitzvah Date Setting for Children Born in 1986 - Tuesday, March 11, 7:30 PM

TRYB Board - Tuesday, March 11

Adult Education Committee - Thursday, March 13, 7:30 PM

Sisterhood Board - Monday, March 17, 7:30 PM

Executive Committee - Thursday, March 27, 7:30 PM

Board of Trustees - Tuesday, April 1, 7:30 PM

KOLLEL: A Dialogue on meaning, purpose, and cosmic vision.



What does God expect from me?
What do I expect from God?

Study 9:30-11:30 AM

Upcoming Dates: March 1
April 5 & 19

TORAH STUDY & SHABBAT MORNING WORSHIP

**March 8, 15, 22 & 29
April 12 & 26
Study at 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM**



Rosh Chodesh

a Jewish women's spirituality study group
will meet at

T.A.I., at 7:30 PM
March 6 & April 9

All women are invited to attend

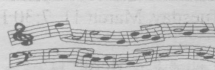
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TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL



Family Shabbat Service

MARCH 14,
7:30 PM



TAI Makhela will sing!
Rabbi Adland and Katani will tell a story! March birthday blessings will be offered! 4th grade class presentation

Next Family Shabbat
April 11



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APRIL 19

LIMITED SEATING



TAI SISTERHOOD MARCH DINNER PROGRAM



Guest Speaker

Dr. Ann Peden

Associate Professor, College of Nursing
University of Kentucky

"Women and Depression"

Wednesday, March 19, 1997, 6:30 PM
TAI Social Hall
Cost is \$2 per person
Dinner and desserts prepared by TAI Sisterhood
RSVP by Monday, March 17th to the Temple Office,
269-2979

TAI BROTHERHOOD'S SUNDAY SEMINAR SERIES

MARCH

"Introduction to the Internet" with Garry Hoover, Technology Coordinator, Fayette County Schools & Jenny Weiner, Technology Coordinator, Sayre School. **Sunday, March 16, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at Sayre School.** (directions and carpooling available)

APRIL

Co-sponsored with TAI Sisterhood

"Lexington's Jewish History in National Perspective" with Professor Lee Shai Weissbach, Professor of History, University of Louisville. **Sunday, April 13, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM.**

Luncheon 12:30-1:30 PM

followed by an illustrated slide presentation and a question and answer period. (You must RSVP for luncheon)

"Kentucky Synagogues and the Lessons They Teach" with Professor Weissbach.

At Every Seminar, Bagels, Juice and Coffee will be provided compliments of the TAI Brotherhood.

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FEATURE

Creating Jewish Life: The Jewish Agency in the Former Soviet Union

The Jewish Agency is the instrument of the UJA Federation Annual Campaign for the immigration and absorption of Jews to Israel. To carry out this mission, the agency maintains a network of services throughout the former Soviet Union to facilitate the movement of Jews to Israel.

by Reuven Rosenfelder

It was a once in a lifetime trip, traveling to nine different cities in the former Soviet Union (FSU) in 18 days with photographer Vladimir Godnik, a Russian Jew who made *aliyah* to Israel four years ago. Together we covered thousands of miles by plane, train, helicopter and car to document through photos the activities of the Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI).

Our tour, organized by JAFI's Unit for the Former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, included the cities of Minsk (Belarus), Kiev (Ukraine), Kishinev (Moldova), Baku (Azerbaijan), Tashkent and Samarkand (Uzbekistan), and Moscow, Yekaterinburg and Novosibirsk (Russia).

The Infrastructure

What struck me was the remarkable spread of JAFI's offices and operations in the FSU. Wherever we went -- in Kishinev, close to Romania at the western end of the FSU, or Baku by the Caspian Sea, or historic Samarkand, or Yekaterinburg in the Ural Mountains, or Novosibirsk in Siberia -- we found an efficient and active Jewish Agency office.

There was a clear sense that JAFI's presence and impact are a strong reality in the field. Wherever we went, we felt the impact of the Jewish Agency.

Jewish Agency Emissaries: Shlichim

Typically, local JAFI operations are managed by a senior emissary from Israel. Three other emissaries handle responsibilities for *aliyah*, education and youth activities.

When one observes these *shlichim*, the meaning of the Hebrew word *shlichut* (going on a mission) becomes a vivid reality. The Israeli presence in these

cities makes all the difference. Decades of suppression under a totalitarian regime have unfortunately deprived the local population of their initiative and organizational abilities. The Israeli *shlichim* provide it. They quickly become the center of attention around which activity and movement are created.

But the *shlichim* don't work alone. Perhaps the most

atmosphere.

Again, the few young Israeli counselors multiplied their impact by working with local counselors, together creating a camp staff and shaping the camp experience.

Hebrew Ulpan

"The *olim* grow from the *ulpanim*," said the head JAFI education emissary in FSU, Naomi



Israeli counselors stand at the entrance to the Jewish Agency summer camp in Samarkand, next to a sculpture symbolizing the Communist youth movement

UJA Press Service Photo: Vladimir Godnik

unexpected observation I had in the FSU is the importance of local workers. The Jewish Agency recruits local people to become *aliyah* consultants and coordinators, *ulpan* teachers and administrative staff. By utilizing local workers, JAFI has been able to reach out to huge numbers of Jews -- including many potential *olim*.

Working with Youth

The Jewish Agency has identified the critical importance of working with young people. As one *shaliach* told me, "They are prepared to take chances, to take risks." They are eager, bright, and they obviously constitute the future. Parents are concerned with giving them the best chance to learn and grow as Jews.

We visited several summer camps where JAFI's work with youth can best be seen. Wherever we went -- in an Islamic republic, the Ukraine or Siberia -- summer camps had the same feeling about them. Young boys and girls, teenagers, and university students were all happy to be among their own people, eager to learn and participate, and were quickly soaking up the Israeli

Halfon. Hundreds of Hebrew classes are conducted all over the FSU as the most basic educational activity undertaken by JAFI.

Ulpan is not only about teaching Hebrew. It is where Jews of various ages meet -- in an Israeli atmosphere, with pictures, posters and decorations. The participants also learn about Jewish festivals, Jewish heritage and Israel. People start talking to each other. They share information about the possibilities of *aliyah* and what is happening in Israel, and they become familiar with Judaism.

Impact of Fewer Dollars

The emissaries in the former Soviet Union increasingly feel the stress of diminishing funds. This finds expression in many ways, such as a decrease in the number of education emissaries, reduced budget for telephones to connect local workers hundreds of miles apart, and the closing of the Israel emissary post in Samarkand, substantially reducing the scope of activities.

Yitzhak Bakun, head of the Jewish Agency administration in the Ukraine, says, "I'm con-

stantly under pressure to meet my obligations to those who provide us with services. Everything here depends on the services we obtain."

We often speak about "saving Jewish lives" in the former Soviet Union. This is perfectly true, but I think the phrase "creating Jewish life" is just as appropriate. For in fact, the Jewish Agency is bringing back to life that which seemed to have

already been lost. Discovering the people, reaching out to them, engaging, teaching, generating enthusiasm among young people, and very often bringing about their *aliyah* -- it's all in a day's work for the Jewish Agency in the former Soviet Union.

What the Jewish Agency is doing in the FSU is of unique importance. It is the core of our message, and truly the responsibility of Jews everywhere.

Longtime UJA/Federation supporter donates book proceeds to UJA

Jewish tradition maintains that if you save one life, it is as if you have saved the whole world. In that case, Elaine K. Winik has rescued the equivalent of a galaxy. Over the past five decades, her work on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, including her years as the only woman president of the Greater New York Women's UJA, has raised millions of dollars to help feed, clothe, educate, relocate, and revitalize Jewish communities and individuals around the world.

Now in her fascinating memoir, *Still Looking Forward* (Rutledge Books, Inc., October 1, 1996), Elaine Winik provides poignant insight into the Jewish experience over the last half century. Written from her unique vantage point as a globetrotting good will ambassador and fundraiser extraordinaire for the UJA, she details her experiences traveling to Jewish enclaves in Romania, Russia, Morocco, Poland, Czechoslovakia, and Hungary. She tells of her many trips to Israel, including just after the Six Day War, as the first woman to attend a UJA fact-finding mission to that country, and during the SCUD missile attacks of the Gulf War. Her recollections also include interesting anecdotes about such luminaries as Ben Gurion, Eleanor Roosevelt, Golda Meir, Moshe Dyan, and Shimon Peres, among others.

Investing the book's text with humor, warmth, and honesty, Elaine traces her life and that of her grandparents, parents, and three sisters, as well. She writes openly of her first marriage, which ended in a traumatic divorce, and of the continuing blessing of her current marriage. However, the underlying thread that ties Elaine's past and present, private and professional life together is her ongoing dedication to helping other Jews. In keeping with that commitment, she is contributing all of her proceeds from the sales of *Still Looking Forward* to the UJA/Federation.

An extraordinary woman, Elaine Winik has held a variety of positions with the UJA, from the chair of its Rye, New York appeal and head of the Greater New York Women's Division, to serving as its National Chair in the U.S. from 1973-75. She has appeared on Israeli radio and television and written numerous articles for newspapers in this country.

With *Still Looking Forward* Elaine Winik takes readers inside the Jewish heart and experience. To learn more about this remarkable woman and a life spent working toward the greater good, contact Rutledge Books, Inc. at 1-800-278-8533 or order your copy of *Still Looking Forward*. The cost is \$19.95 plus \$3.50 shipping and handling.

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COMMUNITY

B a t M i t z v a h s . . .

*We would be delighted
if you would share our joy
when our daughter
Jennifer Megan
is called to the Torah
as a Bat Mitzvah
on Saturday, March 15th, 1997
at 10:30 in the morning
Temple Adath Israel
124 North Ashland Avenue
Lexington, Kentucky
Janet and Ken Taff*

Kiddush Luncheon following Services

*My family and I would be honored
if you would share our joy
when I am called to the Torah
as a Bat Mitzvah
on Saturday, March twenty-second
nineteen hundred and ninety-seven
at ten-thirty in the morning
Temple Adath Israel
124 North Ashland Avenue
Lexington, Kentucky
Annie Rosenberg*

Kiddush Luncheon following Services

March 1997 Community Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Hillel Bowling @ Joyland Lanes
2 UK vs S. Carolina @ Lexington 12:00 noon Major Gifts Event 6:00 pm	3 TAI Haftarah Class 7:30 pm Havurah Education Program 8:00 pm	4 TAI Board Meeting 7:30 pm	5 OZS Annual Fundraiser 7:00 pm TAI Rosh Chodesh Group 7:30 pm	6 ESL Class 12:30 pm Hillel Dinner 5:30 pm SEC Tournament Begins @ Memphis TBA	7 Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Mark Washofsky	8 Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Mark Washofsky
9 Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Mark Washofsky Hillel Movie Night	10 TAI Haftarah Class 7:30 pm Havurah Board Meeting 8:00 pm	11 CKJF Stitch and Schmooze 9:30 am Chabad Study 12:00 noon Hadassah Potluck Supper 6:15 pm TAI	12	13 ESL Class 12:30 pm Hillel Dinner 5:30 pm	14 <i>Deadline for Shalom</i>	15 Jenny Taff Bat Mitzvah Hadassah Potluck 7:30 pm
16	17 TAI Haftarah Class 7:30 pm	18	19 TAI Sisterhood CKJF Executive Committee 7:30 pm	20 Leisure Club 11:45 am @ TAI ESL Class 12:30 pm	21	22 Annie Rosenberg Bat Mitzvah
23 TAI Purim Carnival 11:30 am Havurah Shushan Purim Celebration 5:00 pm PURIM	24 UK Judaic Studies Lecture Series Natalie Davis 8:00 pm	25 CKJF Social Services Committee 5:30 pm CKJF Resettlement Committee 7:30 pm	26 CKJF Board Meeting 7:30 pm	27 ESL Class 12:30 pm Hillel Dinner 5:30 pm "Speak Out Lexington" OZS 7:30 pm	28 Good Friday	29
30 Adult Education OZS 1:00 pm Easter Sunday	31	February S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28		April S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30		



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