



# THE CENTERPIECE

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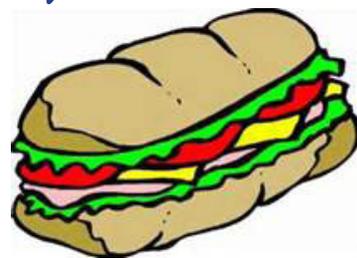
## Game Night & Deli

**Saturday, March 2, 2013**  
**7:00pm at the JCC**  
**\$9 per person**

Join us for this outrageously fun game night hosted by  
**David Zeidman (David Zeidman Entertainment, Inc.)**



Could it get any better? A fun night out with friends and a great deli dinner catered by Boscov ala Carte Catering. Test your knowledge on a wide range of topics. Invite your friends to share in the fun, too!



Please return reservation form by February 25 to Jewish Federation, PO Box 14925, Reading PA 19612  
or contact Jayne Kleinman ... Phone (610) 921-0624; email jayne@JFReading.org

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ attending **Trivia Game Night**  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ attending \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed at \$9 per person  
 Checks payable to Jewish Federation (511MAR) Credit card payment...MC, Visa, Discover...acct # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Exp. date \_\_\_\_\_ 3-digit code \_\_\_\_\_ Name on card \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

THE JEWISH CULTURAL CENTER OF READING  
invites you to join our 4-part film series

## CINEMA: THE JEWISH LENS

We guarantee you'll laugh,  
you'll cry, you'll think.

From Woody Allen to the Coen Brothers, and from *Gone with the Wind* to *The Godfather*, Jewish writers, actors, directors and producers have unabashedly interwoven Jewish wisdom, values, traditions and their unique sense of humor into some of the movies we love best.

<b>THE JEWISH PICTURE</b> Is there such a thing as a "Jewish" movie? FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1 <sup>ST</sup> , 2013	<b>AT FIRST SIGHT</b> Explore the nature of love and romance from a Jewish perspective. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8 <sup>TH</sup> , 2013
<b>THE COMEDY OF CONFLICT</b> Why are so many comedies built around conflict and pain? FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15 <sup>TH</sup> , 2013	<b>HEROES IN ACTION</b> What transforms ordinary people into great leaders? FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22 <sup>ND</sup> , 2013

Program will be held at: The Jewish Cultural Center, 1100 Berkshire Blvd., Suite 125, Wyomissing, PA 19610 Time: 11:00 am -12:15 pm. Complimentary lunch to follow.

RSVP by January 25: Contact Jayne: jayne@JFReading.org or 610.921.0624

Moderator: Claudia Strauss, M.A., M.Phil. Albright College

\*The program and lunch are underwritten by the Rubin Educational Fund of the Jewish Federation of Reading.

Cinema: The Jewish Lens Mini-Course takes you behind the scenes, introducing you to Hollywood stars, film critics, screen writers, professors, rabbis and Biblical scholars who shed light on the ancient wisdom and Jewish traditions that find expression in Hollywood, today.

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## Great Decisions 2013

March 5 through May 7  
Tuesday mornings 10:00 to 11:30 am  
At the JCC

\$35 one person, one book  
\$40 two persons, one book



Great Decisions is the name shared by a national civic-education program and publication of the Foreign Policy Association. Published annually, the Great Decisions briefing book highlights eight of the most thought-provoking foreign policy challenges facing Americans today. Great Decisions provides background information, current data, and policy options for each of the eight issues and serves as the focal text for our discussion groups.

### 2013 Discussion Topics:

- Future of the Euro
- Humanitarian Intervention
- Egypt
- Iran
- NATO
- China in Africa
- Myanmar & Southeast Asia
- Threat Assessment

To register or for more information please call Jayne Kleinman at 610-921-0624 or email jayne@jfreading.org

**EARLY EDUCATION**



**JCC Preschool Dinner & Winter Dance**  
**Wednesday, February 20**  
**5:30 to 7:30 pm**  
**\$5 per child; \$10 per adult; under 2 yrs. free**

Children ages 1 to 12 (with their parents) are invited to join in the fun of a "just for kids" dance party. Our DJ will have kids hopping with an energetic mix of kid's music & interactive games (prizes, too)!

Follow the Yellow Brick Road...join us in the Land of Oz... Dancing, Dinner, Games & Lots of Fun!!  
 Because our winter dance party is one of our most popular family events, advance registration is required. Please return this form with payment by February 13.

We will attend JCC Preschool Over the Rainbow Dance Party 170JAN  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 # adults \_\_\_\_\_ # children \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed  
 Check payable to Jewish Federation of Reading or credit card payment  
 Mastercard/Visa/Discover # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Exp Date \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_ (3 digit # on back of card)  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**JCC PURIM CARNIVAL & PJ LIBRARY BOOK EVENT**  
**Sunday, February 24**  
**12:15 to 2:00 pm**



Hot Dogs \* Prizes \* Popcorn  
 Cotton Candy \* Carnival Games \* Hamantashen

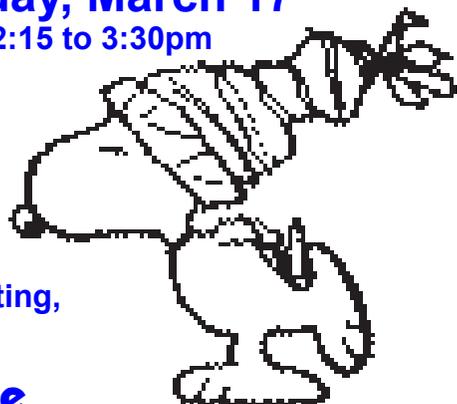
Admission to JCC Carnival is FREE  
 Purchase 25 cent tickets for food & games  
**Come in costume & get a free ticket!**

**PROGRAMS**

**YOUTH GROUP ICE SKATING**

2nd to 8th Grades

**Sunday, March 17**  
**12:15 to 3:30pm**



**\$12 includes ice skating, games & pizza at Body Zone**

Every child in the Jewish community is encouraged to participate in all youth events. Need-based scholarship funding is available. Call Sari Incledon at Jewish Family Service if your child would benefit from confidential assistance 610-921-0624

On bad weather days, closings & delays will be posted on the following websites by 7:30am:  
 [www.readingjewishcommunity.org](http://www.readingjewishcommunity.org) and [www.readingeagle.com](http://www.readingeagle.com)   
 We are listed under Reading Jewish Community Center. Please be sure to check one of these sources BEFORE bringing your child to school.

**American Cancer Society's "Daffodil Days"**



The ACS is the foremost charitable organization working to provide information, support networks and research with the sole goal of helping people survive cancer. Daffodils will be distributed at Preschool on Friday, March 22.

Items for sale are:

- \* Individual bunch \$10 (10 flowers)
- \* Potted Mini Daffodils \$12
- \* Vase of Hope \$15
- \* Hope Boyd's Bear \$25 (10 flowers & a Daffodil Days Bear)

Orders & payment are due to Judy by Wednesday, February 13  
 Checks payable to Jewish Federation of Reading. (185MAR)

**FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE . . . Every Thursday**

1:00 pm -- Luncheon catered by Boscov's Ala Carte\*  
 1:30 pm -- Program/Speaker. Varied programs are informative, educational and fun.

1st Thursday each month: Blood pressure screening at 1:00 pm  
 \*Optional luncheon (\$6). RSVP to Carole at the JCC by Monday.

**FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE FEBRUARY PROGRAMS**

- 7: John Kyte, Preparedness and Resiliency Manager of American Red Cross will provide information on Disaster Preparedness for Seniors
- 14: Thursday Film Festival. Have your taxi pick you up at 3:30  
 Lunch sponsored by Country Meadows.
- 21: Join us for some Purim Fun!
- 28: How to Deal with Change, presented by Kim Kostival from Genesis HealthCare.

**Thursday Film Festival**

**February 14**

**"Jewish Soldiers in Blue and Gray"**

*Brother against brother, Jew against Jew, 10,000 Jewish soldiers fought in the nation's deadliest war. Some prominent Jews, including Jewish slave owners, cited the Torah to justify slavery, while others led the abolitionist movement or established their synagogues as stops on the Underground Railroad. This documentary unreels remarkable little-known history, including Ulysses S. Grant's infamous order expelling Jews from several states; the rise of Judah Benjamin to Secretary of State of the Confederacy; and the story of Abraham Lincoln's Jewish doctor who moved through the South as a Union spy. (86 min.)*

*Film Free ... Optional lunch at 1 p.m., \$6. Movie begins at 1:45*

*For lunch reservations*

*Contact Carole Robinson at [caroler@JFReading.org](mailto:caroler@JFReading.org)*

**Judith C. Kaneff Art Exhibit**

January 20 thru March 13



*Featuring works in Photography and Calligraphy*



Join us for **Bridge** at the JCC Duplicate Bridge Club Wednesdays at 12:30pm. All players are welcome. If you need a partner call Sue Wesner 610-972-5327 or Greg Kiddy 484-332-6871. Sanctioned by the American Contract Bridge League  
 \$3 JCC members \$6 Nonmembers



**Mah Jongg** is played at the JCC every Monday at noon. Everyone is welcome to join the games. Contact Jayne Kleinman, [jaynek@JFReading.org](mailto:jayne@JFReading.org)