



Here's What's Happening At Hillel

Helping Build a Torah, One Stitch at a Time

On May 18, Jewish Ducks didn't just learn about tradition; they became part of it when Rabbis Linda Motzkin and Jonathan Rubenstein joined us at the house on Hillyard for an event with [Bread and Torah](#).

Under the guidance of *soferet* (scribe) Rabbi Motzkin, students and staff sewed together panels 33-35 of a Torah that's been pieced together by over 4,500 people around the world. It's not every day you get to say you helped build a Torah with your own hands!

Afterward, Rabbi Rubenstein led students through a hands-on Shavuot bread-baking workshop centered around "Seven Species" bread, inspired by the seven agricultural species historically associated with the Land of Israel.

Each student left with their own freshly baked loaf to enjoy during the holiday, along with a deeper understanding of how Jewish ritual and tradition can be experienced not only through study, but through baking, gathering together in community, and being a unique stitch in the incredible tapestry of Jewish peoplehood.

