

In The Community

FRIDAY, AUG. 7

Vaudeville Concert with English/Hebrew singer/songwriter Oded Ben-Ami at the Java Jazz Café, 318 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Info.-439-1727.

Lights, Camera, Action! Jewish Girls Retreat 10-year anniversary and camp closing lunch and awards ceremony, open to women and girls, at Russell Sage College Social Hall, Troy, alumni reunion noon, lunch/ceremony 1 p.m. Adm., Res., Info.-Nechama Laber, 727-9581.

MONDAY, AUG. 10

Berkshire Jewish Film Festival "Blessed is the Match: The Life and Death of Hannah Senesh" documentary about captured Jewish female WWII paratrooper, 4 p.m.; "Noodle" drama about an Israeli woman bonding with a Chinese youth as they look for the boy's mother, 8 p.m., presented by Congregation Knesset Israel at the Duffin Theater, Lenox Memorial High School, 197 East St., Lenox, Mass. \$5/\$10, Res., Info-413-445-4872

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 12

Jewish Demographics will be the lunch and learn topic of Rabbi Scott Shepen at Temple Beth Emeth, 100 Academy Rd., Albany, noon. Info.-Deb Sokoler, 432-1392.

Congregation Shaara Tfilie Fund-Raiser-Yo-Yo Ma and the Philadelphia Orchestra concert at Saratoga Performing Arts Center, dessert reception at Hall of Springs to follow, 8 p.m. \$45/\$100, Res., Info.-Robin Fischer, 583-1712.

SUNDAY, AUG. 16

"The Yiddish Theater: A Love Story" documentary about New York City's Folksbiene Theatre, musical performance by Lynn Gross at Yiddish Night at the Nassau Synagogue and Jewish Community Center on Rt. 20, 7 p.m. \$5, Res., Info.-Lynn Gross, 732-4037

100 respond to help leukemia patient with local ties; kits available

ALBANY-One hundred people have responded to the call to save the life of a relative of a local family thus far. The bone marrow screening drive to help leukemia patient Jonathan Haupt drew 30 to a July 12 screening at Temple Israel and 64 to a July 24 screening at the Colonie Town Hall, reported Les Fisher, Temple Israel social action committee co-chairman.

Haupt is the nephew of Jerry and Sonya Goldman of Saratoga Springs and Israel and Katerina Tsvaygenbaum of Albany.

As results of the screenings are not available until one month after a sample collection, it is not yet known if a suitable donor has been found.

Information on obtaining screening kits by mail was dispersed at the July 26 Temple Israel/Red Cross blood drive. The event drew 41 blood donors including 19 first-timers, according to Amy Krenzel, drive chairwoman and social action committee co-chairwoman. They had expected 36 donors.

To obtain a marrow screening kit, visit www.giftoflife.org and enter code TeamHaupt.

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Playoffs for temples' softball teams begin this Sunday

ALBANY-The 2009 Tournament of the Temples softball league at the Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., has come down to the wire. The playoffs begin this Sunday, Aug. 9, with Congregation Beth Emeth (5-2) taking on Congregation Agudat Achim (6-1) and B'nai Sholom Reform Congregation (5-2) facing the Hebrew Academy of the Capital District (HACD) (4-3). Both games will begin at 3:30 p.m.

If Beth Emeth wins the contest, rescheduled from Aug. 2, they will be

white division champions and face blue division champs Agudat Achim again in the Aug. 16 championship game. Should Beth Emeth lose the Aug. 9 game and HACD win, the Hebrew Academy will face Agudat Achim for the title.

In games not postponed by rain Aug. 2, B'nai Sholom beat Congregation Ohav Shalom (1-6) 19-6 and HACD felled Temple Israel (0-7) 17-3.

The web site, visit www.leaguelineup.com/jccsoftball, can provide information.

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