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Saturday, December 4 &

Sunday, December 5

Chanukah Weekend with WVU Hillel

Sponsored by UK Hillel

Our annual Latke Party will be held on Saturday, December 4 at 5 p.m. at Temple Adath Israel, 124 N. Ashland Ave. This year we will be joined by Hillel members from West Virginia University and possibly other schools. To greet our guests, we will have a lunch at 1 p.m. Following the Latke party, we will be going to see the Kentucky Thoroughblades hockey team play Albany at Rupp Arena (starting time is 7:30 p.m.). We would like to get group seating, so please let David Cantor know if you plan to

attend (278-2530 or e-mail dacant0@pop.uky.edu). We also have a 10:30 a.m. bagel brunch planned for Sunday, December 5. Please mark your calendars now!

Sunday, December 5

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Chanukah Celebration and Latke Feast

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Tuesday, December 7

Chanukah Party

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Temple Adath Israel, 11:45 AM

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Sunday, December 12

Community Chanukah Party

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December 25 at Bella Notte

The ever popular CKJF Winter Dinner moves to a new night and a new location for 1999. The festivities kick off on Saturday, December 25 at Bella Notte restaurant, on Nicholasville Road, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The Jewish community joins together for an evening of fun, good food, and a chance to meet and greet old and new friends.

The evening begins with a Havdalah Service, then a buffet dinner of salad, various pastas, and pizzas will be served. Terry Francis, our "annual" magician, will entertain the crowd. This year, thanks in part to the Fayette Mall Merchant's Association, there is a drawing for Thoroughblades Hockey tickets and a \$100 Fayette Mall shopping spree.

The cost for the event is \$15.00 for each adult, \$6.00 for children ages 6-10, and children five and under eat for free.

A very important function of this event is to collect food for the hungry. Please bring two nonperishable food items for every member of your party. If you don't bring the food, you will be asked to make a donation to God's Pantry. All food and funds collected will be donated to God's Pantry.

Volunteers are welcome and needed to finalize the plans for the evening. Organizing arts and crafts for the children, helping collect food and tickets at the door, and arranging the floor plan for the evening are some of the details that could use volunteer help. Please call Holly Barnhill at the CKJF office, 268-0672, if you would like to help with the Winter Dinner.

Tickets for the Winter Dinner can be purchased by filling out the reservation form on page 11 and mailing it, along with your check, to the CKJF office. Space is limited, so get your reservations early! *



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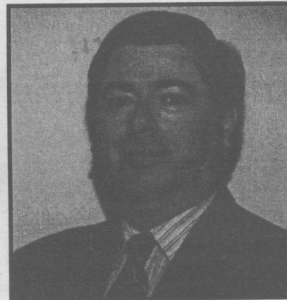
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Jews by Choice

by **Daniel Cheffec**
Executive Director
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I once heard this story about Arthur Greenhill (a Jew from Chicago), and his newly wedded wife Constance (a Jew from Moscow). During their honeymoon in Europe, they were looking for a place to stay, but all the hotels in this European city were full. All but one. This Hotel, however, had a sign clearly stating that it will not accept Jews. Arthur then told his wife: "let me do the talking, because if you open your mouth, they'll find out immediately that we are Jews." So Constance kept her mouth shut, and the registration proceeded without a single hitch. The next morning, Constance goes down to the pool, but when she dives in, the water is too cold, and caught off guard, she yells "Oy Vey." Seeing how everybody at the pool is looking at her, she adds "vatever dat means."

When our ancestors lived in the old country, a long time ago, this story would have been unthinkable...Jews were Jews, they lived together and they were not allowed to live among the gentiles. Since you were born into a community—Jewish in this case—that is where you spent your life. Unless, of course, you decided to abandon your community and even convert—and there were many who did just that. You had, however, to take conscious action. If you did nothing, you remained Jewish and people saw you as a Jew. To be seen as a non Jew, you had to take action—conversion or otherwise.

After the Emancipation at the end of the XVIII and beginning of the XIX Century, however, Jews left the Ghetto and the equation began to change. For Jews who came to America, this change was even faster. Today, after several advances and setbacks, some of them very painful, American Jews are by and large seen as Americans. Only if you identify yourself ("Oy Vey"), your Jewishness becomes evident. You need to make a conscious effort to remain Jewish. This is, in other words, the opposite of the old paradigm. If our great great grandparents did nothing special, they remained Jewish. If we do nothing special, we become "hidden Jews" at best, and our children will not see Judaism as an integral part of *their* lives—or even consider it a burden.

To be a Jew in XXI Century America, we need to take action. We need to actively engage in Jewish life and translate our Jewish convictions and beliefs into action. We need to volunteer. We need to express our opinions and convictions. We need to be actively engaged in a dialogue with our fellow Jews through Jewish community life, and in

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COMMUNITY



Martin Luther King March

Monday, January 17, 2000, 10:00 AM at Heritage Hall

The Jewish Community will band together to show support for unity among all people in the Martin Luther King March. Every Jewish organization is welcome to participate and carry their own banner. We will meet at Heritage Hall at 9:45 to join as a group and march together as representatives of the Jewish community. Please call Holly Barnhill at the CKJF office (268-0672) to let us know you will be participating. The CKJF Community Relations Committee is sponsoring a free Continental Breakfast immediately before the Martin Luther King March for members of the Jewish Community planning to march in the parade.

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Following breakfast we will meet again at Heritage Hall

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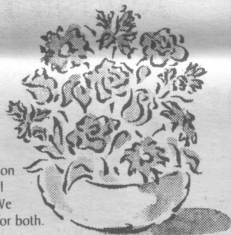


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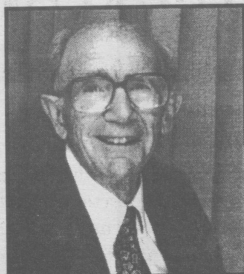
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THE GREATEST

by Michael E. Adelstein

Before this year's baseball season fades completely from memory, let me take you back to the second game of the World Series between the Yankees and the Braves. What made that game captivating from the TV audience's point of view was the pre-game ceremony honoring the so-called All Century Team.

Stealing that show was the interview of Pete Rose conducted by the brash NBC reporter Jim Gray. (Now I'm not one of Pete's defenders, but I do feel that he should have appeared with the others because of his record as baseball's all-time hit leader and because he was chosen by the fans.)

However, that's besides my story. I was glued to the TV, hoping to watch an interview with Willie Mays, the most exciting all-around player I have seen, or with the greatest Jewish player of the century, Sandy Koufax.

What—you've never heard of Koufax? Tut, tut, you youngsters. Gather round and let me tell you the tale of one of baseball's greatest pitchers of the century, who was honored years ago by being elected to Baseball's Hall of Fame and then was recently selected to be on this All-Century Team.

Growing up in New York City, I had my choice of rooting for the Giants, Dodgers, or Yankees. I became a Giant fan because of the prowess of Carl Hubbell, the famous screwball pitcher who struck out Jimmy Foxx, Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Al Simmons, and Joe Cronin in the first three innings of an All-Star game; of Bill Terry, who was the last National League .400 hitter; and Mel Ott, who ranks among the top all-time home run hitters; plus Bobby Thomson, who hit the home run heard around the world. But being Jewish, I also rooted for the Jewish kid from Brooklyn, Sandy Koufax.

During his first six years as a Dodger, Koufax suffered from unbelievable wildness while developing a sweeping curve and blazing fastball, which probably was close to

100 miles an hour in these pre-speed gun days. (At age fifty, in a Dodger batting practice, his fast ball was clocked at 90 miles an hour.)

But being a bonus baby and jumping from the University of Cincinnati at 19, Koufax was not allowed by the rules at that time to gain experience in the minors. Unable to pitch frequently, he struggled for six years before becoming one of the most feared pitchers in baseball. Then he compiled an amazing record.

He won 129 games and lost just 47 from 1961-66. During this period, he threw one perfect game and three other no-hitters. He led the National League in strike-outs four times and had the lowest earned run average five times. In 1963, 1965, and 1966 he won the Cy Young Award. In 1963 he was selected as the most valuable player and in the same year and again in 1965, he was voted the World Series' most valuable player. In that season, he struck out 382 batters, a feat few pitchers have bettered.

Unfortunately, Koufax developed arthritis in his pitching elbow in 1966. He was thirty, probably having at least five great baseball years ahead of him. But he couldn't straighten out his arm except when he pitched. It was curved so much that he had to learn to shave with his right hand. Even the frequent shots of cortisone provided little relief. The only thing that helped was soaking his arm in ice water for 30 minutes after he pitched. Doctors warned that he was risking permanent damage to the arm if he continued playing.

Despite the excruciating pain, Sandy started seven times in the last 26 days of his career, compiling five complete-game victories, a World Series loss, and an 1.07 ERA. With two days rest, he clinched the pennant for the LA Dodgers for the second straight year.

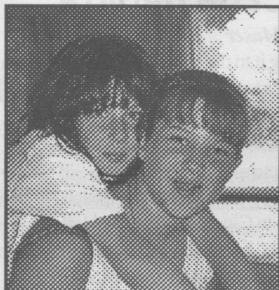
But he refused to pitch on the Jewish high holy days during the World Series. That's one reason why "Sports Illustrated" featured him recently in an article entitled "The Left Arm of God" and stated that he was the most dominant player of his time, being "the pitcher perfect on the field or off."

Another publication praised him by writing that he "put the team before self, modesty before fame, and God before the World Series."

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FEATURE

CAMP SHALOM 2000



Sponsored by the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation

Plans are well on the way for Camp Shalom 2000, a day camp sponsored by the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, for children 4- to 10+ years old in the Lexington Jewish community as well as the general public. This year's Camp Shalom will be held at the Lansdowne Club for three weeks, July 24 through August 11. Arts and crafts, games, and swimming are just some of the fun activities planned for this summer. "Kindercamp" for 4-year-olds will run from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Camp for children 5 and up will be in session from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Thursday, and from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Friday. Children may sign up for all three weeks, or the week(s) of their choice. To reserve a spot for your child(ren), fill out the registration form below, enclose a non-refundable deposit of \$50 for each child enrolled (check payable to CKJF), and mail to: CKJF, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, KY 40502.

Now accepting applications for: (Job descriptions are available through the CKJF office.)

Camp Director (see job posting on page 7)

Camp Specialists:

Kindercamp Director

Physical Education

Art/Music

Counselors: (Must be 16 or older)

Please address resumes and all inquiries to:

Holly Barnhill, CKJF, 340 Romany Road
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Photo's from last millennium's Camp Shalom



CAMP SHALOM 2000 Early Registration

July 24 - August 11 at the Lansdowne Club

Camp Shalom (Ages 5-10+) 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday-Thursday & 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Friday

Kindercamp (Age 4 by July 1, 2000) 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Monday - Friday

Camp Shalom Tuition: \$175 per week • Kindercamp Tuition: \$87.50 per week

Non-refundable deposit of \$50 per child due with application.

Parent's Information:

Father's Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ Business Phone _____

Mother's Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ Business Phone _____

Child's Information:

Name _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____

Grade Entering Fall of 2000 _____ E-Mail Address _____

Please enroll for Camp Shalom (5-10+ years old):

☐ Week 1: July 24-July 28 x \$175 = _____

☐ Week 2: July 31-August 4 x \$175 = _____

☐ Week 3: August 7-August 11 x \$175 = _____

Please enroll for Kindercamp (4-years old):

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☐ Week 2: July 31-August 4 x \$87.50 = _____

☐ Week 3: August 7-August 11 x \$87.50 = _____

Total Tuition = _____

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Non-refundable deposit due with application- \$50.00 BALANCE DUE BY JULY 14, 2000

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(CKJF Office)

See Page 1 of this issue of Shalom for Leisure Club
Channukah Party Information

CKJF LEISURE CLUB UPDATE

By Ruth Moser

It's time! Polish your menorah and bring it to the annual CKJF Leisure Club Channukah Party! Come at 11:45 on Tuesday, December 7th at the Temple Adath Israel and enjoy listening to the Sherman Klezmer roud while you fress on latkes, sourcream, applesauce, and other goodies. And Channukah gifts for everyone!

Leisure Club plans for 2000 include our annual soire to the Coach House in January, possibly a Passover shopping trip to Cincinnati, a 100th doll extravaganza with Hadassah, several "meet and eat," a financial program with Annette's husband Tomas, our annual May or June Leisure Club/New American get-together, and ending the year with the annual Leisure club/New American Channukah Party.

So, come to the Leisure Club Channukah Party where you can do lots of eating, listen to the Sherman Klezmer Group, meet new friends, have fun, and where you can always k'vetch and k'vell.

P.S. No SHALOM in January, but we will meet for lunch on Thursday, January 20th at 11:45 at the Coach House. Call CKJF at 268-0672 by January 17th to let us know if you are coming. *

Israel Chai Bonds

Don't forget to order Israel Chai Bonds for your children and grandchildren for Channukah, birthdays, and especially for Bar and Bat Mitzvahs. The cost is \$136 and they mature in 5 years to \$180. Pick up your forms at the Leisure Club. *

Leisure Club 1999 in Review

What a way to end 1999! This has been an eventful year for the Leisure Club—here is what we did:

January—Annual January luncheon at the Coach House

February—Lunch at Szechuan Gardens

March—Lunch at Jonathan's at Gratz Park

April—Co-Op Nutrition Mission at TAI

May—Annual Leisure Club/New American Shavot luncheon with R&R (Kim Slaton and Sandy Adlan) at the Temple Adath Israel

June—Lunch at Giuseppe's

July—vacation

August—Lunch at Fazoli's

September—off for the Holidays

October—First Annual Hadassah/CKJF Leisure Club/Israel Bond luncheon at Portabella's

November—Lunch at Cafe Jennifers

December—Annual Leisure Club/New Americans Chafinukah Party at TAI with entertainment by the Sherman Klezmer Group

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FEATURE

Jewish Family Services of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation

by *Shainey Marcus*

The parenting program was very successful. You rated the series as being helpful and useful. There were many great suggestions for future programs in this area. The 2000 calendar has accommodated some of these requests. We always like to hear from you, so if you have any suggestions please let us know. One request was for a reference list of books that will help you further learn about parenting issues. Here is a short list I compiled for you with the assistance of some of the speakers. ENJOY!

Parenting with Love on Logic: Teaching Children Responsibility—Foster W. MD Cline
Perfect Parenting: The Dictionary of 1,000 Parenting Tips—Elizabeth Pantley, William, MD Sears
Parenting Teens With Love & Logic: Preparing Adolescents for Responsible Adulthood—Jim Fay
1,2,3...The Toddler Years: A Practical Guide for Parents & Caregivers—Irene Van De Zande
1-2-3 Magic: Effective Discipline for Children 2-12—Thomas W. Phelan Ph.D., Glen Ellyn
10 Best Gifts for your Teen: Raising Teens with Love and Understanding—Pat Saso
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Best Baby Names for Jewish Children—Alfred J. Kolatch
If I'm Jewish and You're Christian, What are the Kids?: A Parenting Guide for Interfaith Families—Andrea King, Alexander M. Schindler
The Interfaith Family Guidebook: Practical Advice for Jewish and Christian Partners—Joan C. Hawxhurst
The Jewish Baby Handbook: A Guide for Expecting Parents—Douglas Weber
Jewish Parenting Wisdom—Steven M. Rosman
Jewish Parents: A Teacher's Guide—Joel Lurie Grishaver
Jewish Pride: 101 Reasons to Be Proud You're Jewish—Michael Shapiro
Once Upon a Shabbos—Jacqueline Jules, Kartherine Kahn
Out of the Mouths of Babes: What Children Can Teach Us About Spirituality, Jewish Issues and the Jewish People—Rabbi Mark S. Bloom
Teaching Your Children About G-d: A Modern Jewish Approach—David J. Wolpe
To Raise A Jewish Child: A Guide For Parents—Hayim Halevy Donin
Whose Bar/Bat Mitzvah Is This Anyway?: A Guide for Parents Through a Family Rite of Passage—Judith Davis
My Child, My Disciple: A Practical, Torah-Based Guide to Effective Discipline in the Home—Noach Orlowek
For more titles please contact the Jewish Family Services office at (606) 269-8244. *

An Overview on the JFS Series Jewish Parenting In The New Millennium

by *Hanna Smith*

I had the privilege and pleasure to attend three of the four Jewish parenting sessions which

were sponsored by the Jewish Family Services during the month of October. Four speakers all with different professional and personal backgrounds presented various aspects of the challenges of parenting and family life. The mix of speakers by itself made the sessions fascinating.

During the first session on October 10, Dr. Vernon Wiehe of the University of Kentucky School of Social Work discussed the issue of family violence and its impact upon the individual and society. The following Sunday, October 17, Alan Siegel and Susan Isaacs of the Fayette County School Board presided over a lively question and answer session about managing children's behavior at home and in school. Rabbi Yizchok Preis who teaches at a kollel in Cincinnati and who was the presenter on October 24, connected his audience to their Jewish roots by discussing the characteristics of good Jewish parents and how these have endured throughout the ages.

Unfortunately I was not able to attend the fourth meeting, presented by Debra Nussbaum Cohen on October 31, but understand that this session was also thought provoking and stimulating.

The sessions were scheduled during Sunday School hours and the location alternated between TAI and OZS, thus giving as many parents as possible a chance to attend. We hope that the Jewish Family Services will continue to host programs that meet the needs of Jewish families in this area. *

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FEATURE

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In a 1980s poll of 5,000 living baseball players with 645 responding, Koufax was ranked second behind Bob Feller as the toughest pitcher the players faced. He was followed by Ewell Blackwell, Bob Gibson, Nolan Ryan, and Carl Hubbell. But Koufax led all others as the best southpaw, followed by Lefty Grove, Warren Spahn, Steve Carlton, Carl Hubbell, and Whitey Ford. Babe Ruth (remember, he started as a pitcher) tied for 13th toughest.

Off the field, Koufax was an unusual player. He went to concerts and the theater, ate at the finest restaurants, golfed at exclusive clubs, and read good books. He was a private person, avoiding crowds, preferring to fade from sight off the field. Everyone spoke highly of him as a person.

Although today there are some fine Jewish baseball players, such as the All-Star reserves: Shawn Green (Toronto), Brad Ausmus (Detroit), and Mike Lieberthal (Philadelphia), there's only one Sandy Koufax—a real mensch. *

Politically Incorrect

Politically Incorrect is a continuing feature in *Shalom* where middle school and high school students have the opportunity to voice their opinions on issues they face. This is **YOUR** chance to **SPEAK OUT!** Any middle school or high school student interested in submitting an article for **Politically Incorrect** may do so by sending it to: *Shalom/CKJF*, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, KY 40502, or by e-mail to: bocephus@lex.infi.net. If you have any questions about this column, feel free to call Carrie McDonald at the CKJF office, 268-0672; home, 887-8046 or pager, 258-0443. Deadline for the next issue is Friday, January 14th.

EVERY NEW BEGINNING...

by Shane O'Connor

I know it's been a while since you all last heard from me. To tell you the truth, it's been a while since I've last heard from me as well. That's how busy I am at college. College is a lot different than I expected though. I only have a few classes, which don't meet all that often, and really don't assign too much homework. So why am I so busy then? Well, the classes and homework themselves take up time, plus a few of my classes have these things called "labs," which I now know is short for "labor, as in heavy." Not to mention that beyond that I have my work-study job. Why they actually call it work-study is beyond me, since so far we've focused totally on the work and not at all on the study. All in all, it's a pretty heavy workload.

Of course, college does have its up sides. Namely, the girls. They are everywhere! You go to lunch; they're there. You go out for a walk; they're there. You step out in the hall in your dorm to walk downstairs, and they're there! It's like some sort of beautiful dream. There's also the freedom part of it too. Now that I am not living under the yoke of my parents, I can do whatever I want! When I first came here, I got a debit card (which is like a credit card, minus all the bad stuff) and now I am being hailed as "the Biggest Consumer on the Internet." My new motto is, "I didn't know it existed, but now I can't live without it." Of course, it isn't all fun and games here at ——— College (note: I would have put the name

of my college in, but the Dean of Resident Life made a very convincing argument for me not to: "If you say one bad thing about this campus we'll sue your butt for slander"). There is a presence here, a presence so powerful and evil that it makes the bravest of us blanch with fear. A presence so terrible that nightmares like the Reverend Fallwell or the Bogyman are afraid of it. The presence: of the local squirrel population.

Make no mistake; the squirrels here are demons from some fiery pit. They are twice the size of any known normal squirrel, and they fear nothing. Their paws are monstrous claws of powerful proportion, and their twitching tail makes them look like rattlers about to strike. It's easy to identify them, not only because of their habit of mysteriously shadowing you from overhead, but also because of their entire coat of fur is tinged yellow.

I once saw a yellow squirrel chasing a normal gray squirrel across campus. It is worth noting that said gray squirrel, or any other type of squirrel for that matter, has never been seen even close to this college again. I don't know what the evil yellow squirrels are planning, but they are definitely working toward some nefarious goal. They're evil leader is a giant squirrel, even by their standards. He is so big that he could eat the Taco Bell dog in a single gulp. And he only has one eye, the other being white and blind. He

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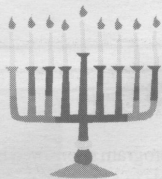
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Mattathias, from The First Book of the Maccabees

What did Mattathias mean, "We will not listen to the message of the king?" Here's a look at Jewish history the way Sparks would like to see it.

"Howdy. You've reached the Maccabees. We can't come to the phone right now, (we're busy leading a rebellion) but if you'll leave your name, number and a brief message after the shofar blast, we'll get back to you as soon as possible.

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WRONG NUMBER

What if you had answered Antiochus' phone call? Here are Sparks' Top 10 Responses to Antiochus the Telemarketing King!

10. Can you call back? We're right in the middle of frying some **latkes!**
9. Nude wrestling? No thanks, we're **WWF** fans...long live The Rock!
8. Do you have a **Web site**? We do all our shopping online.
7. You've reached us at a bad time; we're **busy** cleaning the Temple.
6. I can't talk now, I'm the only person who **knows** all the verses to **Maoz Tsur**.
5. Pagan religion? No thanks, I finally learned my **Haftarah**.
4. **DUH!** Greek culture...is that some sort of yogurt.
3. I can't hear you; I've got a dreidel stuck in my ear.
2. I can't hear you; I've got **Chanukah** candle wax in my ear.
1. We can't afford your offer; we've spent all our money on Chanukah presents.

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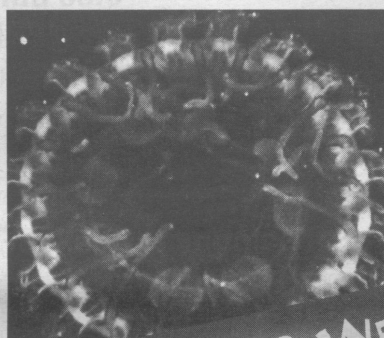


What lives under the sea and carries 64 people?
An octopus.

Who was the first underwater spy?
James Bond

What happened when the blow-worm got trampled on?
He was *de-lighted*

How does an octopus go into battle?
Fully armed.



How would you celebrate Chanukah if you lived 3,000 feet below the surface of the ocean? Lighting candles



Like the Maccabees of old, Ryan Green — a Jewish high school student at Harrison Central High School in southern Mississippi — stood up for his religious rights...and won!

Here's the story:

Last May, Ryan (15 years old) went to school wearing a **Star of David** pin that he received from his grandmother as a gift. But school officials told him he couldn't wear it because it was a gang symbol. Apparently some symbols used by violent gangs have six pointed stars. You can imagine Ryan's reaction! He and his parents **appealed** to the School Board saying that the Star of David was a religious symbol and that the Bill of Rights guaranteed him the right of **religious expression**. Their arguments were ignored...but not for long. One week later, the School Board members reversed their decision. They said that the right to religious **freedom** was even more important than the safety issues that were involved in Ryan's case. Ryan's dad said, "As a father to a son this is the **best principle** I could teach him: Stand up for your rights."

STAR POWER

would definitely be out of the question so you would have to **improvise**. Lucky for you, the Creator has already provided the solution. On the first night, you'd have to swim around until you found the mind-boggling deep-sea **sychedmedusa** (see photo, upper left). The second night might bring a new challenge, but when you see the otherworldly **Pteropod** (see photo, right), you'll forget about those **skinny little candles** that

everyone on the surface is using! On the third night of an underwater Chanukah, you'll have to swallow hard and catch the yukky **krill** (see photo, bottom). There are enough of these tiny organisms (called **bioluminescents**) living in the eternal darkness of the deep

to make everyone's **menorah** glow.

Each of them has an enzyme in their bodies that gives off a heatless light when it combines with oxygen. **SWEET!** Sparks! hopes you have a **de-LIGHTFUL** Chanukah. On dry ground, that is!

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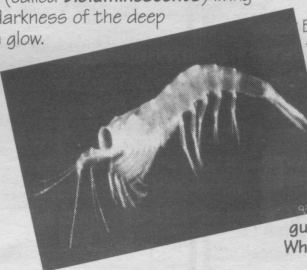


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DID YOU KNOW THAT

Here's the 411 on Chanukah lights in the ocean-deep!

The **lamp-eye fish** has millions of luminescent bacteria on its eyes that make it glow in the dark! And you thought pink eye was bad!

Bioluminescence is the only **source of light** in the largest fraction of the habitable volume of the earth, the deep ocean.

On land, bioluminescence is most commonly seen as **glowing fungus** on wood, or in the few families of luminous insects like the firefly.

Many luminous organisms have **pigmented guts** so their last meal doesn't glow in the dark. What would latkes look like?

Check out <http://lifesci.ucsb.edu/~biolum/> to see other great photos of these amazin' creatures.

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is most assuredly spearheading their dark scheme, whatever it may be. Perhaps they are planning on seizing power from the humans and plotting the rise of a dictatorial squirrel regime. Either way, they are up to something, and even now I can hear the mysterious pitter-patter of little feet on my roof, signaling that they know I have the goods on them.

But enough about the squirrels. What I am really here to talk about is my retiring. Ah yes! I know that as you people read these words, you will cast back your heads and cry your frustration at the heavens. Have you found me only to lose me once again? But fear not, because...actually, no, do fear. Fear a lot.

Seriously though, I am just too burdened from this massive course load to continue writing so much. Perhaps, just perhaps, though, I may be back for a guest column or two.

I feel it is justified that I make my announcement now, as we stand at the doorstep of a new millennium (although you eggheads out there know that the real millennium doesn't begin until 2001). The year 2000 is a time of choice, a pivotal moment when we ask ourselves big, important questions, such as: Will this new year signal the golden era for humanity, or the death of civilization at the hands of Y2K? (Which, I hear, is actually a plot by the demon squirrels, but I digress.)

There is no way of knowing such answers until we cross the threshold, a threshold which I would speak of in greater detail, but I have run out of inspirational-sounding platitudes. Basically though, it's going to be the New Year of new years. And so, in the spirit of endings and new beginnings, I am ending my column in this paper. If any of you out there can see how this is a new beginning, then you are more than qualified to take up my work (hint hint).

Fare thee well good readers. May the wind be at your backs, the earth firm beneath your feet, and may your political party have the majority ranking in Congress (and may the giant squirrels be far, far away from you). *

HADASSAH NEWS

by Elise Mandel

Check It Out Program is coming to Lexington. This is a program sponsored by Hadassah to teach self breast examination to 11th & 12th grade girls in 5 area public high schools. Breast cancer survivors, medical people in the community or anyone interested in this worthwhile project, contact Nancy Menard at 606-269-8447. Help Hadassah launch this new program scheduled to premiere in the schools February 2000.

**Hadassah Meeting
Tuesday, January 11
6:30 pm at
Temple Adath Israel
124 N. Ashland Ave.**

Topic: "Hadassah in the Bluegrass"

Come hear about the many projects Hadassah is connected with in this area: the new "Check It Out" program, the Doll Project, the Hospital Library Project, the Associates' Toiletry Collection. "Find a Home in Hadassah" - find out about neat opportunities and interesting women.

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Miller First Jewish Kentuckian Elected To Statewide Office

FRANKFORT, Ky.—Jonathan Miller was elected Nov. 2 to serve as Kentucky's State Treasurer, becoming the first Jewish Kentuckian to hold statewide elected office.

Miller, a native and current resident of Lexington, was unopposed in the fall general election after winning a contested Democratic primary in May.

Miller, 32, is a fifth generation Lexingtonian. His family has deep roots in the city's Jewish community and civic life. Among other areas of involvement, Miller's family helped establish Temple Adath Israel in the late 19th century. They have been active in the Temple ever since.

Miller was Bar Mitzvahed at Ohavay Zion Synagogue and was active in the Temple Adath Israel youth group. Like his father, Robert, Jonathan Miller served as National President of the North American Federation of Temple Youth.

Currently, Miller is serving as a member of the National Young Leadership Cabinet of the United Jewish Communities. He is a board member of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation and also is active in the young leadership division of the organization. Miller also teaches religious school at Temple Adath Israel.

Miller and his wife, Lisa, have two children, Emily, 5, and Abigail, 3. *

Announcing the 5th Annual CKJF Winter Party Saturday evening, December 25th

Bella Notte Restaurant, 3715 Nicholasville Road

**We'll begin with a Havdalah service at 6:30
Buffet dinner to start at 7:00**

Dinner will consist of salad, several choices of pasta, that great Bella Notte bread, and spumoni for dessert. There will be cheese pizzas for the kids. The restaurant is providing several buffet stations, so there should not be a problem with lines.

Of course, we've not forgotten the kids—magic act, crafts projects, and favors await them along with their pizza.

The cost is \$15 for adults, \$6 for kids from 6 to 10 and no charge for children 5 and under. This price includes tax and gratuities, coffee, tea and soft drinks; there will be a cash bar if you desire any alcoholic beverages.

As in the past, we are supporting God's Pantry and you are asked to bring two non-perishable food items for each person in your party. If you forget the food, you will be asked for a donation.

Reservations, checks included, should be sent to the CKJF using the reservation form below. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis; reply soon to hold your place!

Everyone who purchases a ticket for this dinner will be eligible to win one of the two drawings. We're giving away:

- Four tickets and a parking pass for the January 9th Thoroughblades hockey game, courtesy of the Fayette Mall Merchants Association
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Questions? Call the CKJF at 268-0672.

There will be no solicitation of any kind during this evening.

This event is sponsored by the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation—everyone is welcome!

We're coming! We're coming! Here's money, send tickets!

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Statuesque Rome!



Horseback riding on the Mediterranean



The Roman Coliseum

Going Home

by Ana Szekely

went home this summer. No, not to my home here in Lexington, and not even to my summer cottage in New York. I went home; my home, my family's home, the whole Jewish communities home; our home—Israel.

I felt I knew exactly how Israel would look, having seen it in photographs, movies, and books. Of course, when I got there after a four day boat ride from Rome, it looked as I thought it would. But looking at pictures is not the same as breathing in the air of Jerusalem, or snorkeling in the Sea of Eilat, kayaking in the Jordan river or rappelling on Mt. Carmel. You cannot even imagine the feeling of floating in the Dead Sea or kissing the Kotel. These will be the feelings that I will remember the most.

I spent my first week in Rome, and needless to say, I was very surprised. Yes—Rome was filthy and had absolutely no Kosher food, but standing in the Coliseum, sitting on ancient ruins and standing in the gorgeous Jewish quarter made up the difference. I think that every member of our group (ID-6) was comforted by the wonderful shade of ancient olive trees and air conditioned churches.

At the end of our quick four day adventure, we drove to Naples where we boarded the S.S. Dmitry Shostakovich, ironically the same ship that my second cousin did the advertising for over forty-five years ago when he was still in the Soviet Union. No, it was not a cruise—but was the original Exodus? Living in tight quarters with five hundred wild teenagers for four days and three nights was one experience I will never forget. On the boat, we were busy with guest speakers from the original Exodus, art, Israeli dancing, music, Hebrew lessons, and many other peulot (group activities). We had many celebrations including a peaceful Shabbat and an exciting Havdalah. On Sunday, we could see Israel three hours away from land. It looked golden; our eyes burned from staring so long and with such intensity. The hesitant Jews who I had spoken to about G-d's presence in JFK airport were now secure and felt "in touch" with their new surroundings and their new home. When we arrived in the Haifa port, there were Israeli scouts dancing and singing in honor of our arrival. It was an amazing experience. My life was complete; I had never felt closer to G-d.

Our first week in Israel was packed. We hiked to the top of Mt. Scopus, explored ancient caves, toured The Tower of David Museum, went to King David's tomb, prayed at the Western Wall and shopped on Ben Yehuda Street. We also visited the place where Yitzhak Rabin was assassinated. We went on an archeological dig, ate falafel to our hearts delight, saw the

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On the boat

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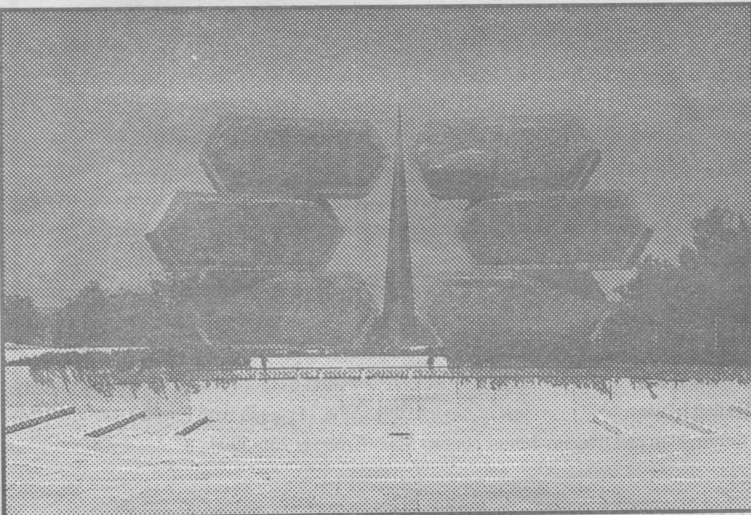
Chagal windows, hiked up four more mountains including Eingedi, floated in the Dead Sea, learned how to sleep standing up, mourned at Mt. Hertzl, and danced the night away on a disco cruise.

The next few weeks were also unbelievable. I went rappelling twice, shopped in the Druize village, went on a ma'apilim (illegal immigrants) simulation, met my cousins in Netanya, and spent the weekend with host families. I also went horseback riding on the Mediterranean, saw a "rainbow" cave, went on two water hikes, relaxed in the hot springs of Hamat Gader, cried at Y'ad Vashem, and looked at the Knesset. I also went to the top of Mt. Meron, donkey riding, kayaking, toured Zafed, snorkeled at the oceanarium in Eilat, visited Kibbutzim, and went on a night hike. We slept in Bedouin tents, spent a weekend camping out in the Kineret and hiked Massada just in time to watch the sunrise.

I cannot explain Israel to you by just saying that it was "amazing," but I can say that it was life changing. To think that Moses might have been standing at the same place where I stood, or Cain and Abel hiking up the same mountain where I was "dying" because of the intense desert heat, was exciting. It is amazing to me how one small strip of land can have such a powerful effect on a human being, but now I know that it is possible. *

Are You Ready for a Summer Experience

Jewish Family Services would like to remind you that now is the time to start thinking about Jewish Summer experiences. Jewish Family Services has the 2000 camp brochures for some of the residential Jewish camps in the area. If you are interested in one we do not have information on, we will be happy to assist you in finding out more about the camp you have selected. A Jewish summer camp experience is one that will stay with a child for a life time. Jewish Family Services encourages and supports the chance for a child to have a summer experience that will be rich in experience and spirituality through Jewish summer camps or through Israeli Studies Programs. CKJF, through Jewish Family Services, offers scholarships to assist you in giving your child a Jewish summer experience. Last year we awarded nearly \$10,000 in scholarship money to children seeking the opportunity to have a Jewish experience last summer. Scholarships will be available to both residential camps, Camp Shalom Day Camp and Israeli Studies Programs. Applications for scholarships will be available January 2, 2000, but start thinking about camp now because camp openings at residential camps fill quickly. Jewish Family Services will assist you with the application process. *



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Diversity Films

Lexington, KY—Diversity Films has planned a series of films to be shown in the Central Library Theater for community viewing and discussion. Films will be chosen to reflect the diversity of cultures and experiences of people who now make Central Kentucky their home. The growing diversity of our community often presents challenges as we work to communicate across differences and to come together as neighbors to pursue common goals. Viewing films together and sharing our reflections on the relevance and significance of the issues these films raise is one way of learning about each other and celebrating our diversity.

"No other media can match the power of film to bring immediacy to issues of diversity," said Mary Crone, a member of the organizing committee. "We believe that the films we have chosen will stimulate conversations that will deepen connections among the various communities within the Lexington area."

The Lexington Public Library is co-sponsoring these films as part of their community outreach program. A few of the films chosen have been shown locally but most have had only limited release in this area. A reception and discussions will be held following each film in meeting room A on the lower level of the Library. All films will be free and open to the public. Free parking is available in the lot behind the Library. The Humanitarian Center for Culture and Diversity is also a sponsor of this series.

We will start at 1:30 with *Europa, Europa*, directed by Agnieszka Holland (1991), which tells the true story of Solomon Perel, a German-Jewish teenager who survived World War II by concealing his identity and using to his advantage the oddest twists of fate. On the eve of his Bar Mitzvah, Solly's sister is killed by Nazis and his family escapes from German to Poland. Solly becomes separated from his family and begins his solitary odyssey, escaping from a Polish Ghetto, living in a Communist orphanage, "adopted" by a division of German soldiers, and even becoming a student in an elite school for Hitler's Youth. Agnieszka Holland's skill as a film maker is demonstrated in her ability to combine realistic drama and ironic humor as she tells this story of survival. (German and Russian with English subtitles)

At 3:30 we will show *Visas and Virtue* (1997), directed by Chris Tashman and produced by Chris Donahue. This lesser known film won the 1997 Academy Award for Live Action Short Film and is a favorite of those who have seen it. *Visas and Virtue* explores the moral and professional dilemma of Japanese Consul General Chiune Sugihara who was ordered by his government not to issue transit visas to Lithuanian Jews who were hoping to escape persecution. With the help of his wife, Sugihara decided to disobey his orders and worked steadily for three weeks to issue 1,600 visas which ultimately saved between 2,000 and 6,000 lives. At the end of August 1940, the Russians closed the Japanese consulate in Lithuania. Sugihara continued to sign visas even handing them out his train window as it pulled out of the station. Sugihara's work was not recognized until Johoshua Nishri, an Israeli diplomat, tracked him down to thank him for saving his life. In 1984, Sugihara was recognized as "Righteous among Nations" by the Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Martyrs' and Heroes' Remembrance Authority. This excellent film paying tribute to a courageous man has won numerous film and humanitarian awards. These films will be followed by a reception and discussion in Conference Room A on the lower level of the library.

Diversity Films will continue its series on January 9th with *Guantanamo*, a Cuban film that traces the journey of a hearse containing the body of a famous diva across the countryside of Cuba. Gina, the diva's niece and a professor blacklisted for political nonconformity, and her husband, Adolfo, travel with the hearse towards Havana. Adolfo uses this opportunity to implant a hearse relay system that only a bureaucrat could love. A humorous movie that relates the bureaucratic obstacles of transporting a body to the deeper problems facing contemporary Cuba. Directed by Tomas Gutierrez Alea (his final film) and Juan Carlos Tabio and starring Mirtha Ibarra, Jorge Perugoria, Carlos Cruz, and Conchita Brando. This is a fluid and engaging film that is also a bold overview of modern day Cuba. (Spanish with English subtitles) For more information on Diversity Films, contact Mary Crone at 266-5904. *

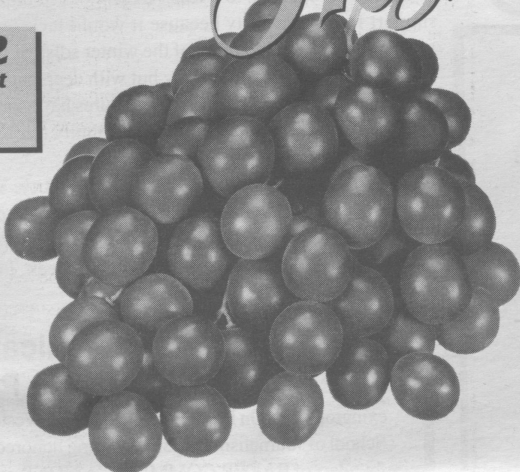
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On December 2, 1884, the Spinoza Society purchased from the Lexington Cemetery Company an entire section for the perpetual and exclusive use of the Jewish community, according to a short history of the society written by Moses Kaufman, in 1887.

The area purchased by the Spinoza Society was Section E-1, and it sufficed for more than ninety years. In 1977, nearby Section E-2 was secured by the society.

If you would like to know more about space in the Spinoza Society's Section E-2, or other information about The Lexington Cemetery, please give us a call or visit.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Speak Out! Let us know how you feel. Send your Letters to the Editor to: Carrie McDonald, Shalom/CKJF, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, KY 40502 or e-mail your letter to: bocephus@lex.infi.net

Re: a party on the night of December 24th.... to have or not to have?

This is in response to a letter in Shalom in the last edition, that voted against CKJF support for such a party because it would lack Jewish merit.

Christmas is a celebration of the winter solstice. It is a holiday that preceded Christianity and was adopted by Christianity but with deep pagan roots. It is a festival of lights and of food and of community. Nearly all cultures have some kind of winter solstice feast—by whatever name—to help ease the community through the darkest and coldest days of the year.

So don't think of it as an un-Christmas party. Think of it as a winter solstice celebration, a recognition that the days are getting longer again and spring is around the corner. Or think of it as an un-Florida party, something for those left behind when everyone else seems to have gone to Florida for winter break. I recommend we have the party again. It's fun.

Baker Communications named 1999 Kentucky Advertising Practitioners of the Year

Lexington, KY—On Friday, October 22, the Western Kentucky University (W.K.U.) School of Journalism and Broadcasting honored Tom and Cindy Baker, owners and co-founders of BAKER COMMUNICATIONS, with the 1999 Kentucky Advertising Practitioners of the year award at its fourth annual awards dinner. The dinner is held each year to recognize leaders in the business fields of advertising, public relations, print, visual, and broadcast journalism. The advertising practitioners of the year award is designed to acknowledge leaders in the industry who have significantly contributed to education, served as role models for Kentucky's students, and are involved in issues concerning the advertising industry in the State of Kentucky.

"One of the criteria for this award has always been strong involvement in education and leadership in the advertising industry," said Caroline Stringer, coordinator of the W.K.U. advertising program. "This year the faculty was so pleased to find a husband-wife team that so well exemplified the criteria for this award."

Looking back on nearly a quarter of a century of success, the team is modest when asked to reflect on their thoughts about winning the award.

"We've both been dedicated to the advertising and marketing communications industry from the start of our careers," Tom said. "Cindy used her artistic experience to establish her credentials, then to benefit our agency. I have contributed entrepreneurial instincts, research, strategic planning, and knowledge gained from creating and producing all types of commercial communications. Combining our skills and techniques with those of our staff members allowed us to build a successful business."

Since opening the doors to BAKER COMMUNICATIONS, the small local agency that Tom and Cindy Baker first envisioned has grown to a full-service marketing communications firm serving local and regional clients. The agency is located in a suite of offices at 128 East Reynolds Road, and works with a variety of clients, including those in the banking, equine, healthcare, shopping mall, manufacturing, funeral, and cemetery industries.

After their marriage in 1972, Tom Baker worked first as the retail advertising manager, then as the general advertising manager for the Lexington Herald-Leader, while Cindy was pioneering the first commercial art studio in Lexington: Art Department, Inc. From the beginning of their relationship, they planned to first open a commercial art studio, then an advertising agency. Their combined talents seemed like a perfect match: Tom could take the sales, management, and creative skills he had acquired in newspaper advertising, combine them with the artistic talents of his wife, and add in several advertising educated team members to form an agency of professionals.

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WE WIN SOME.

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"We had a plan to establish our agency," they said. "But, at the time we had only very limited resources and experience. Like so many other entrepreneurs, we had to work our way up with dedication to this business seven days a week."

Being one of the modern pioneers in Lexington's advertising agency business, the couple wanted to involve themselves in all aspects of the industry, listening and gaining experience from other professionals around the nation.

"When we started our careers in Lexington, very few advertising agencies existed and only a few freelance fashion artists worked here, primarily for local department stores," Tom said. "As I traveled for the newspaper to Louisville, Cincinnati, Chicago, New York, and Atlanta, I solicited full-service advertising and public relations agencies. Learning what they did and how they did it, we decided that businesses and organizations in central and eastern Kentucky should have easier access to professional advertising services."

Because the growth of BAKER COMMUNICATIONS and the entire advertising industry in Lexington depended on the development and involvement of professionals in all areas of the business, Tom and Cindy Baker spread themselves actively in advertising organizations locally, regionally, and nationally. Becoming a member of the Lexington Advertising Club in Lexington in 1973, Cindy was first elected to the board of directors the following year. Believing in the strength of networking offered by Ad Club contacts, she set a high goal for new memberships during her term as second vice-president in 1977-78. The year began with 65 renewing Ad Club members, and concluded with over 120. For this accomplishment, Cindy, on behalf of the Ad Club, was honored with a first place AAF National Club Achievement Award at the annual national conference in San Francisco, California.

Tom joined the American Advertising Federation (AAF) in 1974, was elected to the board of directors in 1975, then president in 1977-78. He was elected governor of the Fifth District AAF in 1982, AAF Central Region Chairman in 1992 and served two terms as director of the National AAF Board of Directors. Since then, the couple has remained active in the AAF, serving on national committees and judging creative ADDY Awards shows across the country.

"I have worked with Tom and Cindy for many years," said Wally Snyder, national AAF president. "Their creativity and real determination to get the job done while giving back to the community has carried them all the way through their careers."

In 1982, Tom worked alongside AAF members in Ohio to successfully defeat an administration pro-

posal for a sales tax on business services, including advertising and public relations. He continued to take a stand against taxation on business services in Kentucky in 1983, Florida in 1987, and again in Kentucky in 1990 as AAF State Legislative Chairman, leading the advertising industry in its efforts to defeat a proposed tax on advertising.

"I have stood against proposed taxes on the advertising business because I believe the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution protects the freedom of speech, both for individuals and legal commerce," Tom said. "We must forever deny governmental attempts to encroach upon our basic freedoms that have made our country the envy of the rest of the world. The tools of marketing communications, such as advertising and public relations, are the engines that drive commerce in our emerging worldwide economy. We don't need any government taxation to put the brakes on growth and prosperity that result from innovations in legitimate commercial communications."

In addition to their efforts to negate legislative taxation initiatives, Tom and Cindy Baker are the pied pipers for advertising education in Kentucky. In 1978, Tom persuaded the Lexington Ad Club Board of Directors to establish the LexAd Education Fund, to which future club administrations would add funds. Since 1979, the LexAd Education Fund principal has grown to an amount of \$26,000. Money has been granted to AAF chapters, professors, and students at the University of Kentucky (U.K.), Eastern Kentucky University (E.K.U.), Murray State University (M.S.U.), and Western Kentucky University (W.K.U.). Beginning in 1979, Cindy co-chaired three 5th District AAF National Student Competitions, encouraging college students to participate and gain experience with advertising concepts and contacts they could use to begin their careers. Working together, they helped set the standard for longevity and growth of the Lexington Ad Club, and chartered AAF organizations in educational institutions at U.K., E.K.U., M.S.U., and W.K.U.

"First and foremost, we wanted to help build an advertising industry in Kentucky that would employ people to work in this state who were educated in our universities. So, we had to be involved with educational institutions in Kentucky and surrounding states," they said. "We wanted to know what people were being taught about advertising, and to have an opportunity to help the students enrich their education through involvement in internships, Ad Club, and career days. Over time, we hoped students would get a better perspective of the industry and be able to begin their careers in advertising better prepared than ever before."

In service to the community, Tom and Cindy

Baker have contributed the services of BAKER COMMUNICATIONS to community and civic organizations such as The Living Arts and Science Center, Boy Scouts of America, The Lexington Ballet, Lexington Rotary Club, Better Business Bureau, Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky, and the United Way.

When asked how they feel about being named 1999 Kentucky Advertising Practitioners of the Year, Cindy replied "surprised."

"We are not only surprised, but very appreciative of this recognition," Tom added. "We believe that it is a reflection on not only us, but the very talented people who have worked with us over the years and our clients who have enabled us to do outstanding work on their behalf, including the enhancement of the advertising industry in Kentucky." *

ISRAEL SNIPPETS

- Israel will witness an explosion of Internet start-ups over the next 12 months, according to Michele Fitzpatrick, vice president of Oracle Europe, Middle East and Africa, THE JERUSALEM POST reported. Fitzpatrick announced this projection at a conference in Israel.
- The Ministry of Communications will soon publish a series of international tenders for private investors to operate new infrastructure for broadband communications and wireless data transmission, according to Ministry Director-General Danny Rosen, HA'ARETZ reported. A separate tender will be issued for each of the four bands the ministry wants to establish, with the total investment estimated at \$4 billion.

FEATURE

NEWS ANALYSIS

Disturbing images of Jew vs. Jew emerge from eviction on West Bank

by Mitchell Danow

NEW YORK, Nov. 10 (JTA)—Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak has won what was his first open confrontation with Jewish settlers since taking office.

But, eager to protect the strong governing coalition he has formed, he is hardly looking forward to any repetition of what occurred Wednesday.

In a scene reminiscent of the settler demonstrations that took place in 1995, when then-Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was withdrawing from portions of the West Bank under the terms of the Interim Agreement signed that year, some 300 settlers were forcibly removed Wednesday by Israeli troops from an illegal hilltop outpost.

There had originally been only four families at Havat Maon, or Maon Farm, but the numbers grew in recent weeks as settlers arrived at the barren hilltop and prepared for a confrontation with the troops.

Their numbers were nowhere as strong as the thousands who turned out in 1995 to block roads across Israel, but just the same, the images of the Maon standoff may create sympathy for their cause—sympathy that may translate into wider demonstrations as Barak attempts to advance the Oslo peace process with the Palestinian Authority.

Just hours after the standoff, Barak secured his Cabinet's approval of the next step in that process when his ministers, by a vote of 17-1, gave the go-ahead to an Israeli withdrawal from another 5 percent of the West Bank.

Wednesday's standoff provided its share of disturbing images: settlers clinging to rooftops before being taken away; the cries of "Shame," "Arafat Is Proud of You," and "Refuse Orders" directed at the troops; eggs and paint being thrown at the approximately 1,000 security forces; a settler removing a Torah scroll from a makeshift wooden synagogue under a police escort.

Hours later, during the Cabinet meeting, Barak applauded the restraint shown by the troops, who he said combined "sense and determination in order to impose the government's will on its citizens."

"What happened at the Maon Farm is a difficult test of democracy and a red light on the road to anarchy," he added.

But if he felt any sense of triumph, there were warnings that further confrontations were still to come.

"If this is the kind of struggle that is put up over an outpost, imagine what it will be like over a settlement," said settler Benny Katzover.

The incident at Maon also drew condemnation

from others.

"This is ethnic cleansing of Jews by Jews and we are ashamed of our government," said Nadia Matar of the Women in Green movement, which opposes any Israeli handover of the West Bank to the Palestinians.

And another handover is exactly what is planned as a result of Wednesday's Cabinet vote.

Under the terms of the land-for-security accord signed September in Egypt, Israel agreed to withdraw from an additional 18.1 percent of West Bank lands in three stages.

In September, Israel transferred 7 percent of the West Bank to joint Israeli-Palestinian control. In the second stage, to be carried out Monday, Israel will transfer 2 percent of the land to sole Palestinian control and an additional 3 percent to joint control.

On Jan. 20, Israel will hand over an additional 6.1 percent of the region.

At that time, Israel will have completed the second phase of its West Bank withdrawals.

A third phase, called for under the Oslo accords, still has to be negotiated as part of the final-status negotiations. Its extent will determine both the size and borders of the Palestinian entity that emerges from those talks.

But if settler demonstrations gather momentum in the coming weeks, the pro-settler National Religious Party could wind up bolting the coalition.

Barak—who currently has the support of 73 of the Knesset's 120 members and wants to keep his coalition intact through the final-status talks—can ill afford any defections as he attempts to work out a final peace agreement with the Palestinian Author-

ity.

In an effort to create facts on the ground in advance of the final-status talks, settlers created 42 outposts on barren hills across the West Bank during the past year.

The government of former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu tacitly—and in the case of some ministers explicitly—encouraged the actions.

But under an agreement with Barak last month, settler leaders agreed to leave 12 of those sites voluntarily in exchange for government approval of the remaining 30 outposts.

The settler leadership persuaded the residents of 11 outposts to leave, but Maon became a magnet for younger settlers who defied the leaders.

While most of them used passive resistance, dozens of them were arrested Wednesday for threatening or hindering the security forces.

The confrontation took its toll on the Israeli security forces who carried out the predawn evacuation.

According to Maj. Gen. Moshe Ya'alon, chief of the Israel Defense Force command in charge of the West Bank, soldiers had received psychological counseling before launching Wednesday's operation.


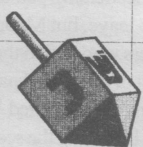

"We are trained to fight in battle against enemies, not against Jews—either settlers or other Jews," he was quoted as saying.

Emotions swelled among all the participants Wednesday. When the evaluation ended, an Israeli policewoman was seen hugging a colleague and breaking into tears.

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12 Hadassah Hanukkah Party Place TBA	13	14 JFS Advisory Mtg 6:30 PM - CKJF	15	16 Hadassah Women's Discussion Group	17	18 Havurah Meeting 10:00 AM Lex. Theological Sem.
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

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COMMUNITY



Worship Service Schedules



The following is a schedule of the December and January worship opportunities for the Central Kentucky Jewish Community.

HAV = Havurah (Services held at the Lexington Theological Seminary Fellowship Hall, 631 S. Limestone, Jeremy Popkin, President, 271-3187)

OZS = Ohavay Zion Synagogue (2048 Edgewater Court, Bennett Bayer, President, 266-8050)

TAI = Temple Adath Israel (124 N. Ashland Ave., Marilyn Lieber, President, 269-2979)

Friday, December 3, 1999

7:30 p.m. **TAI** - Shabbat Hanukkah Service
8:00 p.m. **OZS** - Evening Service



Saturday, December 4, 1999

9:30 a.m. **OZS** - Preliminary Service
9:30 a.m. **TAI** - Torah Study
10:00 a.m. **OZS** - Shacharit
10:30 a.m. **TAI** - Worship

Friday, December 10, 1999

6:00 p.m. **TAI** - Hanukkah Pot Luck
7:30 p.m. **TAI** - Shabbat Family Service
8:00 p.m. **OZS** - Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, December 11, 1999

9:30 a.m. **OZS** - Preliminary Service
9:30 a.m. **TAI** - Torah Study
10:00 a.m. **OZS** - Shacharit
10:30 a.m. **TAI** - Worship



Friday, December 17, 1999

7:30 p.m. **TAI** - Shabbat Service
7:30 p.m. **TAI** - Jr. Congregation Shabbat Youth Lounge
8:00 p.m. **OZS** - Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, December 18, 1999

9:00 a.m. **TAI** - Kollel Study Group
9:30 a.m. **OZS** - Preliminary Service
10:00 a.m. **OZS** - Shacharit
10:30 a.m. **TAI** - Worship

Friday, December 24, 1999

6:00 p.m. **TAI** - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
8:00 p.m. **OZS** - Shabbat Evening Service



Friday, December 31, 1999

6:00 p.m. **TAI** - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
8:00 p.m. **OZS** - Shabbat Evening Service



Friday, January 7, 2000

6:00 p.m. **TAI** - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
8:00 p.m. **OZS** - Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, January 8, 2000

9:30 a.m. **OZS** - Preliminary Service
9:30 a.m. **TAI** - Torah Study
10:00 a.m. **OZS** - Shacharit
10:30 a.m. **TAI** - Worship



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Friday, January 14, 2000

6:00 p.m. **TAI** - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
8:00 p.m. **OZS** - Evening Service

Saturday, January 15, 2000

9:00 a.m. **TAI** - Kollel Study Group
9:30 a.m. **OZS** - Preliminary Service
10:00 a.m. **OZS** - Shacharit
10:30 a.m. **TAI** - Worship

Friday, January 21, 2000

6:00 p.m. **TAI** - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
7:00 p.m. **TAI** - Tu B'Shevat Seder & Pot Luck
7:30 p.m. **HAV** - Kabbalat Shabbat and Tu B'Shevat Seder
8:00 p.m. **OZS** - Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, January 22, 2000

9:30 a.m. **OZS** - Preliminary Service
9:30 a.m. **TAI** - Torah Study
10:00 a.m. **OZS** - Shacharit
10:30 a.m. **TAI** - Worship

Friday, January 28, 2000

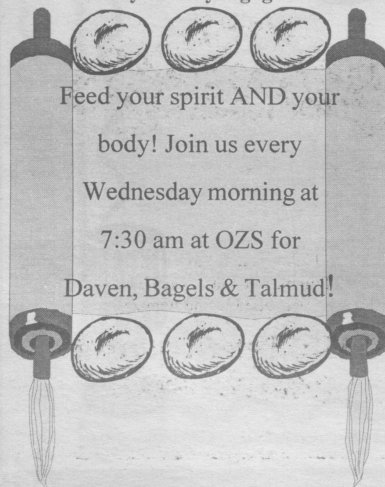
6:00 p.m. **TAI** - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
8:00 p.m. **OZS** - Evening Service

Saturday, January 29, 2000

9:00 a.m. **TAI** - Kollel Study Group
9:30 a.m. **OZS** - Preliminary Service
10:00 a.m. **OZS** - Shacharit
10:30 a.m. **TAI** - Worship

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Activities and Events

Saturday, January 29—The Lexington Havurah to attend a Theater Party for Actors Guild of Lexington's production of Last Night at Ballyhoo. Please call Actors' Theatre directly at 233-0663 to make reservations, and let Jeremy Popkin know that you are coming. They are holding a block of tickets for The Lexington Havurah at discounted rates.

Ohavay Zion Synagogue is having a hot dog lunch on January 23 at noon. The money goes to support the Mitzvah Project to buy a heifer for an impoverished community. It is done through Heifer International. The class has named the heifer they hope to purchase "Schmuley." Please come and support their efforts.

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for more information
273-6774



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Activities and Events

Activities offered at Temple Adath Israel

Youth Groups

TRYB

On November 5 TRYB conducted Friday evening Shabbat services. Each participant composed and read their comments about the concept of false deities. Their reflections included thoughts about worshipping athletes and entertainment figures and the role that God's commandments should have in our lives.

On November 14, TRYB went to the MAD POTTER for a creative adventure in ceramics! A WINTER SKI TRIP is being planned so let us know if you are interested in coming along.

TRYB will be selling Passover candy as a fundraising event. Last year's funds were used to subsidize the rafting and rappelling trip. Make your Passover a little sweeter by purchasing some of these delicious chocolates.

MSTYG

MSTYG will be having a Hanukah Party on Saturday, December 4 from 7-11 PM. There will be Latkes, Menorahs, Music and a Movie. RSVP to Peggy Leep at 272-9607.

The MSTYG planning committee has come up with some great programs for the second half of the year. The tentative schedule includes:

February 13 - Ice Skating

March 10 - Camp MSTYG - a special overnight lock-in at the Temple

May 21 - Louisville trip - Lunch at Bucca de Beppe and an IMAX movie at the Science Museum.

Watch for updated information in the Bulletin to sign up for these fabulous programs.

FAFTY

Upcoming program:

December 12 - Bowling at Southland, Pizza at Temple at noon, leave for bowling alley 12:30 PM.

Scouts

Pack #613 is off and running! Cub Scouts have been meeting and working on the Achievements on the Bobcat Trail. Seven of the eight requirements have been met so far. A Bobcat Award ceremony is being planned.

The next program will focus on Family Heritage. For more information, call or e-mail Toni Reiss (TAltoni@aol.com or 269-2979) or Alan Bernard at (Rajbernard@aol.com).

Adult Programming

Women's Spiritual Retreat

Plans are in the works for a special event for the women of Temple Adath Israel. The peaceful, rural setting of the Cliffview Center will provide the support and space for an experience of spiritual and personal growth. If you would like to join in the planning of this event, please call Toni at the Temple office (269-2979).

Ballroom Dancing Classes

Wednesday evenings January 5, 12, 26, February 2, 9, Final class Saturday Feb. 12 (we'll go for dinner after class) Class will meet 7-8:30 PM. \$80 per couple for all six weeks.

As you requested, a six-week session of weekly dance classes will be held at TAI to teach foxtrot, waltz and swing. If you like the idea of being able to "Jump, Jive and Wail" or to dance a little "Witchcraft" with some "Fascination," then this is the class for you.

Note: We will not have class on Jan. 19 to avoid conflict with the UK basketball game.

Register with the Temple office by December 22.

Charity of the Month

The Social Action Committee is beginning a new program called "Charity of the Month." Every month a worthy cause will receive \$54 from our Tzedakah fund. Also, TAI members are encouraged to give either to each month's charity directly or to the Tzedakah fund to help keep the program going.

The December recipient is Movable Feast, which prepares and delivers hot, freshly cooked meals 365 days a year to people living with AIDS or HIV-related illnesses and disabilities. Clients also receive bags of groceries twice a week that provide one-third of their nutritional needs. Movable Feast also needs volunteers to help prepare and deliver the meals and to help with data entry and office support, especially during holidays and summers when there are fewer student volunteers in town. After brief training, volunteers sign up to help whenever they are available. If you are interested in volunteering call (606) 252-2867. To contribute, send a check to:

Movable Feast of Lexington
PO Box 367

Lexington, KY 40588-0367

Movable Feast can also be reached by fax number 231-7899 or e-mail at FeastLex@aol.com.

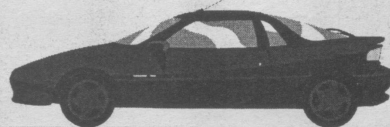
The January recipient will be WinterCare. This is a program designed to help low income Kentuckians pay their heating bills. WinterCare was started by Kentucky Utilities in 1983 and has been adopted by 22 other utility companies. Utility customers may add \$1 or more to their bills and WinterCare distributes that money to help more than 8,400 people in nearly 3,000 households each winter.

MENTORS ARE NEEDED!!

Join volunteers from Temple Adath Israel and Ohavay Zion Synagogue, and area churches to mentor one or two children at Harrison Elementary School. Mentors offer children a positive adult role model who provides consistent support and encouragement. Mentors volunteer to spend one hour a week at school. Shared activities depend upon your interests but could include playing games, reading stories, working on a computer, doing art activities, or simply eating lunch together and talking. Many of us look forward to mentoring as much as the kids look forward to seeing us. For more information, call Anne Graff at 264-9424.

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