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A Message from the Head of School



Good things happen when parents are involved with their children's education. A recent study (Conway and Houtenville, 2008) of 10,000 8th graders from both public and private schools confirms that there is a direct, positive correlation between parental involvement and increased student achievement.

What is unique about the study is that it suggests that there is a qualitative difference between direct involvement with **school** as opposed to direct involvement with **children**. Direct interaction, speaking to children about their school day and actually working with them and supervising them as they do their homework, for instance, has a more profound effect on children's achievement than volunteering on a school project. Parents can help their children succeed in school by:

- Talking with children about what they are learning in class.
- Attending class presentations and interscholastic games.
- Ascertaining their children's interests and frequently discussing them with their children.
- Attending school meetings.
- Volunteering at school. A parent's mere presence in school can increase student achievement.

An interesting finding of the study indicates that parental involvement/interaction tends to diminish as a school's academic resources increase. Ironically, potential student improvement, generated by increased school resources, is often negated by less parental involvement. Another finding of note indicates that parents tend to spend more time at dinner speaking with their daughters about school than they spend with their sons. The study posits that girls tend to be more communicative, hence it is easier for parents to speak with their daughters about school.

We do not wish to discourage parents from volunteering and working on behalf of our school. Every Hillel Day School student directly benefits from the work of our dedicated parent volunteers. Indeed, we could not continue to be an outstanding school without the efforts of our parents. However, parents must maintain a sense of balance when it comes to engaging in school activities, focusing their primary, school-related efforts on the learning process. Judicious volunteerism combined with scrupulous attention to student performance will enhance our school while guarantying our children's academic success.

Rabbi Samuel J. Levine
Head of School



Congratulations to Benjamin Gurvitch (4th grade), Jordana Kimelman (5th grade), Simcha Stadlan (4th grade) and Maya Borzak (4th grade) for winning the Chanukah Card Design Competition (artwork pictured above).

Save These Dates:

Super Sunday - March 15, 2009

Annual Golf Tournament - March 30, 2009



The Hillel Day School Emergency Hotline number is 866-544-5535. Please keep this number handy so that you can access school opening or closing information in the event of any emergency, weather or otherwise.

What's Happening...



What's Happening in Judaic Studies?

By: Hadassah Smolarcik, Judaic Studies Coordinator

In honor of Parshat Noach, Rabbi Shai Ovadia and the B'not Sherut created a "Teiva" and even brought Noach and his family to visit. The students were entertained by Rabbi Shai, AKA Noach, and his collection of live creatures.



On the 11th day of Cheshvan, we commemorated the "Yom Petirah" of Rachel Imeinu. In Israel, many thousands of people arrange to go and visit Kever Rachel on this day. Here, at HDS, Morah Gali Nadav and the B'not Sherut

performed a beautiful play and dance that explained why Hashem listens to the Tefillot of Rachel when she defends the Jewish people.



Morah Tzippy's 2nd grade completed Parshat Lech Lecha (see bottom right) with a very special "Siyum." Parents were invited to come and listen to their children sing and create a beautiful t-shirt with the map of Eretz Yisrael, since Hashem promised Avraham that his children would inherit the land of Eretz Yisrael.

To kick off Chanukah and bring in song and joy, Shooby Doob Shloimy put on a performance with the students in 1st through 3rd grades. The Cafetorium was packed with parents, grandparents and many guests as the students sang their hearts out to the wonderful and original compositions of Shooby Doob.

For the days of Chanukah, the B'not Sherut coordinated different programs with the theme of the letters on the Sevivon. Students made candles (Nun for Neiros), had a scavenger hunt (Gimmel, Gilui Haness, publicizing the miracle), put on a skit (Hei for Hatzagah, performance) and made Sufganiot (Shin for Shemen). Along with these fun-filled activities in school, teachers hosted activities in the evening. Morah Tzippy Snir, Rabbi Gabi Snir, Morah Gali Nadav and Rabbi Shai Ovadia invited the students to share and celebrate after school.

The Chidon Parshiot is underway. This is an optional program for students in 1st through 5th grades to review the Parshiot of Chumash Bereishit and to participate in the contest, which will be held in March.

Students in 8th grade are busy compiling the yearbook. If you are interested in putting in an ad to congratulate the graduates or are interested in purchasing a yearbook, please call Hadassah Smolarcik at ext. 130.



Musical Memories



Members of the Florida Intergenerational Orchestra visited HDS music classes. Maurice Kelhoffer, violinist and concertmaster, and Susan Feldman, cellist, joined conductor and violist, Lorraine Marks, in demonstrating their instruments. The musicians taught the students about the "String Orchestra Family" and treated the classes to performances of Jewish, classical and popular music. The students had an opportunity to ask questions about the instruments and music. Many expressed an interest in playing a musical instrument. For more information about the orchestra you may visit their web site at www.fliao.org.

Parshat Lech Lecha

By: Tzippy Snir

The 2nd graders celebrated the completion of Parshat Lech Lecha with their parents. To mark this special occasion the children recapped the Parsha to the parent audience, while singing songs and watching presentations affiliated with the Parsha. The children did a great job and were very proud of their success. At the end of the performance the children were given a t-shirt that they decorated together with their parents, portraying the party's logo.





**ECE bids
farewell
and good
luck to
Mrs.
Marriott.**

**We will
miss
you!!!**



**The *Shofar Factory*
visited HDS in
preparation for
Rosh Hashanah.**



**Miss Rita amuses HDS students with
her storytelling skills and colorful
background props.**

The 3rd grade students visited the Menorah House to wish our older friends a SHANA TOVA. The children came armed with beautiful New Year cards and special treats. Their visit started with the 3rd grade singing Hebrew songs led by Rabbi Gabi Snir. The atmosphere was contagious as the audience joined in the singing and clapped their hands. Some guests were so inspired, that they got out of their seats and danced with the children! What a wonderful way to celebrate the New Year with our neighbors.



The KidSafe Program returned to HDS again this year teaching children valuable lessons about safety.



Upper School News

1st and 4th graders learning together, "Bechavruta."



Rabbi Shai's 4th grade class placed mezuzot on the lobby door.



Rabbi Efrem Goldberg of the Boca Raton Synagogue spoke to and inspired HDS Middle School students the day before Erev Yom Kippur.

See page 9 for more Middle School Happenings.

Middle schoolers welcomed Elijah as he visited his classmates during a special program held in his honor.



The 8th grade was educated about the plight of Jonathan Pollard by students from the Weinbaum Yeshiva High School. After learning about him and why his sentence is unfair, each student called the White House asking President Bush to pardon him.



A CHANUKAH FAIR TO REMEMBER

By: Dov Pickholtz & Meira Gross



The palpable anticipation that surrounds the opening of Chanukah presents matched the boundless enthusiasm that resounded at Hillel's annual PTA Chanukah Fair and Open House. Boasting one of the greatest turnouts in Hillel history—as prospective parents and current Hillel families entered the Milton B. Katz Campus in droves—the long-awaited December event was a grand success.

From activities for children of all ages to shopping venues and ample food options, this very special day offered something for everyone. Outside, the



front lawn was a hub of entertainment. Little ones flocked to the fair's first-ever petting zoo, giving a warm welcome to the many animal visitors, which included goats, bunnies, chicks, and more.



Squeals of joy emanated from the bounce house, rock climbing wall, and oversized inflatable slide as youngsters gleefully ran between the many stimulating activities. Toddlers and siblings in

need of some winding down time hopped aboard an all-time Chanukah Fair favorite, the trackless color-block train, which circled the carpool lanes in the Early Childhood parking lot. The PTA thanks Michele Dimont for her assistance arranging our outdoor fun.



With the much appreciated help of the B'hot Sherut, the PTA was also proud to introduce a Chanukah carnival, which was enjoyed by participants and student volunteers

alike. Bowling, a dreidel toss, and the chance to shoot some hoops were just a few of the welcome challenges. The Middle School volunteers skillfully handled the booths and prize tables, many remarking how rewarding it was to watch the smiling faces of their patrons. Out on the Haar Athletic Fields, students had a ball with Coach Moishe Aquart, who organized an amazing variety of sports activities.



And that's not all. While the sun was shining outside, the indoor Loewenstern Cafetorium radiated with excitement. Students enjoyed four choices of arts and crafts activities organized by Lisa Pinkis and Sara Smolensky, and Chanukah-grams personalized for delivery to friends. They also had the opportunity to learn about the benefits of recycling at a special booth organized by the 5th grade. Parents got a solid head start on their Chanukah gift hunt, thanks to a varied assortment of shopping stations: the Scholastic Book Fair, merchandise display by Boca Judaica, clothing showcase by Elzee's of North Miami Beach, swimwear collection display by Mira Clothes—hosted by Liat Bensimon, jewelry tables run by Linda Freedman and Hillel's very own Gail Marcus, and a Diabolo exhibit organized by the Louis family. Adults considering home improvements did some



real 'window shopping' with an informative exhibit about shades, blinds, and flooring by Discount Mike, owned and operated by Hillel parents Jordan and Chani Katz. In addition, a PTA table featured the latest in HDS couture, including HDS sportswear and the recently introduced HDS Klipped Kippot.



When it was time to refuel from shopping and playing, Cook Extraordinaire Steve Lugerner's heavenly hotdogs and Express Caterers of Boca's fantastic falafel really hit the spot, supplemented with french fries and ice-cold beverages. Dessert and snack options abounded as well and included

the highly popular Sno-Kones, sufganiyot (jelly doughnuts, also from Express Caterers), popcorn, and refreshing favorites from the Gelato Shoppe.

Prospective parents enjoyed informative tours of the campus from Rabbi Samuel J. Levine, Head of School and Chayim Dimont, Lower School Principal and Early Childhood Director, who gave them a glimpse into the quality Jewish education their children can receive at Hillel. Parents were also impressed by Hillel's beautiful fields and its gym construction.



The day concluded with the annual raffle, with winners receiving everything from store gift certificates and South Florida attraction tickets to complimentary salon services and more.

We thank all of our vendors for contributing such generous prizes. The PTA commends Sara Goldberg for taking the lead in finding these vendors and Rosa Golish for coordinating their raffle donations. While the day offered much fun and prizes, it also provided other rewards—the joy that comes with giving back to the community. As children kept busy, adults fulfilled a very important mitzvah by donating blood. Thank you to Beth Janock for arranging for this opportunity. Parents also donated unopened toys and games to Chai Lifeline.

The day also typified the sense of commitment that permeates Hillel's student and parent body. The dedication of the many student volunteers was greatly appreciated and the



PTA applauds Rina Lanner for coordinating this effort. In addition, countless parents assumed shifts at the ticket booths and fair venues. We thank you so much for your support and, in particular, would like to mention Liora Adler and Lisa Houben for recruiting volunteers and arranging schedules. Most importantly, a hearty yasher koach to the Chanukah Fair co-chairs: Simone Broide, Devorah Marcus and Tammy Pickholtz. We are so sincerely grateful to you for organizing such a spectacular day. Hope to see you all again next year!

What's Cooking at the PTA

Extreme Culinary Makeover: PTA Edition

By: Emily Rosenstein

As the aroma of hot roasted nuts and spiced cider permeated the air, dozens of inspired cooks gathered for Hillel PTA's annual cooking demonstration. With seasoned chefs/caterers Karen Abir, Lauren Bakst, and Lowil Stoller leading the creation of fresh, inventive Thanksgiving dishes, eager food enthusiasts were tantalized by the scrumptious tastings of roasted corn soup, Cajun turkey, and quinoa stuffing. Not only did participants benefit from the culinary expertise of our hostesses, but many also enjoyed the excitement of impressive raffle prizes—including free personal training sessions, salon gift cards, and more. All evening long, attendees feasted on fun!

Special thanks to Karen Abir, Elaine Aiken, Lauren Bakst, Rosa Golish, Marci Herman, Leah Louis and Lowil Stoller, whose hard work made this event a great success. We also commend Aliza Bar Chaim on an inspiring Dvar Torah.

Susie Fishbein's "Kosher by Design Lightens Up," the sixth in her renowned series of cookbooks, presents a plethora of scrumptious, healthy recipes. On sale for \$30 through the PTA. Please contact Sabrina Romano at 561-395-2260 for more information.

PICTURE THIS

Smiling faces of Hillel students graced the scene on Picture Days, held in November. Special thanks to Aviva Bierly, Mirta Brown, Gilah Danino, Sharon Fein, and Joyce Muller for coordinating with TSS Photography.



Expect to enjoy more snapshots of Hillel students with five video cameras and six digital cameras recently purchased by the PTA for use by our teachers.

KLIPPED KIPPAHS



For boys who love to run, jump, and play sports, Klipped Kippahs provide the optimal way to secure your kippah. On sale for \$15, these uniquely designed kippot feature built-in clips and have been customized for HDS. Supplies are limited. To order, please contact Sharon Kay at sharonakay@mac.com or 561-212-6352, or see Susan Herr at the front desk. Proceeds benefit the PTA.

BROADENING HORIZONS: PTA Educational & Cultural Pursuits

LIFE IN A JAR

In a powerful commemoration of the 70th anniversary of Kristallnacht (Night of Broken Glass), Hillel Day School and Donna Klein Jewish Academy sponsored "Life in a Jar," a theatrical presentation of the story of Irena Sendler—a Polish Catholic social worker who saved 2,500 children from the Warsaw Ghetto. Held at Zinman Hall in early November, the event drew in students from its sponsoring schools, as well as their parents and members of the broader community.

Hoping to give their children the gift of life, Jewish parents in the Warsaw Ghetto entrusted their young ones to Ms. Sendler, whose 24-person underground network rescued the youths and placed them in orphanages, foster homes, convents and other safe houses. The title of the play, "Life in a Jar," while also conveying a powerful figurative meaning, referring literally to the jar in which Ms. Sendler placed the names of every child she rescued. She buried the jar beneath an apple tree, believing that she would someday return to dig it up, locate the children, and reveal to them their true identities.

"Life in a Jar" originated nearly a decade ago, when a group of high school students from Kansas learned of Ms. Sendler's heroism and made her inspiring story the subject for a history project. Today, an enhanced version of "Life in a Jar," also the work of its original creators, has been hosted by approximately 270 communal organizations in the U.S. and abroad and seen by over 50,000 people. Proceeds from the performances benefit the Life in a Jar Foundation, which provides financial support to Polish rescuers of Jews.

The PTA was honored to contribute \$500 to help make this event possible. We commend Sandra Lilienthal for her dedicated efforts in coordinating the production and encouraging the participation of Hillel Middle School students. To learn more about the Life in a Jar Foundation, please visit www.irenasendler.org.

DROP 'N LEARN

Infuse your morning with the spirit of learning. The PTA is pleased to remind you about our ongoing Drop 'N Learn education classes. Sessions begin immediately after 8:15 a.m. drop off and are held in the conference room near the front desk. No sign up or commitment necessary.

Rabbi Smolarcik: Mondays

Parsha for Parents

Torah-Based Parenting Paradigms from A Psychosocial Perspective

Rabbi Bar Chaim: Tuesdays

The more things change, the more they stay the same.

Learn how ethics and guidance of our Sages have eternal relevance.

For more information, contact Liora Adler at 561-750-4248 or liora00@yahoo.com.

WEE MOZARTS

Watch your tot march to the beat of his/her own drum at weekly music classes led by Hillel Music Director Lorraine Marks. This innovative course is designed to teach music appreciation to children ages 12-24 months.

Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m., Room 1215

\$150 for 8 sessions or \$18 per individual session

For more information, please contact Ana Haar at 561-447-4586. Space is limited so be sure to enroll soon!

The PTA would like to acknowledge Laura Feinberg for all her hard work organizing this year's Scholastic Book Fair. Her unwavering commitment and determination made the fair a tremendous success.

With Praise, Thanks, & Admiration...

Thank you to those students and families who have been turning in their Box Tops and utilizing Box Top's online marketplace. With your help, the PTA has raised \$3,200 for Hillel Day School. Special congratulations to our raffle winners:

- Shira Ben Shimon, 1c-September
- Oliver Solomon, 7b-October
- Jeffrey Herr, 8a-November
- Justin Isaacs, 2b-December



To be entered into the PTA's monthly Box Tops raffle, be sure to write your name and class on the back of any Box Tops you turn in.

Thank you to ASPA CLARIA BOCA JUDAICA for generously providing \$10 gift certificates for our winners.

Want to learn more about how to use Box Tops Marketplace and help raise money for our school? Contact Sharon Kay at sharonakay@mac.com or 561-212-6352 for quick and easy instructions. You can also check out the Box Tops for Education website at <http://www.boxtops4education.com/>.



It wasn't hard to "pin" down students excited by this year's PTA Chanukah treats, which included a box of candles, chocolates, and a coupon to Strikes@Boca. Coordinating this year's goodies were Simone Broide and Naomi Shapiro, who did a wonderful job.

With great admiration for her dedication and diligent work, the PTA wishes farewell and continued success to **Janice Marriott** and the entire Marriott family. Janice has been an invaluable member of the PTA for four years, most recently serving as PTA president. We proudly welcome PTA Board member **Sharona Kay** as the new PTA president.

<p>Do you have suggestions for new activities that students, parents, faculty, and/or our administration could enjoy? Have you thought of ways to enhance existing programs? We can't wait to hear from you! Please contact PTA President Sharon Kay at sharonakay@mac.com with your ideas. Learn more about volunteer opportunities that suit your interests and find out how you can make a difference.</p>	<p>Remember to bring your full Hillel Day School Tzedakah boxes to Susan Herr at the front desk. To obtain a Tzedakah box, please call Ana Haar at 561-447-4586.</p>
	<p>Honor someone you know with personalized Tribute Cards from the PTA. For more information, please contact Dvora Scher at dvora@dwpalaw.com.</p>



TEACHER APPRECIATION

ROSH CHODESH BREAKFASTS

The Torah teaches us that Rosh Chodesh is a mini-festival, to be celebrated with the sound of trumpets and special sacrifices. Sponsoring a Rosh Chodesh breakfast is a great way to recognize Hillel's teachers and staff, while cultivating a joyous atmosphere to start the month off just right. For information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact Cara Freedman at 561-750-3132. To help with shopping or setting up the breakfasts, please call Naomi Shapiro at 561-477-5279.

We thank those families whose generosity helped make the Rosh Chodesh breakfasts possible, and congratulate all of our honorees.

Welcome Back Breakfast

Agami, Muller and Friedman families, in honor of all teachers and staff.

Bensmihen family, in honor of the 2nd and 4th grades.

Cheshvan

Agami, Gabor and Muller families, in honor of all teachers and staff.

Scher family, in honor of Kindergarten and 1st grade teachers.

Schechter family, in honor of Rabbi Gabi Snir and Pam Bralow.

Slotnick family, in honor of Rebecca Gross and Chayim Dimont.

Tansman family, in honor of all faculty in tribute of Dean's Bar Mitzvah.

Shvat

Agami family, in honor of all teachers and staff.

Bensmihen family, in honor of the 2nd and 4th grades.

Muller family, in honor of Rabbi Gabi Snir and Emily Rosentsein.

The PTA extends its gratitude to Cara Freedman, Sharon Fein, Sandra Lilienthal, Janice Marriott, Joyce Muller and Naomi Shapiro for their detailed planning of the breakfasts, as well as the numerous parent volunteers who assumed a hands-on role at these events.

Thank you to Lauren, Atida (8A), and Leora Bakst (KB) for packaging a healthful 'breakfast on the go' for our teachers during November parent-teacher conferences.

The PTA expresses heartfelt appreciation to the many Hillel families who participated in this year's Chanukah gift to our faculty and staff. Also thank you to Cara Freedman and Sharon Fein for their coordination of this project.

HDS EMET CLUB WINNERS

Excellent
Midot
Every
Time

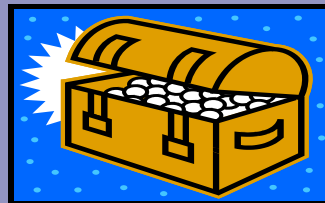
KINDERGARTEN

- Liora Bakst
- Shira Bar-Chaim
- Talia Ben-Zikry
- Judah Berman
- Eliana Broide
- Joseph Cohen
- Zachary Cohen
- Sara Danino
- Yosef Fruhman
- Hadass Gerlitz
- Yosef Golish
- Ariella Gross
- Yonina Kaminetzky
- Aiden Kaner
- Arye Kovack
- Alex Lurie
- David Matheson
- Ashira Meyerowitz
- Dalya Pickholtz
- Yosef Scher
- Talia Shapiro
- Yarden Shneor
- Eitan Snir
- Jake Statlander

LOWER SCHOOL

- Lizzy Adler
- Eliza Aiken
- Jolie Aloof
- Dahlia Barrocas
- Isabella Berkeley
- Noah Bernten
- Shoshana Epstein
- Batya Fruhman
- Hilla Gerlitz
- Leah Golberg
- Meira Golberg
- Atara Goldberg
- Talia Gritzman
- Halle Hartman
- Carmel Henschel
- Justin Isaacs
- Ty Kay
- Jacob Levinrad
- Coby Light
- Tamar Lilienthal
- Abigail Linker
- Tani Loskove
- Liora Louis
- Yoni Louis
- David Lugassy
- Noah Mamann
- Avi Muller
- Alaina Schiffman
- Ashley Schiffman
- Justin Wolff
- Yahel Zamosh

**MAZAL TOV TO
ALL OF THE
WINNERS!**

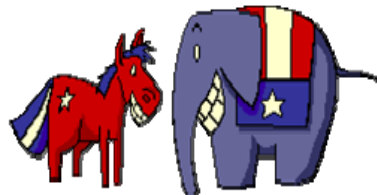


4th grade students in Mrs. Weinstock's class had a big Chanukah party. It was a chocolate and candy celebration! The theme of the party was, "Chocolate is Sweet but to Give is Sweeter." Each child brought in a toy to donate to JAFCO children so their Chanukah could be special too!

Student Council Officers 2008-09



President/Vice President



**8th Grade Class Representatives
Yonina Loskove & Maya Saketkhou**

**7th Grade Class Representatives
Lilly Katz & Daniel Mizrahi**

**6th Grade Class Representatives
Moshe Markowitz & Daniel Rombro**

Mazal Tov to the winners and thanks to everyone who ran for office.



Treasurer



Secretary



**Life
In A
Jar**

"Life In A Jar" project co-founder Megan Stewart and her brother Travis (top), explain the Irena



Sendler story to HDS students. A replica of Elzbieta Ficowska's silver spoon was passed around for students to see. Elzbieta was brought out of the Warsaw Ghetto at the age of 5 months by Irena. A traveling play depicting the life of Sendler was co-sponsored by Hillel Day School and Donna Klein Jewish Academy.

HDS Happenings

Our Middle School students and children from Chai Lifeline joined together at Boomer's for a Chanukah extravaganza.



The Middle School students of the National Honor Society introduced KAR²E to our 4th and 5th graders.



Giving Thanks at Thanksgiving



Chanukah: Festival of Lights



Intergenerational Concert directed by Lorraine Marks



Boys Soccer Scores Stellar Season



By: Coach Moishe Aquart

The boys soccer team ended the season on a winning note. With their first winning season, a record of 4-2, and almost making the play-offs, the boys played their best season yet and hopefully will compete as a top team in future seasons. The main goal scorers were Joseph Trachtenberg, Evan Dolgow, and Adam Matheson. Andy Agus held two clean sheets (scoreless wins) with Ethan Harris establishing himself as the future goalkeeper. Evan Dolgow, Seth Fisher, Ari Clements and Or-El Ben-Shimon lead a strong defense and showed character throughout the season. The soccer program is getting stronger each year and promises to produce a championship season soon.

Hornet Hoops Finish Strong



By: Coach Derrick Milton

Everyone on the 7th and 8th grade girls basketball team had the opportunity to contribute to the successful and fun season. The Hornets finished the season with 4 wins and 2 losses, and those losses were against the top teams in Broward and Palm Beach counties. All in all, it was a fun and successful season.

As the team coach, the best part of the season for me was seeing the girls studying and doing their homework on the bus to and from the games. They really take their studies seriously and I was happy to see that. I couldn't have asked for a more fun or happier group to have the privilege to coach. With the returning 7th graders, next season looks like it's going to be another great one.



Boys Flag Football Team 2008



Girls Volleyball Team 2008



Head of School, Rabbi Samuel J. Levine, inaugurates the new basketball court by shooting the first basket.



**IF YOU BUILD IT, THEY WILL COME!
Evolution of our New Gymnasium**



Breaking ground.



Hard hat tour.



Construction underway.



7th graders take a peek.



Bird's eye view.



Photo as of 1/8/09

If you are interested in learning about naming opportunities available in the new gymnasium please contact the Development office at 561-470-5000 ext. 225.

Editor's Note: Sandra Lilienthal was inadvertently omitted from the Executive Committee listing in the *Annual Report*. We regret this error.

Bench Naming Opportunity



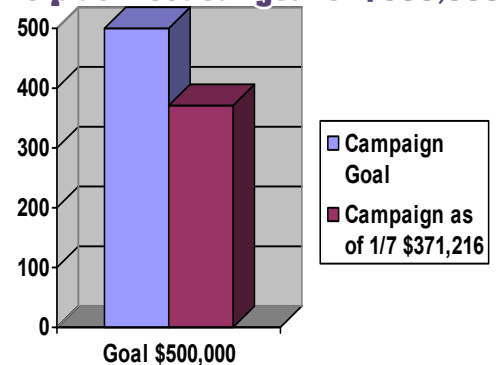
Please consider sponsoring a beautiful bench in honor or in memory of those you love. Each bench will be personalized with a bronze-engraved plaque. Please contact Suzanne Rice, Director of Development, at 561-470-5000 or e-mail suzanner@hilleldayschool.org.

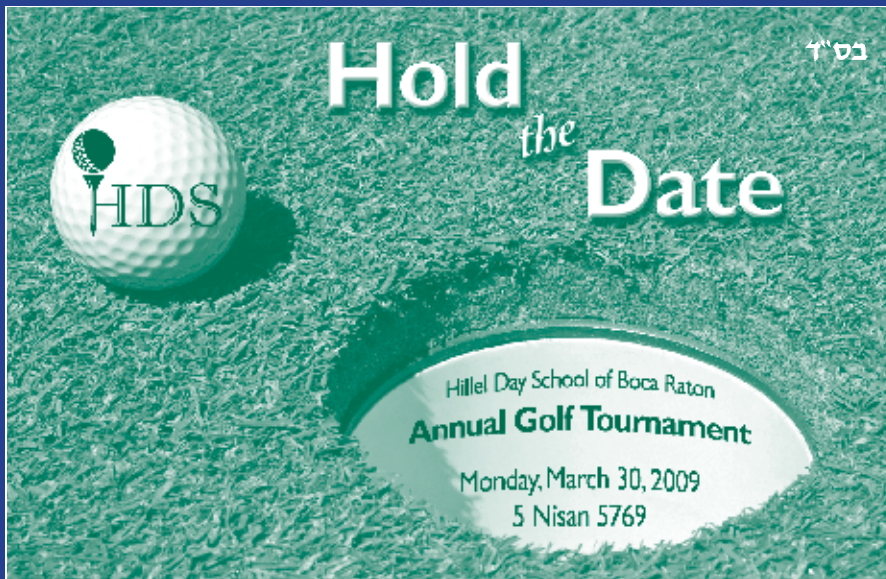
Thanks to everyone who made this year's Annual Journal Event a success! Look for the recap in the next Hillel Herald...

CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CAMPAIGN

You can help us reach our goal by using the enclosed donation envelope to contribute to our Annual Fund and ensure a Jewish education for those in need.

Help us meet our goal of \$500,000





Calendar At A Glance

February

- 9 ▫ Parent/Teacher Conferences, Grades 1-8, Evening - regular school day
- 9 ▫ Tu B'Shevat
- 10 ▫ Parent/Teacher Conferences, Grades 1-8, Day - no school for Grades 1-8 but ECE will have a regular school day
- 16 ▫ President's Day - school closed
- 20 ▫ End of Second Trimester

March

- 9 ▫ Fast of Esther
- 10 ▫ Purim - school closed
- 15 ▫ Jewish Federation's Super Sunday
- 30 ▫ Annual Golf Tournament @ Stonebridge CC

April

- 2 ▫ EC2-K Pesach Program for parents
- 7 ▫ Pesach Break begins - school closed through April 17
- 20 ▫ Classes Resume
- 21 ▫ Yom Hashoah
- 28 ▫ Yom Hazikaron
- 29 ▫ Yom Ha'Atzmaut

May

- 4 ▫ Parent/Teacher Conferences for EC in the evening. Regular school day for all grades.
- 4 - 8 ▫ SAT's
- 5 ▫ Parent/Teacher Conferences for EC during the day. ECE will not have class. Grades 1-8 will have a regular school day.
- 12 ▫ Lag B'omer
- 21 ▫ Yom Yerushalayim
- 25 ▫ Memorial Day - school closed
- 29 ▫ Shavuot - school closed

June

- 10 ▫ Kindergarten Graduation - last day of school for Kindergarten
- 11 ▫ 8th Grade Graduation - last day of school for 8th grade
- 12 ▫ End of third trimester - last day of school (noon dismissal)

Congratulations, Teachers of the Month

Mrs. Jodi Deichman
October
2008



Ms. Emily Rosenstein
December
2008



Rabbi Goldberg and HDS students celebrate the Festival of Lights at a Chanukah party held at the home of Moshe & Gali Nadav.

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Hillel Day School is a "Makom Torah," a place where Torah is studied. As such, dress should conform to what would be appropriate when visiting a synagogue.

