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THE JCC BRINGS A SUNDAY SOCCER LEAGUE TO CHELTENHAM

The JCC/Kehillah Sunday Soccer League brings a second season of intramural soccer to Cheltenham, instructing boys and girls ages 4 through 13 in the basics of soccer. The fall 2002 season begins in September and runs through November with one Sunday game per week. This fall's league will include new pre-season team practices and coaching clinics taking place in August. Games will be played on the Mandell Campus in Elkins Park, PA.

From the very youngest players just learning the skills and rules of the game to experienced pre-teen players, the league offers boys and girls with all levels of experience an opportunity to play. Participants will learn game skills, game strategy, the importance of teamwork, cooperation, meet new friends and have fun. Jared Goldberg, age 7, who played in the league last season said, "I loved playing with friends from my school and meeting some new friends, especially my friend who is a great goalie." All children receive equal playing time regardless of skill.

"Last season was so successful, that we want to stick with what worked," commented Gary S. Freed, a parent and member of the soccer league committee. "The league decision to keep team sizes small allowed for increased playing time and more ball touches for every child. This resulted in livelier games that kept the children much more energized throughout the season."

The Sunday Soccer League is sponsored by the JCCs Klein Branch and the Kehillah of Old York Road. The JCCs Klein Branch is a founding member of the Kehillah of Old York Road, a partnership of synagogues, educational and social service agencies working together to strengthen the community. The Kehillah is a project of the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia.

Cost for fall 2002 is \$65 for the first child and \$55 for each additional child. Included in the fee is the cost of a uniform and achievement awards. For more information or to receive a registration form by mail, contact Gerri Kanas at 215-698-7300 or email gkanas@phillyicc.com. You can also register online at www.phillyicc.com/branches/kleinsoccerreg.html.

Walk-in registration will be held Tuesday, June 4 from 6:00-9:00pm at Beth Sholom Congregation in Elkins Park, during the Kehillah-sponsored "Dance for Israel" to benefit the Israel Emergency Fund.

The JCCs of Greater Philadelphia is a constituent agency of the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia and the United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania.