



JOSEPH AND HARVEY MEYERHOFF FAMILY CHARITABLE FUNDS

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MESSAGE FROM TERRY

Welcome to our Fall newsletter. We have had a busy spring and summer as you will read here. We launched a new scholarship program in Baltimore and we are about to open the long awaited Beersheva Performing Arts Center in Israel which houses the 450 seat Meyerhoff Hall. We also opened a new 250 seat film theatre at the Jerusalem Cinamateque and new playgrounds have been completed in Northern Israel with our assistance.

Around the office we have

been purging and cleaning files to streamline our record keeping. This was a tough task completed by Misty and Buffy. In other office news Dad and I have new assistants. My new assistant, Stephanie Yates is also the editor of this newsletter. From now on, please send updates, family news, etc. to her at: stephanie@magnajm.com.

Stephanie comes to us with a strong marketing background and is a graduate of Maryland Institute College of Art. She is also a mom to two boys and

lives in Sudbrook Park. We are glad to welcome Stephanie to our team. Dad's new assistant Theresa Manke comes to us from St. Joseph's Hospital Foundation and has had a long career in non profits and as a volunteer. We welcome both to our staff!

PS: You'll notice in the upcoming pages that we're experimenting with our newsletter format—Please send us your feedback!

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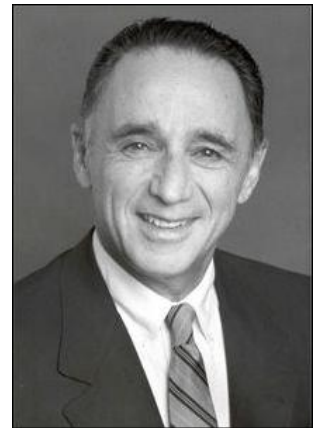
We are pleased to share the news that the Katz family has made a gift to endow and name the Herbert D. Katz Center for Advanced Jewish Studies (CAJS) at University of Pennsylvania. Their endowment is the single largest gift the Center has received since its inception.

Uncle Herb and Aunt Ellie were long time sup-

porters of the Center for Advanced Jewish Studies, with Uncle Herb serving as chair of the board and as a SAS overseer. CAJS today is a credit to his hard work, energy and endless optimism. The Center is considered to be the crowning jewel of U Penn's effort to enhance Jewish learning locally and globally and is the only institution in the

world devoted exclusively to post-doctoral research on Jewish civilization.

When asked about her family's generous endowment to the CAJS Aunt Ellie replied, "We could think of no better way to honor Herb's memory than to forever link his name with the Herbert D. Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies."



Herbert D. Katz

FAMILY NEWS

JCC HONORS JOSEPH MEYERHOFF

The family was delighted to attend the JCC's inaugural celebration of induction to the Baltimore Jewish Hall of Fame, with Joseph Meyerhoff as one of its honorees this June. Inductees honored came from many diverse fields and contributed

to Baltimore and the world in many remarkable ways. Beth Mayers, JCC Chairman of the Board, said, "Each Hall of Fame honoree exemplifies what is possible when you follow your dreams. By celebrating the accomplishments of the past we give future

generations a vision for how they can direct their talents and energies into making a difference in the world."

PEARLSTONE CENTER

We are pleased to note that the Pearlstone Center was featured in the Sierra Club's Faith in Action report this summer. The Pearlstone Center, developed by our cousin Richie Pearlstone in honor of his parents—a State certified Green Center just outside Baltimore—serves as hospitality venue to promote inter-group and interfaith exchange and to further the

educational, social service and charitable missions of other non-profit, religious and charitable organizations all while promoting, modeling and operating a bio-sustainable life style.

Pearlstone's Baltimore Jewish Environmental Network (BJEN) assists community organizations in the process of "greening their own opera-

tion." Pearlstone, Kayam Farm at The Center and BJEN work to reconnect people with their food and with the earth and both are supported by family funds.

FUNDS NEWS

GALILA PLAYGROUND UPDATE

Three new play grounds have been installed in Northern Israel Kibitzes with Family Funds by Galila—The Northern Galilee Development Foundation, giving children and families in Israel with low socio-economic status, and in isolated communi-

ties much needed recreation facilities. The three new locations are: Kefar Yuval, Kibbutz Hanita and Kibbutz Metzuva. Previously, The Funds provided funding for three other playgrounds and the renovation of nine youth centers.



Children enjoying a newly installed Galila playground

PASSPORT: AFTER SCHOOL CULTURAL PROGRAM UPDATE

In our last “Funds News”, we wrote about a pilot program being developed by the Funds called Passport. As a byproduct of family members desire to find more ways to connect our City’s children to our cultural institutions, we piloted a weekly after-school program in Winter-Spring 2008 with Baltimore Museum of Art, the Reginald F. Lewis Museum and the Family League of Baltimore City (FLBC).

In June 2008, Terry and Buffy met with the organizational partners in the Passport Pilot to review the program results and the future of the initiative. The meeting included staff from the Family League and the two museums who hosted the programs.

The meeting gave partners the opportunity to candidly review the program together. Although there were many valuable aspects to the program, many desired outcomes and goals could not be achieved for myriad reasons: scheduling problems, transportation factors, interest/motivation among students and their families posed real constraints on goal achievement.

With sincere appreciation for the time and effort that our partner organizations provided, after the meeting, the Funds determined we will not be continuing with the Passport program in Fall 2008.

Having taken a step back to process the results of this pilot, as funders, we realize our strength is not in creating

and implementing programs. We believe we should fund existing programs and services and/or intermediaries who connect to community wide services.



Passport participants at the Reginald F. Lewis museum

THE ICJS BUNTING-MEYERHOFF CENTER



The new ICJS Bunting-Meyerhoff building

Renovations are complete and the Institute for Jewish and Christian Studies Bunting – Meyerhoff Center now has a home in Towson on Dulaney Valley Road. The new building houses a study center, offices

and a new art collection. Stop by for a tour or visit: www.icjs.org for a schedule of events.

CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE MOVES ON



Last year, Buffy Minkin spearheaded a group we called the Baltimore Cultural Roundtable to figure out how to get principals and teachers more strongly engaged with the City’s vast cultural offerings. Together with Arts Every Day, a new organization

funded by the Ford Foundation, we hosted meetings with the providers and focus groups with principals and we learned a lot in the process. After a year of successful meetings, Arts Every Day has taken over the roundtable and will continue to provide ways

for cultural institutions and schools to interact. We are proud that our Family Funds paved the way for this fabulous new partnership. Groups represented monthly were the Maryland Zoo, the National Aquarium, The Baltimore Museum of Art, The Walters Art Gallery and the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra as well as representatives of the Transportation Alliance and the Baltimore City Public School System.

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

CENTRAL SCHOLARSHIP BUREAU LAUNCHES MEYERHOFF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

We are pleased to announce that the Maryland Meyerhoff Scholarship Program has awarded it’s first scholarships to 14 college sophomores attending Maryland public colleges. Recipients are students from middle class Maryland families and must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and have an adjusted gross income of less than \$150,000. Grants will be awarded in junior and senior years as well, if the student maintains a GPA of at least 3.0. Another \$7,000 will be awarded to pay down student loan debt should

the scholarship recipient graduate with GPA of 3.0 or higher.

“This gift is extraordinary commitment to middle-income families who just earn enough to be disqualified for financial aid,” said Larry Kamanitz, president of the Bureau’s board of directors.

Terry adds, “We couldn’t be more pleased with the quality of the students or the management of the organization. We look forward

to many Joseph and Harvey Meyerhoff Scholars in the future.”



CSB Meyerhoff Scholars

TERRY'S ISRAEL TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Terry had two amazing trips to Israel this year, in March and July. Her July trek was made even more rewarding by the accompaniment of her daughter, Buffy Minkin, sister, Lee Hendler and Lee's boyfriend, Rich Lowitz. Says Terry, "It was wonderful to see Israel through the eyes of family members. They got a

chance to share the tremendous pride I experience when reviewing our programs and projects."

Beersheva Theatre opens September 28, 2008. After nearly six years of construction set backs and financial issues, Beersheva will open the new center for Performing Arts built with funds

from the city, the Israel Lottery and our Family Funds.

For complete copy of her Trip notes, please contact Stephanie Yates (stephanie@magnajm.com).



The new Meyerhoff Hall at Cinemateque



Buffy with Yael Borovich at the Meyerhoff Children's Art Center at the Tel Aviv Museum



Lee, Rich, Buffy and Terry holding letters from a sign at BGU that need to be re-glued



*Vallery, Mayor of Regional Council and Terry
All of our playground renovations and youth club facilities are located in Mayor Vallery's region of Israel. Terry has known Vallery since the creation of the Israel Mayors forum in 1996*

DREAM TEAM UGANDA

In one of those unbelievable coincidences, while we were in Israel in July, Lee mentioned to Jeff Kaye, (from JAFI), her upcoming trip to Uganda to visit Rabbi Gershon Sizoma in Abayudaya. The Rabbi's dream was to outfit his boys in full soccer uniforms. Jeff suggested that Lee contact Moshe Theumin and Dream boys, a program supported by our family funds many years ago. All Lee wanted was to buy soccer uniforms and cleats at a discount to bring with her. After the phone call, Moshe and the Dream boys team donated 30 uniforms, balls and bags for her to take to Uganda with the promise of a coach from the HaPoel Youth Initiative to follow.



Rich and helpers distribute soccer uniforms and equipment to the boys in Abayudaya, Uganda