

# Baytown Jewish Community News

MAY 2010

## In brief

### Way to go, Maggie

Congratulations to Maggie Davidson, who won first place in second grade spelling at the District 14A (Greater Houston Metro) Private School Inter-scholastic Association academic meet and then placed sixth in the state competition in Fort Worth. From her superior ratings in the local music festival, she also will compete in piano, art song and musical theater at the Texas Federation of Music Teachers State Festival May 24 in San Marcos.

### First-Friday service

Friday, May 7, 7:45 p.m.

### Still time to give

There's still time to make a contribution for the Hadassah yearbook patron's page. Please send your contribution to Jean or Gertrude.

### Can you spare a Tanakh?

Copies of the Hebrew bible (Tanakh) are needed for Jews and B'nei Noachs at the String-fellow Unit in Rosharon. If you would like to donate a copy to the Jewish library at String-fellow, please contact John Havenar.

### Freida on the mend

Freida Schikman continues to recover from her hip replacement. You can reach her at 713-456-6037.

### Yard sale?

If anyone is interested in holding a yard sale to support our shul restoration fund, please contact Janet Bright.

### Reuse news

To help in our effort to recycle, Jack and Lois Christy have donated 40 new dishrags to CKI. Mr. and Mrs. Christy are Janet Bright's mother and step-father, who live in Rhode Island.

## ..... Hadassah happenings .....

### New officers elected

Congratulations to the new slate of Hadassah officers elected at last month's business meeting: president/program vice president: Joan Linares; fundraising vice president: Shana Bauman; treasurer: Gertrude Teter; secretary: June Foster. The installation banquet will be held on Sunday, May 16, at 11:30 a.m. at the Community Building. Please RSVP to Shana at shana-bauman@yahoo.com or 281-576-6405.

### Yearbook time

It's May, which means it's time for Hadassah yearbook ad sales. Gertrude and I would like all members to participate in ad sales this year. This is our chief fundraising drive, and everyone knows what great projects Hadassah spearheads.

Last year my sister and I were fortunate enough to visit Israel and saw the hand of Hadassah at work in the Neurim village, a boarding school for at-risk youth. Also during that trip I had the surprise and pleasure of dining at the same table with Bonnie Lipton, former national Hadassah president. She assured me that the small chapters were the backbone and strength of the Hadassah organization.

Everyone please sell at least one ad. Con-

tact places where you do business, including your doctor and dentist. Together, we can make this a fabulous year. — Shana Bauman

### Jewish National Fund

Israel is still recovering from the many forests that were burned during the Hezbollah attacks. The Jewish National Fund also has added water conservation to its agenda. Please support these worthy goals by making out a check to Hadassah (JNF) and sending it to Shana Bauman, PO Box 376, Mont Belvieu TX 77580.

### Support Southwest seat

The Southwest Region of Hadassah is sending out an SOS for assistance. During its last region board meeting, it voted to purchase a seat in the new synagogue at the Sarah Wetsman Davidson Tower at a cost of \$36,000. This is a project of the new wing of the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem.

If you'd like to support this effort, please send a check to either our local chapter or the region office at 4545 Bissonnet, #280, Bellaire TX 77401. Our chapter will get credit for this contribution toward our Tower Goal.

## Kroger campaign coming soon

The Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor campaign is nearly upon us again. Please take the barcode below to Kroger after June 1. When the checker scans your Kroger card, have the person also scan the barcode. This will earn credits toward a donation for our synagogue in April 2011.

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**Kroger cashier:** Please scan customer's KrogerPlus Card at the beginning of the order, and then scan the above barcode. The customer's KrogerPlus Card is now enrolled in the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program