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JEWISH LIFE IN IN CENTRAL KENTUCKY SHALOM Y'ALL

The CKJF/CRC exhibit, **JEWISH LIFE IN CENTRAL KENTUCKY: SHALOM Y'ALL**, opens December 10, 1989, at the Lexington Public Library, 140 E. Main Street, 2nd floor, with a program by Dr. Lee Shai Weissbach of the University of Louisville. His presentation, located in the Central Library Theatre at 2 p.m., will focus on the history of the Jewish community in Central Kentucky. A reception will be held after the program outside Conference Room A on the lower level.

The Jewish community is an active participant in Central Kentucky. This multi-panel exhibit illustrates the ways in which Jews have maintained and enriched their own cultural and religious lives while contributing to the growth and prosperity of Central Kentucky. The exhibit will be on display from December 10, 1989 through January 5, 1990.

The exhibit and program are made possible through the auspices of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, the Kentucky Humanities Council and the Lexington Public Library.



Soviet Jewish resettlement is a concern of utmost importance throughout the Jewish world. Central Kentucky Jewish women are co-sponsoring an evening of discussion and education on this vital and urgent topic. **Lanna Zusstone**, of Jewish Family Service in Louisville, herself a Soviet emigre will lead the session. It will take place at **Temple Adath Israel, Thursday, December 7, at 7:30 p.m.** This program is jointly sponsored by Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, Lexington Chapter of Hadassah, Ohavay Zion Synagogue Sisterhood and Temple Adath Israel Sisterhood.

UNITING THE GENERATIONS THROUGH GIVING

Super Sunday '90
February 25, 1990

For the eighth consecutive year, the Central Kentucky Jewish community joins Jews in communities around the nation in holding a day-long, fund raising phonathon. A major objective this year is to enlighten the Jewish community about the diversity of recipients who benefit from your contribution to this campaign.

When you help in "Uniting the Generations Through Giving," you strengthen the quality of life for the people of Israel; sustain Jewish life throughout the world; and build the communal life of the Central Kentucky Jewish community.

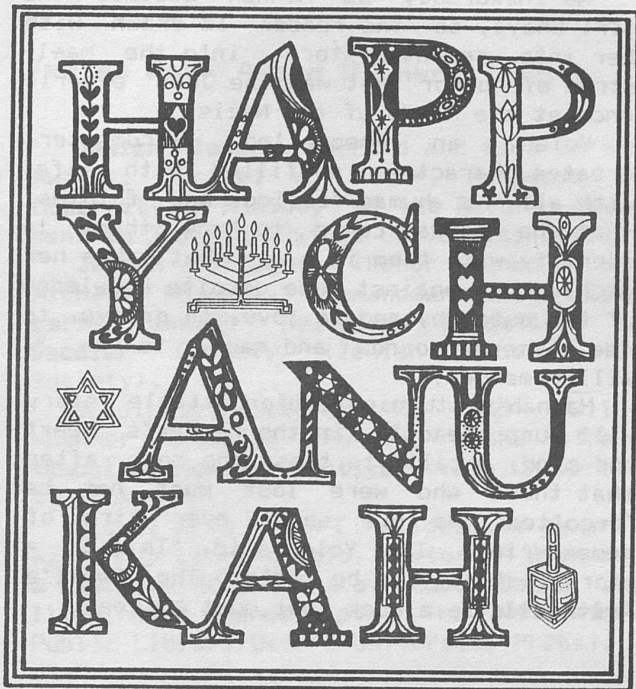
Money raised on Super Sunday helps provide opportunities for Jews locally, overseas and in Israel. Your dollars support numerous programs in Central Kentucky, which provide educational and community services to everyone from Jewish youth to Jewish elderly:

- \$25 - pays a month's rent for an elderly Jewish couple in Sousse, Tunisia
- \$40 - helps send a child to Camp Shalom
- \$200 - provides 100 meals at Community Kitchen
- \$300 - provides a month's care in a hostel for an elderly immigrant to Israel
- \$800 - provides annual funds for Central Kentucky's Transient Relief
- \$2000 - subsidizes as many as five young people to Jewish summer camps associated with the Lexington Jewish community
- \$4800 - provides a year of learning and working on a kibbutz to a new immigrant family

Many members of the Jewish community are already involved in this effort. Ellie and Alvin Goldman, Sara Hoffman, Charles Stern, Nancy Hoffman, Vicki Doukas, Stephanie Gilinsky, Liz and Bruce Broudy, Abe and Judy Levine, and Leon Cooper all have volunteered their time to coordinate key functions in this campaign. You can join your friends in this important effort and help to "UNITE THE GENERATIONS THROUGH GIVING." Volunteers are urgently needed.

Please contact the CKJF office (252-7622) or complete and mail the following form to the CKJF, 333 Waller Ave., Suite 5, Lexington, KY. 40504.

Name	Phone	Assignment Choice		Indicate 1st & 2nd Choice			
		Phoner	Non-Phoner	9-12	11-2	6-9p.m.	Other



QUESTIONS

1. What is the name of the top we spin on Hannukah?
2. How many candles do we light on the last night of Hannukah?
3. What are the four Hebrew letters on the dreidel?
4. How many days did the one cup of oil last in the Temple?
5. Why is Hannukah called the 'Festival of Lights'?
6. What is the name of the Jewish leader who fought the Syrians?
7. What Syrian King caused trouble for the Jewish people in 165 B.C.E.?
8. What happened to the Temple?
9. Where did the Maccabees live?
10. What does the word 'Hannukah' mean?
11. What food is associated with Hannukah?
12. How many candles do we light for the entire holiday of Hannukah?
13. What is the Hebrew date for the first day of Hannukah, and the month too?
14. Why did the Jewish people carry dreidels with them all the time?
15. What do the four letters on the dreidel stand for?
16. What makes the Israeli dreidel different from those in other countries, and why?
17. What was Judah Maccabee's father's name?
18. How many sons did Mattitياهو have?



Pre-school Hanukkah Party
 Sunday, December 17
 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.
 Temple Adath Israel

The party will take place in the Temple Adath Israel auditorium for all children ages two and a half through five. All parents are welcome; parents of children under three years old must accompany their children.

Each child is asked to bring a gift of value not to exceed \$3 with his/her name on it. The fun filled afternoon will include games, crafts, and refreshments.

Pre-school holiday parties are sponsored by CKJF in cooperation with Ohavay Zion Synagogue and Temple Adath Israel. The parties are another ongoing project made possible by your support of the annual CKJF-UJA campaign. Pre-school holiday parties are being chaired this year by Sandy Adland, Elise Mandel, and Kathy Grossman as a sub-committee of CKJF Community Activities Committee.

RESERVATIONS MAY BE MADE BY CALLING CKJF (252-7622) ANYTIME.

ANSWERS: 1. The Dreidel 2. Nine, The Shamas and all eight candles 3. Nun, gimel, hay and shin. Fey in Israel 4. Eight 5. Because the miracle of one day's oil lasted for eight days, until more could be made 6. Judah Maccabee 7. King Antiochus 8. The Temple was messed up, spoiled, dirtied. Holy objects were ruined 9. In Modiin 10. Dedication 11. Potatoe lake 12. 4 13. The 25th day of Kislev 14. So they could secretly pray while they pretended to play a game 15. A Great Miracle happened there (Here, in Israel) 16. The shin is a pay and it says 'here' not 'there' 17. Mattitياهو 18. Five

Jewish Book Month



חודש הספר היהודי
כ"ה חשוון-כ"ה כסלו 5750
November 23-December 23, 1989

The following is a brief review of two books reviewed in Jewish Book World.

A Remarkable Tribute to Israel

Israel, Frederic Brenner and A.B. Yehoshua. Edward Burlingame/Harper & Row, 10 East 53th Street, New York, NY 10022. 1988. 192 pages. \$40.00. Reviewed by Joseph Aaron

It's the kind of book for which coffee tables, and adjectives, were made. Adjectives like breathtaking, stunning, inspiring, thought-provoking, heart-tugging.

It is, like all good coffee table books should be, big. But the size of its outside isn't what's important. It's what's inside that makes Israel the book, like Israel the country and Israel the people, so special.

The Devil's Arithmetic

The Devil's Arithmetic, Jane Yolen. Viking Kestrel, 40 West 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010, 1988. 160 pages. \$11.95. Ages 10 to 14. Reviewed by Naomi Kleinberg

I read this book and knew no other book could touch Yolen's Holocaust novel in power, immediacy, and purity of language.

The Devil's Arithmetic begins with the words, "I'm tired of remembering." Hannah is complaining to her mother about spending Passover Seder listening to her grandfather's stories about the Holocaust, having his memories forced on her. But then history becomes real to Hannah in a way that defies rational explanation: when she opens the door for the Prophet Elijah, Hannah finds herself literally in another world—a Polish shtetl, where she and her relatives face deportation by the Nazis to an almost-certain fate.

As inexorably as Hannah becomes the girl Chaya, so the reader is drawn with her into recent history, into the maelstrom of horror that was the Jews' experience at the hands of the Nazis.

Yolen, an unequalled wordmaster, creates characters so filled with life, with all the human feelings and foibles, that the reader comes to know them, to identify with them in a way that makes her or him hope against hope despite knowledge of the outcome, and to love, to grieve, to feel immense sorrow and rage, to vow "I will remember."

Hannah's stunning, unforgettable story will burn steadily in the reader's heart and mind, a call to those who come after that those who were lost must not be forgotten. No one should ever tire of remembering. Jane Yolen said, "This is a story that had to be told," *The Devil's Arithmetic* is a book that must be read.

JEWISH BOOK AWARD WINNERS

Eleven authors and one illustrator have won the 1989 National Jewish Book Awards, it is announced by JWB Jewish Book Council.

The complete list of winners in the various categories follows:

Autobiography/Memoir (Sandra Brand and Arik Weintraub Award): Natan Sharansky, *Fear No Evil* (Random House).

Children's Literature (Anita and Martin Shapolsky Award): Jane Yolen, *The Devil's Arithmetic* (Viking Kestrel).

Children's Picture Book (Marcia and Louis Posner Award): Barbara Diamond Goldin, author, and Seymour Chwast, illustrator, *Just Enough is Plenty: A Hanukkah Tale* (Viking Kestrel).

Contemporary Jewish Life (Muriel and Phil Berman Award): Jonathan Kaufman, *Broken Alliance: The Turbulent Times Between Blacks and Jews in America* (Charles Scribner's Sons).

Fiction (William and Janice Epstein Award): Aharon Appelfeld, *The Immortal Bartfuss* (Weidenfeld & Nicolson).

Holocaust (Leon Jolson Award): Christopher Simpson, *Blowback: America's Recruitment of Nazis and Its Effects on the Cold War* (Weidenfeld & Nicolson).

Israel (Morris J. and Betty Kaplun Award): Haim Chertok, *Stealing Home: Israel Bound and Rebound* (Fordham University Press).

Jewish Book Award Winners (con't)

Jewish History (Gerrard and Ella Berman Award): Michael A. Meyer, **Response to Modernity: A History of the Reform Movement in Judaism** (Oxford University Press).

Jewish Thought (Donor Anonymous): Michael Rosenak, **Commandments and Concerns: Jewish Religious Education in Secular Society** (Jewish Publication Society).

Scholarship (Sarah H. and Julius Kushner Memorial Fund): Moshe Idel, **Kabbalah, New Perspectives** (Yale University Press).

Visual Arts (Leon L. Gildesgame Memorial Fund): Leonard Gold, editor, **A Sign and a Witness: 2000 Years of Hebrew Books and Illuminated Manuscripts** (The New York Public Library/Oxford University Press).

Hanukkah

-Is Christmas the Christian Hanukkah or is Hanukkah the Jewish Christmas?

Sunday, December 17, 3 p.m.

Hear an informative discussion on the comparison of Hanukkah and Christmas. Live music will illustrate the Hanukkah spirit. Presented by A. Lawrence Sherman.
Reservations

Central Library
Adult Materials Department
140 East Main Street
231-5530



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Ten Reasons To Support Israel Aid

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article appeared in the Near East Report.

In a recent speech on Capitol Hill, Thomas Dine, Executive Director of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, outlined 10 reasons for supporting U.S. military and economic assistance to Israel.

1. Aid to Israel is important to Israel's survival as a free and independent ally.

2. Aid to Israel is essential for sustaining the Middle East peace process. It allows Israel to take economic and strategic risks and represents America's ongoing investment in peace.

3. Aid to Israel allows Israel to promote American interests by deterring Soviet-backed radicalism in the Middle East; combatting international terrorism; enhancing U.S. deterrent strength through strategic cooperation; and improving America's intelligence capability.

4. Aid to Israel is one of the least expensive and most cost-effective expenditures the United States disburses for national security.

5. Aid to Israel represents less than 1% of the U.S. defense budget and less than 3% of U.S. expenditures on NATO's defense of Europe.

6. Aid to Israel is spent mostly in the United States and, according to the former director of the Agency for International Development, generates 60,000 jobs for every billion dollars of assistance.

7. Aid to Israel equals the amount Israel must repay each year to service its debt to the United States.

8. Aid to Israel has declined in real terms over the last 11 years and now is less than one-third of the 1976 level.

9. Aid to Israel prevents any further erosion in Israel's narrowing margin of security, particularly in light of the volume of weapons flooding into the arsenals of Israel's neighbors.

10. Aid to Israel bought Israel time to implement the necessary structural changes in its economy during the recent period of economic austerity.

CKJF CAMP SHALOM COMMITTEE SEEKS CAMP DIRECTOR

The Camp Shalom Committee, co-chaired for 1990 by Terry Goldfarb and Ricki Rosenberg, is now accepting applications for a Camp Director.

Qualifications are: Minimum age of 21 desired; B.A. degree desired; camp experience, experience working with children (volunteer groups, Sunday School, youth groups, etc.); supervisory and programming experience; Jewish; evidence of first aid training and certification.

Dates for camp are June 4 - June 22, 1990. Resumes may be sent to CKJF, 333 Waller Avenue, Suite 5, Lexington, KY, 40504. For further information contact Linda Ravvin at the CKJF office (252-7622).

Camp Shalom is one of the continuing programs of CKJF made possible by your contributions to the CKJF-UJA fundraising campaign.

YIDDISH CLASSES TO BE OFFERED

Prior knowledge of Yiddish not necessary. Have fun learning **Mame-Loshn**, the mother tongue that your parents used so you wouldn't understand! Share it with your children so they **WILL** understand. Or come to re-awaken your knowledge. We'll converse and learn the **alef-beyz** so we can read simple texts, understand letters from relatives, sing songs, share jokes and proverbs. Materials will be provided. Class will have the option of choosing textbook, if desired, after first few sessions. Elliot Gertel will be the instructor.

Classes will be on Wednesdays from January 10, 1990, through February 14, 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Ohavay Zion Synagogue. To cover the cost of materials and instruction, we are requesting \$30 tuition for the six weeks. Scholarships can be awarded, of course.

YOU MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE BY CALLING THE OZS OFFICE (266-8050). If you have any specific questions about the course, please call Elliot (268-4017).

TAI SISTERHOOD LUNCHEON

Temple Adath Israel Sisterhood's December 20th meeting will be a lunch-time affair, beginning at 12 noon at the Temple. Featured speaker will be noted cookbook author Zell Shulman, who will discuss and demonstrate Hannukah cooking and party-planning. The meeting is open to all women members of the local Jewish community, and the charge will be \$3 per person. Those attending should plan to bring a brown-bag lunch, as the cooking demonstration will provide only enough food for "tasting". The meeting should be expected to last between 2-2 1/2 hours. Please RSVP to the Temple (269-2979) by December 15. Babysitting will be available upon request.

FOLK DANCING AT TAI

Learn different heritages and exercise in a fun way! Everyone welcome, teenagers included. Temple Adath Israel, Monday evenings at 8pm. No charge. Contact Meg (887-1250) after 9pm.



LET THE GAMES BEGIN!

Reserve Saturday Night
January 20, 1990 - 7:00 p.m.
Lexington Tennis Club

for

OZS Winter Games

Tennis, Bridge, Bingo,
Trivial Pursuit, Pictionary,
Heavy Snacks and much more

\$15.00 per person admission
\$15.00 additional for tennis players

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3 5 KISLEV GOZ Dinner TAI 6pm	4 6 KISLEV TAI Intro. to Hebrew, 7-8pm TAI Basic Judaism 8:15-9:15pm	5 7 KISLEV OZS Adult Ed. 7:30-8:30pm	6 8 KISLEV	7 9 KISLEV Plea for Soviet Jewry, TAI 7:30	8 10 KISLEV	9 11 KISLEV Cory Erdmann Bar Mitzvah TAI
10 12 KISLEV CKJF Exhibit opens Lexington Public Library, 2pm TAI Preschool Fund- raiser, 9-12 noon	11 13 KISLEV CKJF Social Services Comm. Mtg. 8pm TAI Intro. to Hebrew, 7-8pm TAI Basic Judaism 8:15-9:15pm	12 14 KISLEV Hadassah Bd. Mtg. OZS Adult Ed. 7:30-8:30pm	13 15 KISLEV CKJF Budget Comm. Mtg.	14 16 KISLEV CKJF Budget Comm. Mtg.	15 17 KISLEV	16 18 KISLEV Aaron Johnson Bar Mitzvah TAI Diane Haber Bat Mitzvah OZS
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**Cheers
L'chaim
Prosit
Salud
Santé
Skoal**

Did it ever occur to you that
the Jewish version is just a little bit different
from all the rest?

It's not just a toast—
it's a one-word summary of everything
we believe in.

Please pay your 1989 CKJF-UJA pledge today

Vive la différence.

L'chaim.

And thanks.



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