

STUDENTS SUPPORTING the Middle East



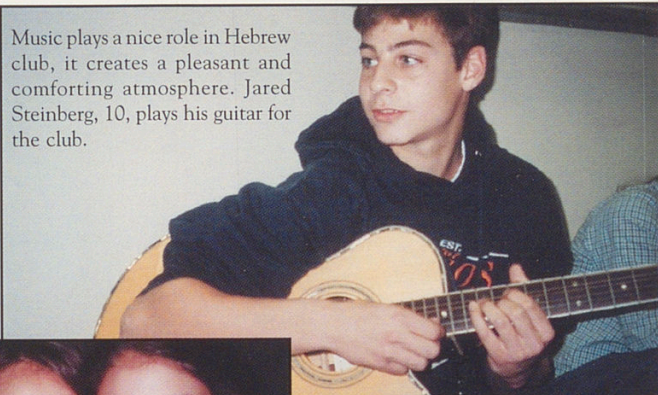
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Hebrew Club is a place like no other. It focuses on subjects in the Middle East and other problem areas in the world. With about 70 students of all ages and races, Hebrew Club also has been known for its great socializing and for its great food that is brought to every meeting."

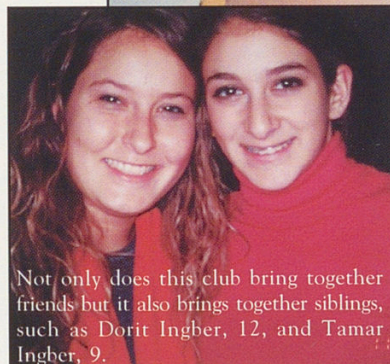
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This club includes not only students who are Jewish but students who have an interest in the Middle East and issues that need to be discussed with the future adults of America.

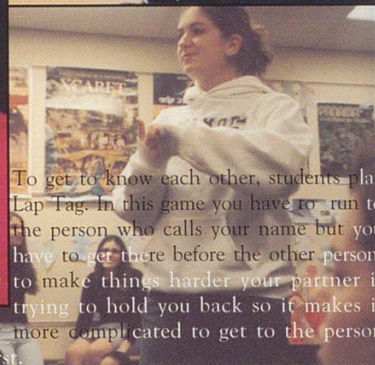
"It used to be called the Middle Eastern Club, but we changed it to Hebrew Club because every other Global Language class has a club so why be politically correct? Just because it is Hebrew Club it does not mean that other cultures and ethnic



Music plays a nice role in Hebrew club, it creates a pleasant and comforting atmosphere. Jared Steinberg, 10, plays his guitar for the club.



Not only does this club bring together friends but it also brings together siblings, such as Dorit Ingber, 12, and Tamar Ingber, 9.



To get to know each other, students play Lap Tag. In this game you have to run to the person who calls your name but you have to get there before the other person to make things harder your partner is trying to hold you back so it makes it more complicated to get to the person first.

groups are not allowed to join, it is fully open to everyone," said Seth Gildenblatt, 12.

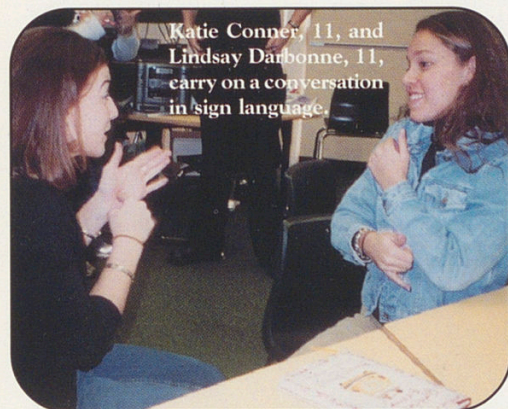
In the month of February Hebrew Club had another meeting that featured four Israelis, telling their feelings on the United States and asked our

feelings on Israel. This showed people how little Israel is and how much support it needs. They also put it into perspective for us, did you know that you could fit 6 Israelis into the USA?

By Carly Mandel

SILENT STUDENTS

You are walking down the Global Language hallways for the annual Deck the Halls event. Passing each classroom you hear the sounds of Spanish, French, and German languages. Suddenly, upon passing another classroom you do not hear a foreign tongue, just silence. That was the American Sign Language Club.



Katie Conner, 11, and Lindsay Darbonne, 11, carry on a conversation in sign language.

"I enjoy being able to communicate with my friends fluently in a language other than English,"

Lindsay Darbonne, 11

Providing cookies in the shape of the sign 'I Love You' the ASL club also taught signs to their Deck the Hall visitors.

"It was really fun teaching other people signs. It is really interesting to see them realize that ASL is a completely different language, not just miming," said Elissa Bookbinder, 12.

"My favorite event was making the Turkey hands because we had a great turn out and people were able to be creative," said Nicole Davis, 12.

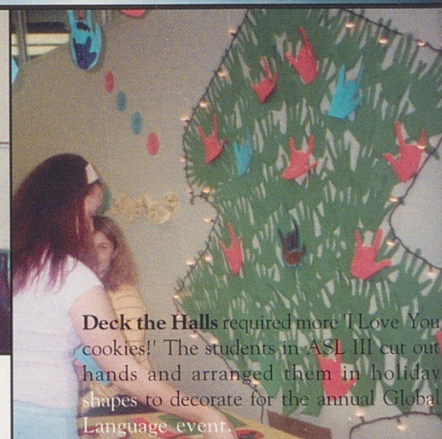
Though the club struggled to find a consistent day for meetings, the spirit to plan was there. "We planned to attend a basketball game at St. Rita's School for the Deaf and other events but some events did not happen because of the snow. However, those that did happen were tons of fun," said Nick Weber, 12.



I love you cookies baked in Ms. Deb Klempt's room one day after school. The largest turnout for the club, ASL students prepared the dough, cut out the cookies, and iced them. The cookies became the cultural food of the club!



"Remember," signs Mrs. Maggie Cobb-Wessling, club adviser and ASL teacher. She participated in the club activities with the students.



Deck the Halls required more 'I Love You' cookies! The students in ASL III cut out hands and arranged them in holiday shapes to decorate for the annual Global Language event.

By Molly Finn