

# FEDERATION NEWS

## Enroll Now for Summer Camps!

**PHILANTHROPY CAMP:** for rising 1st through rising 6th graders, July 27-July 31, 2015.

**DATES 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** at the Jewish Cultural Center and Chattanooga First Church of the Nazarene. This camp teaches children the value of *tikkun olam*, or "repairing the world." Games and activities help children explore philanthropy, faith, family, and community. **Cost:** \$120 (\$100 for each additional sibling)

**CAMP TIKKUN OLAM:** for rising 7th through rising 9th graders, July 27-July 31, 2015.

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Each day, campers will do hands-on service at a different local, non-profit organization and have fun learning experiences about each of those organizations. On Friday, the group will give a presentation to Philanthropy Camp. **Cost:** \$120/camper (\$100 for each additional sibling). Space is limited!

**For registration and information about either camp, contact [camp@jewishchattanooga.com](mailto:camp@jewishchattanooga.com) or contact Ann Treadwell at 493-0270 ext. 13. Registration WITH PAYMENT must be received to hold your spot.**

### Could YOU be a Camp Counselor?

Jewish Federation is looking for 3 organized, responsible, fun people to become Philanthropy Camp counselors. **REQUIREMENTS:** Must be rising 10, 11, 12th grader, up to 18yrs old. Camp Dates: July 27 – July 31, 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. daily (you must be available every day, all day). Compulsory Training Sessions: Wed. & Thursday, July 22 & 23; Friday, July 24, 10-2pm (meals included); For an application contact Ann Treadwell, Program Director at 423 493-0270 ext. 13 or [atreadwell@jewishchattanooga.com](mailto:atreadwell@jewishchattanooga.com)

### Passover with Federation Shlichah Noa Hadad at St. Nicholas School, April 13



### Yom Ha'atzmaut Family Program with Noa Hadad, April 19





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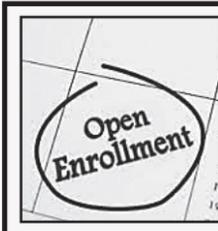


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# ALEPH BET CHILDREN'S CENTER



by Vicki Cathcart  
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Aleph Bet is now enrolling for summer (Camp Aleph Bet 2015) and the 2015-2016 school-year. Space is limited! Registration forms are available to print at [www.aleph-bet.com/registration](http://www.aleph-bet.com/registration). Schedule your personal tour! Call Vicki at 893-5486.

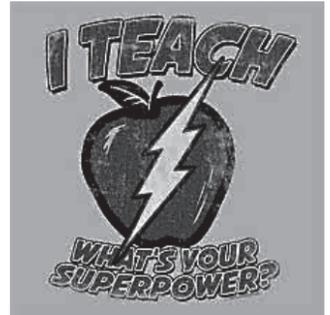
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## Aleph Bet Graduating Blue Room Class

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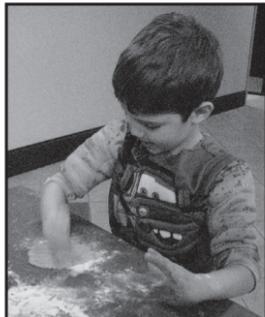


Visitor Appreciation Shabbat  
Friday, May 15 at 9:00 a.m.



Graduation and Year-End Program  
Thursday, May 28 at 4:00 p.m.  
Jewish Cultural Center

Friday, May 29  
End-of-Year Party  
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
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# CHATTANOOGA JEWISH CONGREGATIONAL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



## What Will I Do On My Summer Vacation?

by Co-Directors Paula Israel  
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Do kids these days still whine “Mom, I’m sooooo bored!”? When I was a kid, that was like asking for three months’ hard labor painting the eaves, weeding and picking the gardens, selling greeting cards door-to-door, helping my brother with his paper route, and scrubbing the common areas of our duplex. The chores never ended. And still we had time to ride our bikes, hula hoop, jump rope, sit in the shade and read, and buy an ice cream. But how do you maintain your child’s Judaism during the summer months?

First and foremost, attend Shabbat services. On vacation? Attend services at a different temple. You can easily find a location online. Ask your kids: How is it different from what you’re used to? The same? What did you like about it? How was the singing? Learn any new melodies? Were there musical instruments? While we all pray in Hebrew and English, there are always subtle differences in services at different places.

Light Shabbat candles on Friday nights. Bake your own challah. If you don’t want to start challah from scratch, purchase Rhodes frozen bread dough at Walmart, either whole loaves or the rolls which you can weave into small loaves. And on Saturday evenings, look for the three stars and do Havdalah.

Have your kids participated yet in our own local Philanthropy Camp, a joint venture between JFGC and The First Church of the Nazarene? Kids learn how to give back to their own local community, meet new friends both young and old, learn how a city operates, and become actively involved in many activities.

There is also JFGC Camp Tikkun Olam (“Repair the World”), which is along the same vein but aimed at the next older group of kids. Both of these week-long camps focus on becoming a person who gives back to the community. And these are not strictly Jewish camps – all kids are welcome. Both Philanthropy Camp and Camp Tikkun Olam are July 27-31. Call the Federation for info.

Perhaps your kids can attend Camp Colman or Camp Ramah Darom or other Jewish camps that are a little further away. Check out BunkConnect, which offers discounts for first time campers. Sometimes subsidies may be available through our own Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga.

Check out MySummerCamps.com. Camp Colman and Camp Barney Medintz are both in Cleveland, GA. Adamah Adventures is an outdoor adventure summer camp for 5th through 11th graders and is located in Atlanta, GA. Camp Gan in North Fulton, GA is aimed at campers aged 3 to 11. The Tikvah Program at Camp Ramah Darom in Clayton, GA is for teens aged 12-17 with autism spectrum disorder. 6 Points Sci-Tech Academy in Byfield, Massachusetts is for grades 5 through 10 where kids hypothesize, experiment, and test new technologies. NFTY in Israel is for teens aged 15-18 and involves 4 weeks of travel in Israel and Europe. NFTY also has Mitzvah Camp in Israel which involves a variety of service projects. NFTY’s L’dor v’dor program includes one week of travel in Europe and four weeks of travel in Israel. NFTY-EIE is six weeks of high school in Israel with academic credit. Camp Judaea in Henderson, NC is for 3rd through 7th grades and includes a side trip to New York City or Washington, D.C.

Or consider BigIdea in Israel (formerly eCamp), a wonderful place for experimenting and creating. There are five basic tracks to choose from: (1) Music, theatre, photography, film production, movies, videos, news production; (2) Design including comics, animation, graphic design, jewelry design, fashion design; (3) Robotics and gaming, entrepreneurship, wave surfing; (4) Cyber camp, working with and building computers, programming, web design, writing mobile apps; (5) Special tracks including martial arts, science, and space. Big Idea is for 2nd through 12th graders and is primarily in English with some Hebrew (translators always available).

For older kids, check out the Tivnu Gap Year Program. This is a 9 month residential experience for high school graduates ages 17-20. Participants work, study, and live together in Portland, Oregon, building homes and doing other hands-on service work, creating community, and exploring the connections between Judaism and social justice.

The Bronfman Youth Fellowships in Israel (BYFI) is another possibility for older teens/young adults. This program sends 26 outstanding North American teenagers to Israel for five weeks of intellectually engaging summer study during which they experience a shared sense of Jewish community. The program educates and inspires exceptional young Jews from diverse backgrounds to become active participants and leaders in Jewish culture throughout their lives

and to contribute their talents and vision to the Jewish community and to the world at large. Allison Rhodes, daughter of Janice and Dr. Clayton Rhodes, participated in this program a few years ago. The program was founded by Edgar M. Bronfman and is funded by The Samuel Bronfman Foundation which focuses on projects dedicated to fostering a Jewish renaissance.

How about singing? Did you know there is an online resource that can help you learn the parts of the Jewish service? Check out SiddurAudio.com This free resource plays audio clips with the Hebrew shown below. You can play a whole song or just a line of it. There are prayers for Friday night services, Saturday Shabbat services, Havdalah, Passover, Shabbat songs, Hanukkah blessings, and more. You can also purchase several CDs if you prefer to play them while commuting.

Another free resource for learning Hebrew is through Behrman House. The basic website brings up online Hebrew learning and games, but it is primarily a gateway to purchasing a text for further learning. Look up EKS Publishing which specializes in books and auxiliary learning aids for mastering classical Hebrew. They offer self-study courses and classroom materials for students of all ages. Whether your goal is to learn the alphabet, translate the Hebrew Bible, or simply follow along services, EKS has the tools to meet your needs.

If you want a little more detail in your learning, consider TropeTrainer and TefillahTrainer. Trope is the specific tunes for the Torah, Haftarah, and other texts noted by different symbols above or below the letters. With this software, you can learn how to chant the Torah and Haftarah at your own pace, accent, pitch, and male or female voice, and literally at your own pace – you can set the speed any way you want. You can customize the Torah portion to show vowels or no vowels, and you can colorize specific portions and print off whatever segments you need to study away from your computer.



For young children new to Hebrew, I love the wonderful Alef-Bet Adventure CD. This program takes kids through each consonant of the Hebrew alphabet, one at a time, with multiple lessons to insure proficiency. It covers vowels extensively with ten lessons per vowel. There are periodic checks to insure mastery of each letter and vowel. This is a great self-study option for beginning Hebrew readers, kids AND adults.

DinoLingo.com is sort of like Rosetta Stone for very young kids, ages 1 through 8. There is an online version of (Hebrew) software, online games, videos, songs, and worksheets for \$99/year, or for the ambitious, all 43 languages for \$249/year. Or you can purchase physical product of the Hebrew learning set for about \$120.

As an adult, one of the easiest ways to learn or reinforce your Judaism is to become a teacher at CJCRS. There is no better way to learn something well than to prepare to teach it. We may have some slots open come late summer.

And if your teen is interested in becoming a madrich/madricha, or teacher’s aide, please have your 9th-12th graders contact Paula or Jackie to get involved. Madrichim also have their own weekly learning session with an advisor. This experience is often one’s first paying job. It also adds a nice touch to one’s college resume.

So have a little learning va-cay within your summer vacation. When all is said and done, help yourself and your family learn how to bask in the wonderful joy of Shabbat. It is a weekly treat to rest, learn, connect, read, enjoy each other’s company and wonder at God’s creation in our beautiful world. And it doesn’t cost anything! What could be better?! Paula and I wish you all the best of summer vacations and look forward to seeing you around town over the next three months.

**May 3 is the last class this spring! CJCRS will reconvene in August at Mizpah Congregation on McCallie Avenue.**

# B'NAI ZION CONGREGATION

*B'nai Zion Congregation*

*For Our Ancestors, For Us, For Our Descendants*

## Shabbat at Mizpah

**Friday, May 1**

Join the B'nai Zion family as we join together with our Mizpah family for First Friday Night at Mizpah Congregation. There will be food and friends all surrounded by Shabbat.

Pre-neg at 5:30 p.m.; Kabbalat Shabbat Services at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner. Cost is \$710; please RSVP to the Mizpah office: Mizpah@epbf.com or 267-9771.



## BLT

**Sunday, May 3: 9:30 a.m.**

Monthly Bagels, Lox and Tefillin Minyan  
Come for the praying and stay for the food!

## Men's Club Shabbat

**Saturday, May 9: 9:45 a.m.**

Join us as members of the B'nai Zion Men's Club lead our congregation in prayer. A Kiddush luncheon sponsored by the organization will follow services.



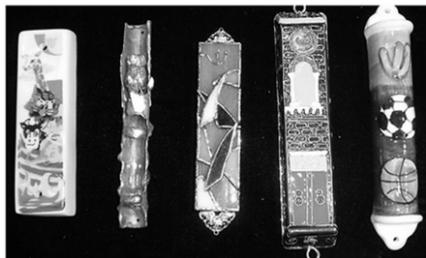
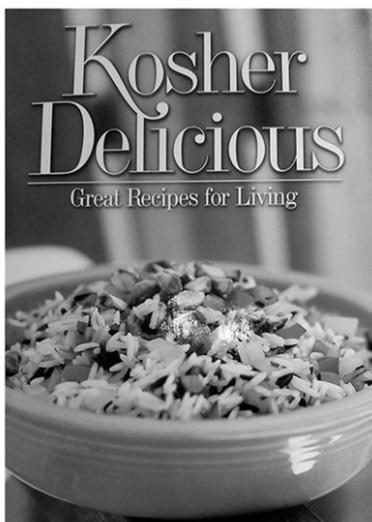
## Lunch & Learn

**Thursday, May 14 & 28: 12 p.m. @ BZ**

Join us for invigorating conversations with Rabbi Tandler. RSVP to Marcia with your lunch preference (tuna or egg salad). Cost is \$5.

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## Shavuot 5775



### Tikun Leil Shavuot

**Saturday, May 23: 7:45-9:30 p.m.**

Hosted at the home of Rabbi Susan Tandler and Ross Sadoff. We hope you can join us for a night filled with food, singing and learning. RSVP is requested by May 20.

Call 894-8900 or office@bzcongregation.com

**May 24 – Shavuot Morning Services, 1st Day: 9:30 a.m.**  
Followed by a BBQ chicken lunch. Cost is \$7 for lunch, RSVP to the office by May 19.

**May 25 – Shavuot Morning Services, 2nd Day: 9:30 a.m.**

Yizkor not before 11:00 a.m.

Babysitting is available on both May 24 & 25.

## Beit Sefer Ivri

Beit Sefer Ivri Meeting Dates – May 6, 13

On May 13, the Beit Sefer Ivri school year will come to a close. In true Jewish tradition, we will celebrate this event with a siyyum. A siyyum is a celebration in honor of the conclusion of formal learning. Our siyyum will include dinner, awards, a video slide show, and more. I hope all our families will join us on May 13 at 6p.m. for this wonderful occasion.



*Our USY chapter, ChooUSY, had a great time at the Spring Sub Regional Convention hosted by Synagogue Emanu-El in Charleston, SC. We are looking forward to a great year in 2015/16!*

*For more information about Hebrew school or upcoming youth events, contact Jason Cathcart: 894-8900 x103 or jason@bzcongregation.com*

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# MIZPAH CONGREGATION



by Donna Etkin

## May 2015 Worship Schedule

### Friday May 1

Mizpah Congregation welcomes members of B'nai Zion Congregation for Shabbat:

5:30 pm Oneg Shabbat Refreshments and Socializing

6:00 pm Kabbalat/Erev Shabbat Service

First Friday Shabbat Service and Dinner to follow in Feinstein Hall

### Friday May 15

5:45 pm Oneg Shabbat Refreshments and Socializing

6:15 pm Shabbat Shirim: A Shabbat of Song

### Friday May 8, 22, 29

5:45 pm Oneg Shabbat Refreshments and Socializing

6:15 pm Kabbalat/Erev Shabbat Service

### Saturday May 2, 16, 23, 30

9:00 am Breakfast and Torah Study

11:00 am Shabbat Morning Service

### Saturday May 9

10:30 am Alexandria Center is called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah

### Saturday May 23

Tikkun Leyl Shavuot – Erev Shavuot Learning Program [Evening]. Details to be announced

### Sunday May 24

11:00 am Shavuot Morning Service with Yizkor

### Tuesday May 5, 12, 19, 26

7:30 am Early Morning Study: “Well-known Jews and their Achievements”

### Wednesday May 6

4:30 pm Mizpah Academy Hebrew Program – Final Classes for Year with Culminating Program

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Rabbi Bill Tepper, who was named one of “America’s Most Inspiring Rabbis: 33 Men and Women Who Move Us” by *The Jewish Daily Forward*.

**Summer at Camp Coleman:  
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Check out the website  
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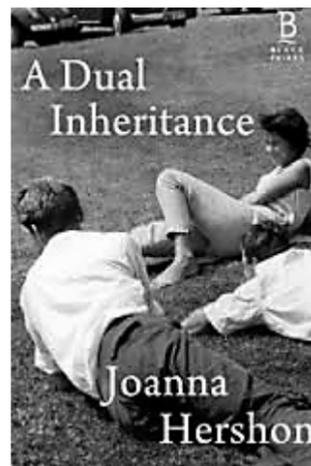
## “GETTING TO KNOW WELL-KNOWN JEWS”

### Tuesday Morning Learning at Mizpah

Enjoy coffee, conversation, learning and friendship on Tuesday Mornings, 7:30 to 8:30am in Mizpah Congregation’s Harris A. Gould Library, as we explore the lives of such Jewish figures as (below, left to right): Ronald Lauder, Regina Jonas and Al Jolson, as well as Kivie Kaplan, Emma Lazarus, Ahad Ha’am, Susanna of the Apocrypha and Judah Halevi. There is no charge, all are welcome and the coffee is always fresh.



## MIZPAH BOOK CLUB



The Mizpah Book Club met over brunch at the home of Jan Jacobs on Sunday, March 22 to discuss *The Lemon Tree* by Sandy Tolan. We will next meet Sunday, May 31 at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Bev and Steve Coulter to discuss *A Dual Inheritance* by Joanna Hershon. Please contact Amy Cohen at: [acohen@baylorschool.org](mailto:acohen@baylorschool.org) if you have questions or wish to join this wonderful literary group!

## DAVIS ACADEMY STUDENTS VISIT MIZPAH

The Alfred & Adele Davis Academy, the Reform Jewish Day School in Atlanta, provides an academically-challenging environment with enriched curricula, integrating general academics and Judaic studies. Group below visited on March 20th.



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## JOIN IN WORSHIP WITH B'NAI ZION

Friday, May 1, 2015, our fellow-Jews from B'nai Zion Congregation will join us at Mizpah for Kabbalat Shabbat Services. Please note the following changes in our usual Shabbat Service Schedule: Oneg: 5:30 pm; Services: 6:00 pm. CJCRS— Chattanooga Jewish Congregational Religious School— Students will help conduct the Services. This is the final Shabbat of the School year. Plan now to attend!



### ALEXANDRIA CENTER CALLED AS BAT MITZVAH

Alexandria Elizabeth (Alex) Center will become a Bat Mitzvah on May 9 at 10:30 a.m. at Mizpah Congregation. The daughter of Channing and Trent Center, she is a 7th grader at Girls Preparatory School. She takes honors English and Math, is a cheerleader on the Middle School Blue Crew, and plays on the middle school basketball and volleyball teams. Siblings are Eli (10), Olivia (7), and Luci (6). Grandparents are Margie Bevil and the late Honorable Steve Bevil and Marilyn and Morton Center. Alex’s community service hours

have been spent with the Friends of Special Children at Signal Centers School where she has volunteered for many years. The congregation is invited to attend the service and kiddish luncheon.



### MIZPAH SOCIAL ACTION PLANTS TREES

50K Trees—95 Counties—One hour  
On March 14 our Social Action Committee, led by (from left) Flossie Weill and Stefanie deOlloqui, joined Mizpah and non-Mizpah members at Audubon Acres to build a better environment. Also seen (fourth and fifth from right) are Charles Joels and Herb Cohn.

## Mizpah Congregational Passover Seder Photos, April 3



Left-right, Rabbi Tepper guides seder; Frank and Pam Miller; Beverly and Steve Coulter

# CHABAD OF CHATTANOOGA



From the local Chabad website



Chabad of Chattanooga

Rabbi Shaul Perlstein

Some 300 years ago, there lived a Rabbi Samson Wertheimer in Vienna. Renowned for his wisdom and fine character, he was also King Leopold's Finance-Minister. Rabbi Samson took great pride in his Judaism and used his great influence at court to benefit his oppressed Jewish brethren. At that time a certain bishop won the king's favor. The bishop could not bear to see the king giving so much honor and faith in, a Jew. Yet, try as he would, the bishop could not find any excuse to cause the king to mistrust him.

One day he exclaimed to the king. "There is a Jew whom you have trusted with all the wealth of the kingdom. Do you know if he is faithful and honest?" The king seemed surprised, so the bishop continued. "I know that he cheats you! I can even prove it to your majesty. You see, I have a copy of his books, and as you will learn he has amassed a huge amount of money. Let the king ask him how much he is worth, if he states a sum less than what is mentioned in the books, you will know that he is a dishonest swindler."

The king, eager to prove these suspicions groundless, agreed to try this test. "One condition," the bishop went on. "If Wertheimer is proven a swindler, he must be burnt alive." The king allowed himself to be influenced, and the furnace was prepared. The king gave orders to his hangmen that, if a person, should come to them and ask in the king's name: "Have you carried out the king's order?" they should straight away be thrown into the furnace!

That day during a routine conversation the king asked Rabbi Samson in a matter-of-factly way how much his personal wealth was. The king could hardly restrain his anger upon hearing the response. Rabbi Samson's answer was roughly one-tenth of what he truly owned. The bishop was right! His trustworthy and reliable finance minister had apparently fooled him!

The king then told him to go to the furnace and ask the hangmen if they had carried out the king's orders. On his way to fulfill the king's orders he was stopped by a worried Jew. "Today my newborn son is eight days old, and I cannot find a mohel to perform the great Mitzvah of circumcision. I beg of you, Rabbi, please come and perform the ceremony" The rabbi, seeing that such a great Mitzvah came his way, did not hesitate too long. After the ceremony, a festive meal was served and Rabbi Samson felt slightly dizzy from the wine. He decided to lay down for a while and soon fell asleep.

That night, the bishop could not sleep. He had heard that the king sent his Jewish finance minister to his certain death, and confiscated his possessions, But he wanted to be sure, so with a devilish smirk on his face he went to the furnace. "I have come to see with my own eyes if you have carried out the king's orders!" the bishop remarked gaily.

"Aha! We are waiting for you" the hangmen answered. They grabbed hold of him and carried out the king's orders.

Meanwhile, Rabbi Samson woke up and hurried home only to learn all of his possessions were confiscated! He prayed the morning prayers, and hastened on his way to carry out his king's command. "Yes! We carried out our orders to the letter," the hangmen replied. He then ran to the palace to find a surprised king looking at him, as if he were a ghost!

Rabbi Samson excused himself for having been unable to carry out the royal command the same day. However, he reassured the king that his command had been carried out. On the other hand, he could not understand why the king had confiscated all the property he so honestly earned.

The king then embraced Rabbi Samson. With tears coming to his eyes he relayed the whole story, and what a remarkable escape the rabbi had enjoyed. "I am now assured that you are a religious, G dly man, whom your great G d has saved from a certain unearned death. But tell me, why did you deny the truth and not admit the full amount of your riches?"

"G d forbid!" Rabbi Samson replied. "I would not tell a lie. When the king asked me how much I was sure I possessed, I could not state the amount in the books. That was not definitely mine. Only yesterday I had this amount, and today the king confiscated everything. The only certain possessions that I have, that can never be taken away are those that I have donated to charity. I am used to giving a tenth of my earnings to charity, and therefore that is the amount I stated."

The king was extremely pleased with Rabbi Samson's explanation, and returned all his belongings. He also granted Rabbi Samson a wish and a great synagogue was erected in the capital, known as "Rabbi Samson's Synagogue."

**Join us for A Day on the Farm Lag B'omer Party**  
**May 7, 5:30 pm**  
**At the Powder Springs Farm**  
**Zip line over the creek!**  
**Southern smoked BBQ!!**  
**(Yup you betchya – in our own barrel smoker!!)**  
**Fish the lake!**  
**Play/hike at the creek**  
**Play with the chickens, horses, donkeys**  
**Special music around the bonfire to end the night!**

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**SUNDAY MAY 24TH 11:00 AM**



Chabad Hebrew school has become high tech. Left, the children reviewing and learning aleph bet and Judaica through apps and computer games.



Above, pre-pesach model seder and seder plates game.



Left, proud parents and proud moms ready for Passover

For more information about any of the events on this page or to RSVP, please contact 423-490-1106 or rabbishaulp@gmail.com

# HADASSAH NEWS



## Hadassah Happenings

by *Judy Sachsman*  
Past President

Sandy Tabakin, Millie Lander, and Dana Waxler have recently returned from the New Orleans Spring Conference full of "Big Easy" Hadassah spirit. In April, the Women of Mizpah and the B'nai Zion Sisterhood joined Hadassah for a private tour of the Siskin Museum of Religious Artifacts, organized by Dana Banks. Also in April, Elaine Winer graciously hosted a skin care health awareness program presented by Dr. Wesley Galen.

May Hadassah events start with "A Step Ahead," a short film and discussion with Rachel Schulson, Executive Director of the Step Ahead Foundation. Riki Jordan Odineal and Noa Hasdad are chairing this coffee and dessert at 6 PM on Tuesday, May 5, at the Jewish Cultural Center.



On Sunday, May 17, Hadassah celebrates the Chattanooga Chapter's 100th Anniversary with a donor luncheon, chaired by Finette Winer and Ellyn Brooks at the Embassy Suites, Hamilton Place. Doris Greenberg, former Hadassah National Board Member, will be the guest speaker and Tennessee Schmaltz, an Old Country Klezmer group, will provide the entertainment as part of a program called, "Sons Reminisce About Their Mothers' Hadassah." Members are encouraged to return their response cards as soon as possible for this fabulous occasion.

In June, Sandy Tabakin will sponsor an encore Novel-Tea at her home. Once again, Cathryn Cohen will return to lead the discussion. Our June pick is *As A Driven Leaf*, by Milton Steinberg.

Chapter members should be ready for a spectacular 100th chapter year! Join Hadassah and make a commitment. Membership in Hadassah is the perfect gift that fits every occasion. And for every occasion, starting with Mother's Day, Hadassah cards are available from Paula Israel (423-802-8434). Millie Lander reports that the newest Hadassah jewelry features a heart necklace, priced at \$100, which supports the new addition to Hadassah Hospital.

Three styles of bracelets, at \$25 each, will support Young Judaea scholarships. Think Hadassah for lifecycle events! HADASSAH: Putting our Jewish values into action: advocacy, health and well being, building community in Israel and the United States. The Chattanooga chapter welcomes Barbie Potts, Chattanooga's newest Life Member. And we will miss Mary Rind, past Hadassah chapter president.

*Hadassah Tri Region Conference in New Orleans, Ap. 17-19. Hadassah won top honors, Star of the Southern Region. L-r, Dana Waxler, Millie Lander, Southern Region Vice President Bonnie Borning, Chapter President Sandy Tabakin.*



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## **Jewish Federation Mission Statement**

The Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga builds and fosters a strong unified Jewish community and strives to ensure its well-being and continuity locally, in Israel, and throughout the world.

## **Jewish Cultural Center Statement of Purpose**

The Jewish Cultural Center, funded by the Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga, is a venue for programs, classes, and exhibits; social services; and a preschool—all rooted in Jewish values. The facility enables the Jewish community to raise its visibility, foster relationships, and strengthen its identity in the Chattanooga area.

## **Shofar Policies and Procedures**

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### **The Shofar calendar**

The Federation maintains an online calendar for the community that includes congregational events, social activities, special services and celebrations. Contact Carolyn Sherman or Sarah DiStefano at the Federation (493-0270, ext. 10; [federation@jewishchattanooga.com](mailto:federation@jewishchattanooga.com)) before scheduling your event and/or to add your date to the calendar. View the online calendar by visiting [www.jewishchattanooga.com](http://www.jewishchattanooga.com) and clicking the calendar tab.

Only Jewish Federation and Federation-sponsored events are listed on the *Shofar* calendar, which appears on the inside back page of each issue.

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# May 2015 Iyar/Sivan 5775

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29 Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC	30	1 Candle Lighting 8:09	2 Candle Lighting 9:08
3 CJCRS final day	4 Interfaith Panel 7pm JCC	5 Tuesday Cafe 12pm Hadassah-Fed- eration Event 6pm JCC	6 Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC  Film Series Screening of "Mr. Kaplan" 7pm, JCC	7	8 Memory Screening JCC See page 6 Candle Lighting 8:14	9 Candle Lighting 9:15
10 Hike with Noa 4pm	11 Foreign Policy Supper Club 7pm JCC	12 Tuesday Cafe 12pm ADL Speaker Presidents and Professionals meeting, 4pm	13 Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC  Film Series Screening of "The Art Dealer" 7pm, JCC	14	15 YJL in Nashville Candle Lighting 8:20	16 YJL in Nashville Candle Lighting 9:21
17 YJL Social Event	18	19 Tuesday Cafe and Noon Nosh with Amy Oppenheimer and Israel Bonds 12pm, JCC	20 Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC  Film series screening of "Muses of Isaac B.Singer" 7pm, JCC	21 Jewish Geog- raphy Exhibit opens 5:30 JCC	22 Candle Lighting 8:25	23 Candle Lighting 9:27
24  31 Shavuot Candlelighting 9:28	25 Federation closed for Memorial Day	26 Tuesday Cafe 12pm	27 Film Series Screening of "The Green Prince" 7pm	28 Aleph Bet Graduation 4pm	29 Candle Lighting 8:30	30 Night Run 9:15 Bluff View District Candle Lighting 9:32

For an up-to-the-minute version of a calendar that displays events for all Jewish community organizations, click the Community Calendar tab on the homepage of [www.jewishchattanooga.com](http://www.jewishchattanooga.com). The Shofar calendar lists only Jewish Federation and Federation-sponsored events.

## Key Jewish Federation Dates

**Monday, May 4**

Interfaith Panel

**Tuesday, May 12 and 19**

Tuesday Cafe special speakers

**Thursday, May 21**

Jewish Geography Exhibit opens

**Saturday May 30**

Night Run

## Calendar Abbreviation Key

<b>Aleph Bet</b>	Aleph Bet Children's Center
<b>BZ</b>	B'nai Zion Congregation
<b>CJCRS</b>	Chattanooga Jewish Congregational Religious School
<b>JCC</b>	Jewish Cultural Center
<b>YL</b>	Jewish Federation Young Leadership
<b>P2G</b>	Partnership 2Gether

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