

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Enroll Now for Philanthropy Day Camp

A camp for rising 1st through rising 6th graders.

This camp teaches children the value of *tikkun olam*, or "repairing the world." Games and activities will help children explore philanthropy, faith, family, and community.

Enroll Now for Camp Tikkun Olam

A camp for rising 7th through rising 9th graders

Each day, campers will engage in hands-on service at a different local non-profit organization, and have fun learning about each of those organizations.

On Friday, the group will give a presentation to Philanthropy Camp.

Both camps run July 31-August 4, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Co-sponsored by the Jewish Federation and First Church of the Nazarene

\$130/camper

(\$100 for each additional sibling)

Registration WITH PAYMENT

must be made to hold your spot

For more information or to register, contact
camp@jewishchattanooga.com
or Ann Treadwell at 493-0270 ext. 13.
You can also register online at
<http://www.Jewishchattanooga.com>>Camps

Special thank you to B'nai Zion Congregation and Mizpah Congregation for being contributors to Philanthropy Camp.

Why Philanthropy Camp?

Because. Here's testimony.

I asked Lucie if she had any "must do" camps for this summer. She said "Philanthropy Camp... that's pretty much it." We'll be there with bells on. It's a treasure in this town.

Isaiah is bummed, but won't be able to go (to camp) this year because we moved!

This is the only camp she's ever agreed to go to alone. I think the song leader made her feel right at home! It's a great place for kids to feel happy, engaged and a part of something bigger."

"I realized after I got there (Philanthropy Camp) that it was the same things as what my mom and dad like to do. So I started to realize why they sent me."

I would love to take on a leadership role. I love the counselors and how they love to help other kids and teach them how philanthropy changes people's lives. I think that would be a good role for me."

(In 2017, 4 of the counselors were previous Philanthropy Camp campers.)

Philanthropy Camp offers rising first through rising sixth graders, and concurrently rising seventh through rising ninth graders, the opportunity to give back to the community through fun filled, hands-on activities that are tied to specific lessons grounded in faith. For more, information, or to register, call Ann Treadwell at 493-0270 extension 13, or go to our website and click on Programs>Camps.

Israel Consulate General at Federation May 17

On Wednesday, May 17 the Consulate General of Israel to the Southeastern United States, Ambassador Judith Varnai Shorer, stopped in at the Federation to talk about what Israel is doing to further relationships nationally and locally in the political, economic, cultural & academic arenas. The leadership of Federation, Mizpah, B'na Zion, and Chabad were invited to attend.

Ambassador Varnai Shorer, a nearly 40-year veteran of the Israeli diplomatic corps, is a former ambassador to Hungary and Bosnia-Herzegovina, and former minister of congressional affairs at the Israeli Embassy in Washington, DC. She reassured those present at the lunch that Israel is a strong state and that there are hopes that the peace process will go forward under President Trump.



Israel Consulate General Judith Varnai Shorer (third from left) with with Federation Executive Director Michael Dzik



Judith Varnai Shorer



Karen Diamond, Jordan Parker, and Alan Richelson



Mike Spector, Ken Goldsmith



Robin Balsler, Scott Israel



Jackie Rosenfield with Paula Israel

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FEDERATION PROGRAMS

Jew Crew

Jew Crew: That's a Wrap!

With no time to spare, 20 Jew Crew teens gathered at the new Spare Time for the final Jew Crew program of the year. Competitive bowling, a fierce game of laser tag and some serious socializing was only matched by the final farewell toasts we gave to our four amazing seniors: Rachel Dzik, Giliah Frauwirth, Will Potts (sister Carolyn served as his proxy for the photos) and Blake Snetman. Our seniors have been loyal and committed members of the Crew for four years and will be deeply missed next year. We also got to extend our gratitude and love for our shlichah, Shiran Amir, who will be leaving Chattanooga at the end of the summer. But with all friendly farewells, we agree this isn't goodbye, but instead, "I'hitraot," for we will certainly see everyone again soon. In fact, we look forward to seeing our returning Jew Crew members along with our new ninth graders next fall at our annual Jew Cruise, which is currently slated for **Sunday, August 20**. Have a great summer!

--Alison & Andy



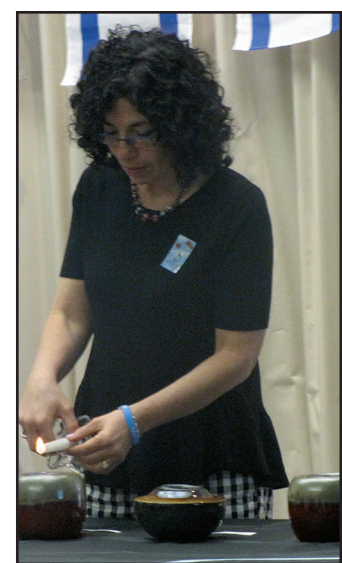
Jew Crew 2017-18 Schedule

- Sunday August 20, JEW CREW CRUISE 12:30-2:30
- September 24 12:15 – 2:15
- November 5 12:15 – 2:15
- December 3 12:15 – 2:15
- January 28 2018 12:15 – 2:15
- February 23-25 2018 (Annual Weekend Retreat)
- April 15 12:15 – 2:15
- May 6 12:15 – 2:15

DID YOU KNOW? Your campaign dollars help fund Jew Crew!

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Yom Hazikaron and Yom Ha'azmaut, May 2



CELEBRATING 40 YEARS!

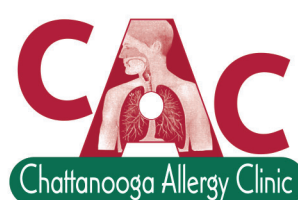
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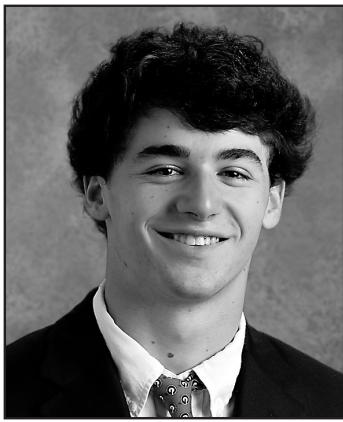
BACK ROW: Shandra Burnett, FNP; Christy Kensey, FNP; Brittany Hamby, FNP; Linda Melton, FNP; Donna Bearden, FNP; Shannon Hayes, FNP; Honor Hightshue, FNP
FRONT ROW: Hyman Kaplan, MD; Lee Perry, MD; Marc Cromie, MD; Todd Levin, MD; Jennifer Patel, MD



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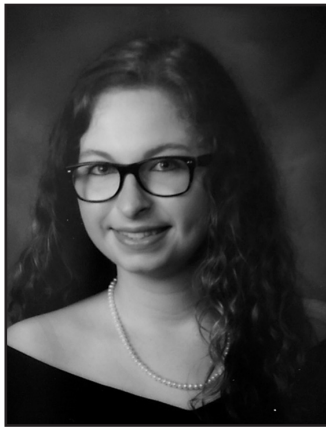
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Sam Balsler Graduates from McCallie

Mazel tov to Samuel "Sam" Balsler, who graduated from The McCallie School in May. Sam is the son of Robin and Jeff Balsler, and grandson of Robert and Renee Schwartz from Macon, and Claire and the late Arnold Balsler of Atlanta. He has two brothers, Seth and Jake. Sam will attend UT Knoxville in the fall.



Micaela Simms Graduates from Girls Preparatory School

Congratulations to Micaela Simms on her graduation from Girls Preparatory School. Micaela is the daughter of Dr. Martin and Shelley Simms and the granddaughter of Phyllis and Syd Palansky and Rivka Green and Irwin Simms (deceased). She has one sister, Danielle, 21.

In school Micaela was Health Club Secretary and Treasurer of the National Art Honors Society. Her favorite subjects were anatomy and physiology, and chemistry. Micaela volunteers at the Food Bank of Greater Chattanooga and enjoys drawing, painting, and hiking in her spare time. She will attend Brandeis University in the fall and plans to take pre-med.

Variety of Craft Classes Coming to JCC This Summer

Paper Marbling, Japanese Stab Binding Workshops to be Offered

June 20 7-9 p.m. Paper Marbling Workshop



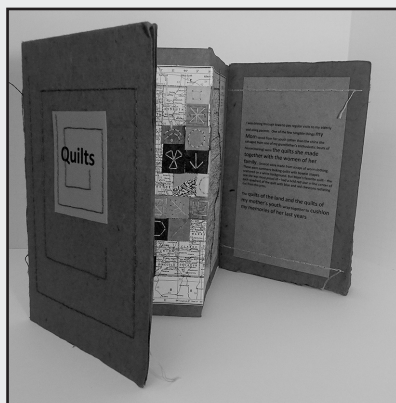
Come learn the fun and fabulous art of paper marbling, with artist Lolly Durant. This workshop explores the age old art of making paper look like marble and cloth look like a calligraphic print. Marbling is a calligraphic medium that floats color on a fluid surface. Marbling inks break the surface tension to create a spontaneous line drawing. The resulting marbled paper is a popular decorative paper used especially as endpapers in bookbinding and stationary. Marbled cloth is used by quilters

for art quilts and for various sewing projects. Participants will have an opportunity to "pull" monotype prints on paper.

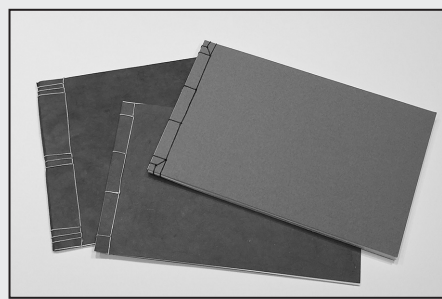
Olive Durant, better known as "Lolly," is an East Tennessee Folk Artist, printmaker and potter. She is a teaching artist with Tennessee Arts Commission and owner of Down & Under Studios on Signal Mountain.

Minimum 6 participants, maximum 12 participants. \$12 per person includes all materials. Interested? RSVP@jewishchattanooga.com or call 493-0270.

July 11 7-9 p.m. Stab Binding Workshop



"Quilts" by Ellen Simak, 2015. Salago and other fine art papers, vintage map, embroidery thread. T-cut book structure



Above, example of Japanese stab binding by Nora Bernhardt

Ever wondered how to make your own book? Join us at the JCC July 11 from 7-9 pm for this fascinating workshop on a Japanese technique called stab binding, taught by book arts experts Nora Bernhardt and Ellen Simak. Japanese stab binding is a simple and beautiful bookbinding technique perfect for journals, notebooks, sketchbooks and more. Each participant will create one or more books. All materials provided. We need a minimum of 5 but no more than 10 participants. \$10/person. Interested? RSVP@jewishchattanooga.com or call 493-0270.



Blake Snetman Graduates from McCallie

Congratulations to Blake Snetman, who graduated from The McCallie School in May. Blake is the son of Amy and Robert Snetman, and grandson of Margie and the late Jay Snetman and the late Harrison and Toby Myers. He has one sister, Jordan, age 20. Blake has been active in tennis, community service, and in the National Honor Society, and was a Day Student Advisor at McCallie. He was also involved with S.P.I.R.I.T.U.A.L.S, was Happiness Club Leader, and worked at Sunday School for three years. He plans to attend Elon University in the fall, where he will major in Political Science and Communications.

Bringing Ethiopian Jews Home

1,460 DAYS CHANGES EVERYTHING

It took decades to bring Ethiopian Jews home. But it takes only 1460 days to transform the lives of an entire generation through the Ethiopian National Project's SPACE program. Students who take part in this program have seen an increase in their matriculation rate by nearly 30%. Graduates of the program are able to do something that their parents never could—enter Israeli society on a level playing field with their contemporaries.

GIVING STUDENTS THE SUPPORT TO SUCCEED

Meet Rachel, an ENP SPACE program participant who says, "Being in SPACE taught me to not give up on anything because if they don't give up on you, you can't give up on yourself."

Rachel needed that extra push to help her excel, as she aspired to do. It wasn't until she took part in the SPACE program that she received the support she needed to reach her full potential and compete with her peers who have much greater resources at home.



Rachel, ENP SPACE participant

Through SPACE, you're ensuring that students receive four hours of weekly instruction and a daily lunch. You're providing them with academic counselors, mentors and making sure that they have the opportunity to take part in activities that provide exposure to life-changing opportunities.

It's no surprise that graduates continue on to high ranking positions in the IDF and other high level professional fields.

"The world Jewish community brought the Ethiopians into the Land of Israel with a responsibility to help their absorption. Project 1460 is part of this responsibility so that all Ethiopian students can become productive, viable citizens." - Jane Sherman, Chair, Project 1460

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Your donation to the Federation's Annual Campaign makes a difference. ENP SPACE is supported by the Jewish Federation Annual Campaign through our overseas allocation. See page 7 for information about the 2018 Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga campaign. *See page 5 for Shiran's July program, A Thousand Years Journey – Ethiopian Jewry In Israel.*

ALEPH BET CHILDREN'S CENTER



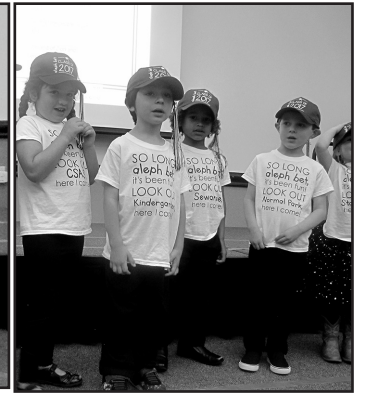
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The Bittersweet End of the School Year

The end of the school year is bittersweet for teachers. We have spent months waking up each morning with someone else's children on our brains. Heading in to work, we chant our mantras and make a game plan, ready to face a new day of challenges and victories. We check the forecast and dread the full moon more than any self-loathing werewolf. As caretakers, we often spend more waking hours with a child than their parents, and are able to chart growth more accurately than a pediatrician. So when the end of May rolls around, we cry and rejoice for the children we've come to love so much.

This school year has flown by especially fast for me as I've adjusted to my new role as AB Director. To all those who've stopped by to say hi, called to chat, made donations, dropped off art supplies, books, and toys—thank you. My first year leading the school has been successful, because I have the support of an entire, loving community behind me.

Congratulations to Aleph Bet's Class of 2017!



 Aleph Bet Children's Center, a program of the Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga, aims to provide an educational, interactive and developmentally appropriate preschool program that is enriched by Jewish traditions and values and implemented by a trained, dedicated, and nurturing staff.

Aleph Bet is recognized by the State of Tenn. for its commitment to good health

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