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A Hannukah Celebration

The Lexington Children's Museum and the CKJF Community Activities Committee will sponsor a Hannukah Program on Sunday, December 8, from 3:00 to 4:30 pm at the Children's Museum. The community-wide event is open to everyone. Activities will include storytelling, arts and crafts, playing the dreidle game, singing, and refreshments. If you are not a member of the Lexington Children's Museum, a limited number of free admission passes are available for children and their parents through the CKJF office, on a first come first served basis.

To make your reservation and to receive one day only free admission passes while they last, call CKJF today at 252-7600 or

252-7600.

Our thanks to the Community Activities Committee, and to Sandy

Adland, for her hard work and involvement in the planning of pre-school CKJF programs and activities.



President's Message

Shalom -

The Hebrew calendar, based on the lunar cycle, often causes the Jewish holidays to come 'early' or 'late.' This year, Hannukah will be very early. Each year we retell the Hannukah story - one of the earliest historic examples of a struggle for religious freedom. We recite blessings and sing songs reminding us of the miracle that causes us to light candles for eight nights in a row.

In recent years events in the Middle East, specifically in or related to Israel, have brought added significance to this centuries old observance. This year is no different.

This year we can rejoice at the newly attained freedom of almost 15,000 Ethiopian Jews. For them, Hannukah will be a new discovery in their new home in Israel. Their tradition is drawn from the Bible, and Hannukah is one part of the overwhelming multitude of customs and technology inundating them since their arrival in Israel this spring. How wonderful for them that they will begin to share in this joyous celebration. Approximately 300,000 new Israeli citizens from the Soviet Union will also join in the Hannukah observance, many for the first time. Their history is quite different, but the result was the same - isolation from the mainstream of modern Jewish life. This year they will celebrate together with Israelis of many backgrounds.

As I write this, we have just witnessed the convening of the opening meetings of the Middle East Peace Conference in Madrid. The media is filled with speculation about the prospects for any kind of progress towards a peaceful resolution between Israel and her Arab neighbors. We know that Israel has been requesting direct negotiations since 1948. We know, too, that after 43 years of hostility and attack, Israel is wary of concessions that would leave her vulnerable to even greater danger.

Fourteen years ago when Anwar Sadat came to Jerusalem and a peace treaty was negotiated between Israel and Egypt, Israelis were ecstatic. Today they are wary, but the

hope is there.

As Hannukah approaches, our most heartfelt wish is to see progress towards peace, and to see Israel continue to be a haven and a home for Jews from every corner of the world.

Here in Lexington we are privileged to have five new American families in our midst. By Hannukah there will be one more. I hope many of us will share our Hannukah observance with them. It will certainly add an extra sparkle to our holiday of lights.

Judy Saxe

1992 Campaign Report

Campaign chair Gloria Katz met with Leon Cooper, 1992 Men's Campaign Chair, and Marilyn Gall, Women's Division Chair, to outline the upcoming campaign events.

The Campaign Theme will be "Continue the Challenge," emphasizing our ongoing efforts to meet the needs of world Jewry - particularly in Israel - where immigration is continuing at the rate of approximately 15,000 Soviet Jews per month.

The Women's Division Board will meet on Wednesday, December 11, and the Men's Division Board will meet the following night. The major gifts event is being planned for Sunday, February 2, 1992.

Our Super Sunday Chairs, Austin Cantor and Sue Ezrine, have already been hard at work with their Committee members: laying the ground work for "A Decade of Giving," the tenth year of Super Sunday here in Central Kentucky. It will take place on - yes... Sunday, March 8th.

As campaign 1991 comes to a close, we encourage anyone who has not yet paid their pledge to do so as soon as possible. We thank you for your commitment both to our Jewish community here in Central Kentucky, in Israel, and worldwide.

News from Camp Shalom !

CKJF is now accepting Employment Applications

for Summer 1992 [June 9 - 26]

Positions Available:

- Camp Director
- Assistant Camp Director
- Head Counselor
- 3 Senior Counselors
- 3 Junior Counselors
- 3 Counselors in Training (CIT's)

For Job Description Information, please contact CKJF at 252-7600, or Jessica Ross (Chair, Camp Shalom Committee) at 273-4231

Send resume to CKJF office:
333 Waller Avenue, Suite 5
Lexington, Kentucky 40504-2901

OZS / TAI Joint Sisterhood Meeting

Wednesday, November 20th,
Temple Adath Israel
124 North Ashland Avenue

HOW TO LIVE SAFELY IN A DANGEROUS WORLD

Sponsored by Citizens Against Crime,
Louisville, Kentucky

There will be a Pot Luck dinner, vegetarian dairy food - bring a dish of your choice.

For reservations call Kim Slaton at 266-0308 or Nancy Hoffman at 268-1102

UJA Winter Family Mission Offers Unique Opportunities

Scheduled for December 22 - January 1, the popular UJA National Mission Chairman Dr. Julius L. Levy, Jr., offers families a unique opportunity to experience the people and issues of Israel together. Already 193 individuals have signed up, including large delegations from Philadelphia and New York City.

Family Mission participants will be briefed by leading Israeli experts, visit archeological sites and an army base, witness immigrant absorption programs, and celebrate Kabbalat Shabbat at the Western Wall. Scheduled activities will allow mission participants to encounter the people and issues of Israel in a way that is meaningful to all family members. The mission includes special youth programs, run by trained counselors for children seven years of age and older, that create opportunities for participants to mix with Israeli youth.

Further information on the UJA National Winter Family Mission is available from the CKJF office, at 252-7600 or 252-7622.

Hillel Foundation the University of Kentucky Jewish Student Organization

would like to hire a part-time assistant.
Random hours and word processing skills are necessary.

Please call Susan Goldstein at 269-0908 or Austin Cantor at 278-2530 for information.

Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Newsletter

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A Great Miracle Happened There!

נס גדול היה שם



Photo: David Rubinger

Hundreds of thousands of Jews from the Soviet Union and Ethiopia are celebrating their first Chanukah in Israel thanks to Operation Exodus.

But modern miracles take money.

Cash is urgently needed. Give to Operation Exodus and the Regular Campaign.

Continue the miracle.

Please send your pledge to Central Kentucky Jewish Federation now.



We Are One

St. Louis Jewish Community Centers
Association presents its
8th Annual Nationwide Jewish
Singles Supercruise!

February 9 - February 16, 1992

Set Sail on Royal Carribbean's 'Song of
America' as we head to the ports of:

Playa Del Carmen Cozumel
George Town Ocho Rios
Labadee

Prices \$1595 to \$1695
based on double occupancy
prices include all meals, activities,
port taxes and gratuities

**Memphis Jewish Singles Present
a Winter Weekend Bash**

January 17 - 20, 1992

Stay at the Omni Hotel, Memphis
There will be fabulous food, parties,
seminars, sports, and great entertainment!

Over 200 Singles expected to attend from
the Southeast and Southwest.

December Missions to Israel

Dec 22-Jan 1, '92

National Winter Family Mission

Dec 23-Jan 2, '92

Winter Student Leadership Mission

Dec 25-Jan 2, '92

Winter Student Outreach Mission

Contact Steve Caller
at 266-1314

**Resettlement Donations
Urgently Needed**

The CKJF Resettlement Program is
expecting a sixth family on November 20,
and we have **critical need of donated
goods** for them. CKJF is also expecting
two more families after the beginning of
the year. On the most needed list are:
furniture of all types, TV's, kitchen items,
bedding, linens and winter clothes for
adults and children, but all donated items
in good condition will find a home.
Please call the CKJF office at 252-7600 or
252-7622 if you have anything you would
like to donate.

**Lexington Havurah
Shabbat Service**

Friday, November 22, 1991, at 8:00 pm
at the Lexington Hearing and Speech
Center

Kathy Feinberg will lead a discussion
based on Alan Dershowitz's book
"Chutzpah." Those who have and have
not read this book will find this a
stimulating and interesting discussion.

**CHABAD OF KENTUCKY
A HANNUKAH PROGRAM**

JACOB GOLDSTEIN

A Chaplain accompanying American
troops during
the Persian Gulf War
December 2, 1991
8:00 p.m.

Greenhouse Apts. Clubhouse
Tates Creek Road
for information call
(502) 459-1770

For information on any of the activities
listed here, contact Becca at the CKJF
office: 252-7622, 252-7600

Direct flights set to begin this fall between USSR and Israel

Regular direct flights between Israel's Ben-Gurion Airport and several Soviet cities are to begin this Fall, according to an announcement made by the Ministry of Transportation.

An agreement signed by El Al and Aeroflot, the two countries' national carriers, formalizes already existing, twice-weekly El Al charter flights between Tel Aviv and Moscow. In addition, El Al will begin weekly direct flights from Leningrad and Riga to Tel Aviv on December 1.

Aeroflot will initiate weekly flights to Tel Aviv directly from Moscow, Riga, Leningrad, Tbilisi and an airport in the northern Caucasus. Aeroflot flights are already taking place from Kiev and another destination, according to El Al.

The flights in existence are for business persons and tourists, not Soviets immigrating to Israel. Jewish immigrants bound for Israel must fly to an Eastern European capital, where they change planes for Tel Aviv.

The announcement followed meetings in the Soviet Union between Israeli Transport Minister Moshe Katsav and Boris Panyukov, the Soviet minister of civil aviation. The two transportation officials signed an agreement calling for expansion of air routes.

'TO SEE AND BE SEEN'

A Live, intercontinental
sattelite link
between Hannukah celebrations
around the world

The first time ever that
Jews will be in the Kremlin
for Hannukah

Also included will be
Chabad Headquarters in New York,
the Western Wall in Israel,
the Eiffel Tower in France,
and Jews in Argentina!

Sunday, December 1st,
Telecable Channel 9

Major Initiatives to Broker Arab-Israel Peace Since 1967:

1967: After the Middle East War, the United Nations passes Resolution 242. It calls for Israeli withdrawal from captured territory, recognizes Israel's right to secure borders, designates U.N. mediator.

1969: Mediator Gunnar Jarring proposes that Israel relinquish the Sinai Desert and Egypt will then enter into a peace agreement. Egypt accepts in principle; Israel refuses, requesting direct negotiations without conditions.

1969: United States enters diplomatic picture. U.S. Secretary of State William C. Rogers III calls for Israeli withdrawal to 1967 prewar borders. Plan goes nowhere, but Rogers secures a cease-fire along Suez Canal.

1973: The Yom Kippor War leads to the Geneva peace conference, led by the United States, the Soviet Union and the United Nations.

1977: Egypt's President Anwar Sadat goes to Jerusalem, resulting in the 1978 Camp David Accords in which Israel agrees to trade the Sinai for a peace treaty, offers period of autonomy for Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Palestinians reject idea, demand statehood.

1981: Saudi Arabia offers a plan implicitly recognizing Israel's right to live in peace. Tensions leading up to the Lebanon war undermine the effort. After Israel invades Lebanon to drive out the PLO, President Reagan unveils a plan that bars a Palestinian state while making the West Bank and Gaza Strip autonomous regions associated with Jordan. Israel refuses.

1988: Secretary of State George P. Shultz calls for direct talks, security for all states in region and recognition of Palestinian rights. Palestinians are to negotiate with Israel in partnership with Jordan.

1989: Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir presents a four-part peace plan calling for direct talks with Arab states elections in the West Bank and Gaza Strip for Palestinian representatives. Palestinians insist their representatives include residents of Arab East Jerusalem and Palestinians living abroad. Israel refuses.



A HANUKKAH RITUAL FOR OUR TIME



These meditations, based on a "classic" Hanukkah hymn or text, are designed to be read on each of the nights of Hanukkah before the candles are lit. They reflect the relevance of Hanukkah to the mood, spirit and situation of our people during this year of Operation Exodus.

Just as the Maccabees wanted to be free to serve God alone, may we dedicate ourselves to serve our people and humanity by helping to bring freedom to all, and teaching by example our devotion to the God of our salvation.

LIGHTING THE HANUKKAH CANDLES

The kindling of the lights is the most significant ceremony of the Festival. It should be observed in a spirit of reverence and solemnity and in a beautiful and impressive manner.

1. The Hanukkah candles should be kindled after nightfall. The Menorah should be placed near the window for public view.
2. On Friday night the Hanukkah candles are kindled before nightfall and before the Sabbath candles. On Saturday night, they are kindled after the conclusion of the Shabbat.
3. On the first night, place one candle in the Menorah at the extreme right. Light the Shamash (the auxiliary candle) and recite the blessings. With the Shamash, light the candle in the Menorah. On the second night place two candles in the Menorah and so on, adding one candle each night of the festival. The candles in the Menorah are kindled from left to right.

HANUKKAH BLESSINGS

(Recited after the Shamash is lit but before the other candles are kindled)

Baruch Ata Ah-do-nai Eh-lo-haynu Melech Ha'olam, asher kid'sha-nu b'mitz-vo-tav vitzi-va-nu l'had-lik nayr shel Hanukkah.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, Sovereign of the Universe, who has sanctified us with Your commandments and commanded us to kindle the light of Hanukkah.

Baruch Ata Ah-do-nai Eh-lo-haynu Melech Ha'olam, she'asa ni'sim la'avotaynu ba'ya'mim ha'haym ba'zman ha-zeh.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, Sovereign of the Universe, who performed miracles for our ancestors in days of old in this time of the year.

(On the first night only)

Baruch Ata Ah-do-nai Eh-lo-haynu Melech Ha'olam, she-he-che-ya-nu, v'ki-y'ma-nu, v'hi-gi-a-nu la'zman ha-zeh.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, Sovereign of the Universe, who has kept us alive, sustained us, and permitted us to celebrate this season.

READING FOR THE FIRST NIGHT

Hanerot hallalu anakhnu madleekim (from Tractate Soferim 20:6):

These lights which we kindle tell the story of freedom: freedom from Greek oppression and from the cruel persecutions our people were made to suffer in the days of Antiochus.

READING FOR THE SECOND NIGHT

She-assah nissim la-avoteynu (from the second Hanukkah candle blessing):

"God performed miracles for our ancestors in those days." We look back over the centuries in wonder! How could a small nation like ours, few in number and poorly armed, with no support from any other nation, stand up to such a formidable enemy? And win!? In their victory, in the continuing vitality of our people, we see God's miracles.

God's miracles are with us today, too. Sometimes we are so close to them, we either miss them or take them for granted. The creation of the State of Israel in 1948 and the exodus of Soviet, Albanian and Ethiopian Jews are new miracles in our own time. By supporting our brothers and sisters—those in Israel and those who are yearning to join them in our homeland—we acknowledge that God's miracles are fulfilled by human deeds. By embracing them, we sing praise to the God of miracles, then and now.

READING FOR THE THIRD NIGHT

Oy lee, lamah yoo-ladi-tee (from Megillat Hanukkah 2:6-13):

"Woe is me," Mattathias said when he saw the horrible crimes of the Greeks in Judea and in Jerusalem. "Why was I born to see this—the crushing of my people, the destruction of the holy city—and to sit still while it is surrendered to the enemies, the holy place into the hands of foreigners? Why," he cried, "should we live any longer?" And then he gathered his sons and neighbors. They armed themselves and defeated their foes.

When we think about how our people has suffered in this century—under Communist oppression, during the Holocaust, in Ethiopia and Arab lands—it is hard not to despair. And we are troubled still. Outbreaks of anti-Semitic violence here and abroad are increasing. Israel is villified in the court of world opinion—despite its democratic virtues, in spite of its fulfillment of the dream of a safe haven for Jews.

Let us not lose hope. Like Mattathias, let us affirm, "God is with me. I shall not fear!" And, like Mattathias, let us be ever vigilant, ever among the defenders of our people.

READING FOR THE FOURTH NIGHT

Vi-yerushalayim sh-mamah, kha-midbar hayatah (from Megillat Hanukkah 3:45):

"Jerusalem was deserted, like a wilderness, none of her children went in or out." Thus was the holy city as Judah Maccabee and his brothers prepared for battle. "The Sanctuary was shattered and pagans were in the citadel. Joy was taken away from Jacob; the flute and the harp were silent."

The Maccabees were shocked by the appearance of the empty city. But they gathered together and prayed and planned. They recalled how our ancestors were saved at the Sea of Reeds when they were pursued by Pharaoh's army, and the memory gave them strength.

This Hanukkah we resolve to stand in solidarity with our people in Israel. We promise that *we* will not desert Jerusalem. We must show our Israeli brothers and sisters that we are with them by going up to Jerusalem. As we come together, our frustration with the hard challenges that face us will be transformed into faith in the One who liberates and saves Israel.

READING FOR THE FIFTH NIGHT

Va-yarev kavod l'amo (from *Megillat Hanukkah* 3:3-9):

Judah Maccabee "increased his people's glory far and wide." Like a lion in his courage and strength, Judah won many battles and secured victory for our people. In a world filled with evil, the Maccabees enabled our people to stand tall.

In our violent world, we Jews stand proudly because of Israel's might. From its beginning, vast forces have been set against Israel's survival. But over and over again we have witnessed the victory of the few against the many as Israel has defended its people. Last year brought Scuds; may this year bring peace.

We pray for the peace of Jerusalem and Israel, keeping in mind God's word to Joshua, who led our people into the Holy Land: "Be strong and resolute; do not be terrified or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

READING FOR THE SIXTH NIGHT

Mee yi-ma-layl ge'vurot Yisrael (from the folk song; Hebrew by Menashe Ravina, English by Ben Edidin):

"Who can recount the things that befell us..." What a thrilling story Hanukkah tells! The revolt against religious persecution, the purification and rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem, the establishment of an independent Jewish state, and perhaps most important, the development of ways to preserve Judaism and prevent us from being engulfed by the Hellenism that overwhelmed every other culture in the ancient Near East.

Because the Maccabee revolt succeeded, our rabbis were able to shape a Judaism that has been strong and wise enough to guide our people for two millennia. Our people and faith survived, unique among the peoples.

May our faith be as strong as theirs; may we be wise enough to learn from every person. And may we also marshal the ability to resist assimilation, using our faith to measure what is good and what God requires of us — justice, righteousness, humility, wisdom, steadfastness of character, a compassionate heart and a charitable hand.

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READING FOR THE SEVENTH NIGHT

Ma-oz tzur yi'shu-a-tee (from the anthem by Mordecai ben Isaac):

"Mighty Rock of my salvation, praised beyond compare, You are our God and Deliverer. When the Greeks assailed us in the days of the Hasmoneans, breaking through the defenses, profaning the pure oil, You wrought a miracle from the remaining container, causing our sages to decree eight days of singing and rejoicing!"

The memory of Hanukkah has given strength to many generations of our people. Without weapons, totally vulnerable, they clothed themselves with the armor of the spirit; they understood that "not by might, nor by power, but by God's spirit" they could prevail.

This is the spirit that sustained Soviet Jews through all the dark years of totalitarian oppression. This is the spirit that Ethiopian Jews nurtured during their centuries-long exile. Now they are at freedom's door. We prayed for them, marched for them, and visited with them to give them strength. Now, through our assistance, we must ensure the success of their Exodus as they emerge into freedom and arrive in Israel. We must help give the story of their salvation a happy ending. With great joy, they join us in singing these words from *Rock of Ages*:

*Yours the message cheering
that the time is nearing
which will see all peoples free
tyrants disappearing.*

READING FOR THE EIGHTH NIGHT

*Kindle the taper like the steadfast star
Ablaze on evening's forehead o'er the earth:
Send through the night its luster till afar
An eight-fold splendor shines above the earth.*

These words, from the poem, "The Feast of Lights," by Emma Lazarus (1849-1887), set the mood for this final night of Hanukkah with its "eight-fold splendor." We proclaim the miracles of this season: the victory of the Maccabees, the renewal of our faith, the triumph of the spirit. In every age that followed this victory over frustration and despair, "a hero, a sage," inspired by these achievements, has emerged to lead us into a brighter future.

We acknowledge God's blessings: life, sustenance and the privilege of seeing and helping to make miracles happen in our own time, as we pledge to participate in Operation Exodus and to meet the real challenges that still face us.

May we be worthy members of our noble and glorious House of Israel. May the blessing of peace be upon Israel and all of God's children, Amen.

From War...

A Chronology of Arab-Israeli Wars

1948-9 War of Independence - Some 6,200 Israelis were killed. Arab losses were estimated at 2,000 regular troops. No figures are available for Arab and Palestinian irregulars.

Suez War of 1956 - Israel lost 172, with another 817 wounded. Egyptian casualties were an estimated 2,000 to 3,000 dead. British and French casualties were 82 killed and 129 wounded.

June 1967 Six-day War - Egypt lost an estimated 11,500 men, with 10,000 taken prisoner, including nine generals, in six days of combat. Syria lost 1,000 troops, with 600 captured. Jordan lost 6,094. Israel lost 777 men, and another 2,811 were wounded.

Egyptian-Israeli War of Attrition - From July 1967 to August 1970, Israel lost 721, including 127 civilians. Another 2,659 were wounded. Arab casualties are not known, but at the peak of fighting Egypt was reportedly suffering an estimated 300 casualties a day.

October 1973 Yom Kippur War - In Israel 2,569 were killed, 7,500 were wounded and 530 were captured in the three-week conflict. Syria lost an estimated 3,500 with 21,000 wounded and 370 captured. Egypt had an estimated 15,000 killed, 30,000 wounded, and 9,000 captured. Iraqi casualties were 125 killed and 260 wounded.

March-June 1978 Incursion into Southern Lebanon - By Israeli estimates, about 250 to 400 Palestinian guerrillas were killed, along with about 1,000 Lebanese civilians. Israeli combat fatalities were put at 22. The assault by 8,000 Israeli troops was triggered by a Palestinian guerrilla raid in which 36 Israelis were killed.

1982-85 Invasion of Lebanon - Israel lost 657 killed and 3,887 wounded. Syria had 370 fatalities, 1,000 wounded and 250 captured. The PLO lost an estimated 1,000 with 6,000 captured. According to press reports, more than 19,000 Lebanese and Palestinians, mostly civilians, were killed and another 30,000 wounded.

To Peace

Peace Talks: Beyond Belligerency in Madrid

Without reciprocal concessions there can be no enduring peace between Israel and its Arab neighbors. Yet Syria offered nothing more than a boilerplate assault on Zionism and a demand for the return of "every inch" of Arab land occupied by Israel since 1967 - thus staking a position in which any compromise might seem a sellout to unprepared Syrians.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, especially by contrast, sounded like a statesman. He pleaded the need for dialogue and accommodation, and spoke of Israel's yearning for peace. He said nothing about territorial compromises, which he and his party oppose, but called for the achievable; an agreement on interim self-government arrangements with Palestinians in the occupied territories.

The telltale word is 'interim,' meaning that the final status of these lands would be determined in the future. This was the formula agreed on at Camp David in 1978 but never realized. Recall that Mr. Shamir, then Speaker of the Israeli Parliament, joined with other hard-liners in rejecting the Camp David accord that brought peace with Egypt in return for Israel giving up the Sinai.

If Mr. Shamir has changed his stance so have the Palestinians. Haidar Abdel-Shafi, who leads the delegation at Madrid, mostly avoided the ugly clichés of 40 years of bitterness. Without recrimination he described the torments of occupation and the anguish of the powerless. Tellingly, he expressed 'solemn appreciation' to Israelis who came to the aid of Palestinians whose homes were being punitively demolished.

"We have marched together," he said, "often choking together in nondiscriminatory tear gas, all crying out in pain as the clubs descended on both Palestinian and Israeli alike...We once formed a human chain around Jerusalem, joining hands and calling for peace. Let us today form a moral chain around Madrid and continue that noble effort for peace and the promise of freedom."

Healing words like these mean far more than Syria's effusions or the failure of some Arabs and Israelis to shake hands in novel, and awkward circumstances. Pessimists could find plenty of harsh language to dwell on from yesterday's transfixing performances. But the spirit of Mr. Abdel-Shafi's appeal augurs more hopefully for the direct talks expected soon to follow.

Bar Mitzvah

*Our son, Eric James,
will be called to the Torah
as a Bar Mitzvah*

*on Saturday, December 7, 1991
at 10:30 in the morning
Temple Adath Israel
124 North Ashland Avenue*

*We invite you to join us in worship
on this joyous occasion
and to be our guest
at a Kiddush luncheon
following the service.*

Karen and Robert Cole

*My family and I would be honored
to have you join us
when I will be called
to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah
Saturday, December 21, 1991
at 10:30 in the morning*

*Temple Adath Israel
124 North Ashland Avenue*

*Luncheon immediately following
the services*

*I will symbolically share this occasion
with Vadim Kopson
of St. Petersburg, Russia*

Benjamin Miller Auerback

Marriage Announcement

*Joseph and Evelyn Moreida Krislov
and*

*Robert and Irma Sheon
invite you to join them
in the celebration of the marriage
of their children*

Marvin Krislov and Amy Ruth Sheon

*Saturday, November 30, 1991
at 10:00 in the morning
Ohavay Zion Synagogue
Please join us for a light Kiddush
luncheon, at noon, after services*

*Marvin and Amy were married on August
25, 1991 at Congregation Beth El,
Bethesda, Maryland*



Bikel Performance at University Delightful

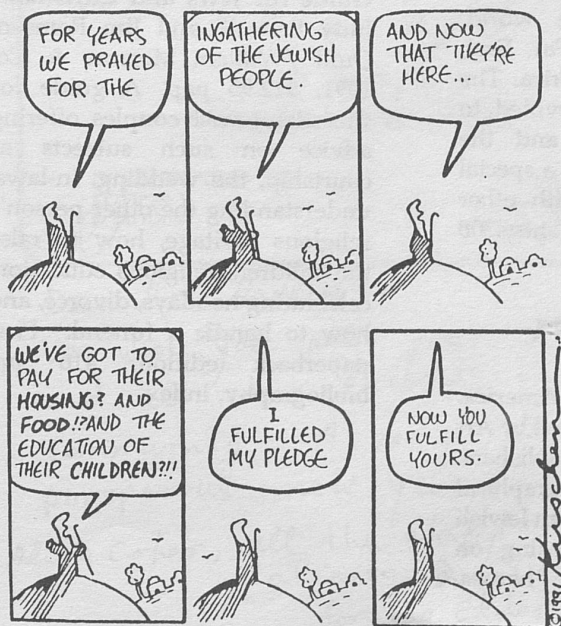
On October 6, 1991, the Lexington community was treated to a superb performance by Theodore Bikel. The concert was attended by more than 800 people from both the Jewish community and the Lexington community at large.

Mr. Bikel performed a wide range of songs including show tunes and traditional Jewish music. Among the highlights of his performance were selections from 'My Fair Lady,' the Jewish traditional, *Jerusalem of Gold*, and closed the performance with his own famous rendition of The Fiddler on the Roof selection, 'If I were a Rich Man,' for which he received a standing ovation.

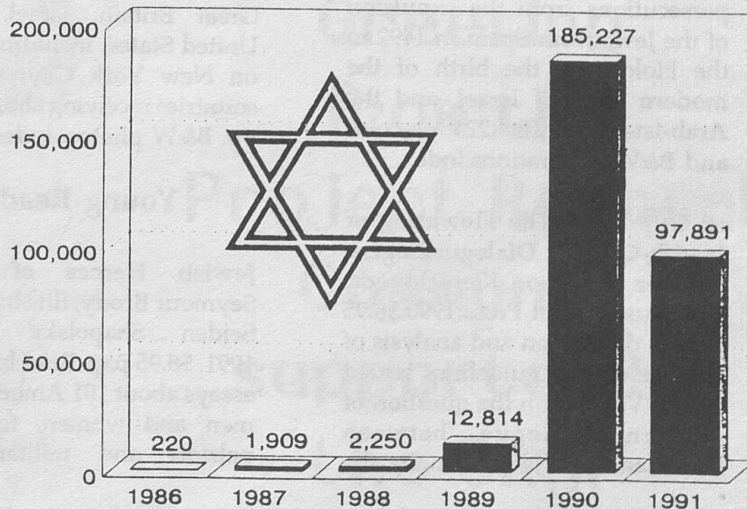


The CKJF Forum Committee would like to thank everyone who helped to make the event a success, especially Hadassah members, who did a fine job providing the reception refreshments. We would also like to thank Ohavay Zion Synagogue, Temple Adath Israel, and Lexington Havurah for providing support to make this performance possible.

CKJF, in turn, would like to thank the Forum Committee Chairs, Marilyn Moosnick and Rose Rita Wurmser for their hard work and diligence in organizing this wonderful event.



ANNUAL SOVIET IMMIGRATION TO ISRAEL: NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS



JEWISH BOOK MONTH

NOVEMBER 2 - DECEMBER 2, 1991

BOOKS: OUR JEWISH HERITAGE

Fiction

To Know a Woman. Amos Oz; translated from the Hebrew by Nicholas de Lange. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich. 1991. \$19.95. This novel focuses on the life of Yoel Ravid, a retired Israeli secret service agent. Recently widowed, he lives with his mother, mother-in-law, and troubled daughter. Since his wife's death, Ravid's trance-like melancholy has been undisturbed except for images of violence from his past. As he struggles to reconcile these images with his present life, he is nagged by the feeling that he has forgotten something.

Non-fiction

The Illustrated Atlas of Jewish Civilization: 4,000 Years of Jewish History. Josephine Badon; edited by Martin Gilbert. Macmillan Publishing. 1990. \$35.00. A visual survey of Jewish history from the emergence of Jews in ancient Palestine to the present day. The topics covered include the great diaspora, the flowering of Yiddish culture in Europe, pogroms and persecutions from the expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492 to the Holocaust, the birth of the modern State of Israel, and the Arab-Israeli conflict. 224 pp., color and B&W illustrations, index.

In Our Time: The Flowering of Jewish-Catholic Dialogue. Eugene J Fisher and Leon Klenicki, eds. Stimulus/Paulist Press. 1990. \$8.95 pap. A discussion and analysis of statements and guidelines issued by the Vatican on the question of modern dialogue between Christians and Jews. Among the

documents it contains are the *Declaration on the Relationship of the Church to Non-Christian Religions*, and *Notes on the Correct Way to Present Jews and Judaism*. An annotated bibliography is also included. vi, 161pp, bibliography.

The Jewish Home Advisor. Alfred J. Kolatch. Jonathan David Publishers. 1990. \$16.94. A guide to Jewish practice. The major topics covered are The Formative Years, Jews by Choice, Marriage and Divorce, Death and Mourning, The Foods We Eat, Basic Rituals, Customs and Blessings, In the Synagogue, the Sabbath, The Spring Holidays, The Fall Holidays, and Hanukkah, Purim, & other Minor Holidays. xxviii, 362pp, bibliography, index.

The Jewish Travel Guide 1991. Danny Koffman, ed. Jewish Chronicle Publications; distributed by Sepher-Hermon Press. 1991. \$11.50 pap. Information on kosher restaurants, hotels, synagogues, places of historic interest, and Jewish organizations and businesses around the world, including Israel, the Far East, Eastern Europe, and Africa. The bulk of the book is devoted to Great Britain, Israel, and the United States, including a special on New York City, with other countries receiving short entry. 308 pp. B&W photos. index.

Young Readers

Jewish Heroes of America. Seymour Brody; illustrated by Art Seiden. Shapolsky Publishers. 1991. \$8.95 pap. Brief biographical essays about 101 American Jewish men and women, focusing on patriots and military heroes.

Among those profiled are the first Jewish man to die in combat for the US, the organizers of the Red Cross, Jewish recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor, the first Jewish army chaplains, and sports and entertainment figures. xvii, 202 pp, B/W illustrations. Ages 12 and up.

A Mouse in our Jewish House. Florence Zeldin; illustrated by Lisa Rauchwerger. Torah Aura Productions. 1990. \$11.95. This book combines counting lessons with information on the Jewish holidays. Atchie Akhbar, a mouse, eats his way through the Jewish year, from apples dipped in honey on Rosh Hashanah, to vegetables in the Sukkah on Sukkot, to cake on Yom Haatzmaut. Unp. B/W illustrations. Ages 2 to 7. Write to 4423 Fruitland Avenue, Los Angeles, CA, 90058.

Reference

The Intermarriage Handbook: A Guide for Jews and Christians. Judy Petsonk and Jim Remsen. Quill /William Morrow & Co. 1991. \$12.95 pap. A guide for Christian-Jewish couples, offering advice on such subjects as courtship, the wedding, in-laws, understanding the other person's religious heritage, how to raise the children, religious education, celebrating holidays, divorce, and how to handle a funeral. First paperback edition. 416 pp. bibliography. index.

December, 1991

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Chanukah Party at Children's Museum	2 Maj. Jacob Goldstein speaks at Chabad Chanukah Event	3 OZS and TAI Board Meetings	4 Hadassah General Meeting	5	6 OZS Sisterhood Shabbaton	7 Eric Cole Bar Mitzvah TAI
8	9	10 Hadassah Board Meeting	11 UJA Women's Board	12 UJA Men's Board Hadassah Women's Discussion Group 7:30 pm	13	14
15	16	17	18 TAI Sisterhood Luncheon Meeting 12:30	19	20	21 Ben Auerback Bar Mitzvah TAI

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Dear Mrs. Ravvim !!
 We wish you all your family,
 and all our friends in your
 community. A very happy and
 prosperous new year.
 Alina Cohen, all the staff and
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A New Year's
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BULGARIA

Although there is no overt anti-Semitism, the gates are open now and the approximately 4,000 Jews — many relatively well-to-do professionals — want out. Destination: invariably Israel. Young people see no future in Bulgaria and more than 1,000 have arrived in Israel in recent months on direct Sofia-Tel Aviv flights, many to join relatives in the closely-knit Bulgarian communities of Jaffa and Bat Yam.

ARGENTINA

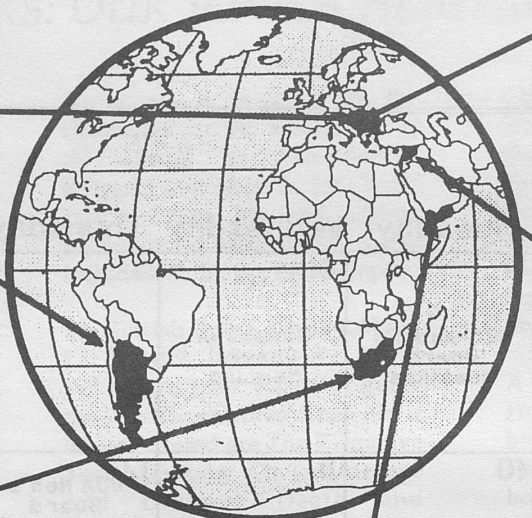
Slightly fewer than 2,000 immigrants a year have come to Israel in the past two years, the rate rising and falling in parallel with the economic conditions facing the 220,000 Jews still in Argentina.

SOUTH AFRICA

Some of the 100,000 Jews feel caught between black anti-Zionism and an anti-Semitic white backlash as apartheid laws are dismantled. Others lack confidence in the political and economic stability of South Africa in transition from white minority government to black majority rule. Over the past decade about 20,000 have left, mostly for English-speaking countries. To date, immigration to Israel has been in the low hundreds per year.

TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY

Where will the next waves of immigrants come from?



YEMEN

1,300-1,600 Jews are left in outlying areas, far from Sana'a, the capital, under the protection of local sheikhs. Their movements are restricted. Many are silversmiths fallen on hard times, because of low tourism levels. Children are schooled in Yiddish by Satmar hasidim, the only Jews allowed in. The chances of Yemen's Jews leaving for Israel depends on international pressure.

HUNGARY

There is a prospect of large-scale immigration from this Jewish population of 100,000, the fourth largest in Europe. With Communist domination over, there is freedom to return to Jewish roots — and also less restraint on anti-Semitism. So far, annual immigration to Israel has been in the low hundreds.

ELSEWHERE IN EASTERN EUROPE

There is a slow, unrestricted trickle of immigration from Poland (community: 6,000-8,000) and Czechoslovakia (10,000-12,000 Jews). Rumania's 18,000 Jews are having little trouble getting out, and the monthly aliya rate now averages about 100.

SYRIA

The 4,000 Jews are not free to leave. They are closely watched, their letters opened and their phones tapped. Two families were recently caught escaping across the Turkish border and the men are now in jail.

On May 29, Foreign Minister David Levy asked visiting American Senator Rudy Boschwitz, who played a key role in rescuing Ethiopian Jewry, to help U.S. Secretary of State James Baker has discussed Syrian Jewry's plight with President Hafiz Asad. The Israelis want the American administration to link aid to Syria to the human rights issue.

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