

# FEDERATION five

Five things to know from the St. Paul Jewish Federation

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## Virtual Jewish St. Paul Unite.Engage.Inspire.

Stay connected to your Jewish community online. Go to Virtual Jewish St. Paul for meetups, local resources, activities for families, young adults and older adults, religious connections and virtual Passover ideas.

### 1 WE NEED YOU TO ADVOCATE NOW

The Paycheck Protection Program, which has provided critical financial assistance to small businesses and nonprofits, has exhausted the original \$349 billion allocated in the CARES Act.

Many organizations still need assistance. We continue to believe that Congress is likely to pass supplemental appropriations. However, let's not take this for granted. Please contact your Members of Congress now.

[Find your elected officials here.](#)



TELL YOUR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS:  
The CARES Act was a good first step to helping the nation navigate the impact of this pandemic – but more resources are needed for the Paycheck Protection Program.

- Increase the amount of money available for all small businesses throughout America.
- Ensure that a healthy portion of those funds are approved for nonprofit use.
- Enable social service and healthcare providers with more than 500 employees to access the funds.

## 2 PLURALISM IN ISRAEL: REFORM JUDAISM IN ISRAEL VS. USA

**Sunday, April 19, 9 am**

Join Keshet Berlinsky Edry and Rabbi Leah Benamy for a webinar about the differences between the pluralistic streams of Judaism in the United States and Israel. What is similar and what is different, and what does it mean to live in a Reform community in Israel.

Zoom Meeting :

<https://zoom.us/j/97257773954> .

Meeting ID: 972 5777 3954



## Reform Judaism - Israel vs. USA



Webinar with Rabbi Leah Benamy

Sunday 4/19, 9:00 AM Central time  
Zoom Meeting ID: 972 5777 3954

Learn more

## 3 TWIN CITIES YOM HASHOAH COMMEMORATION

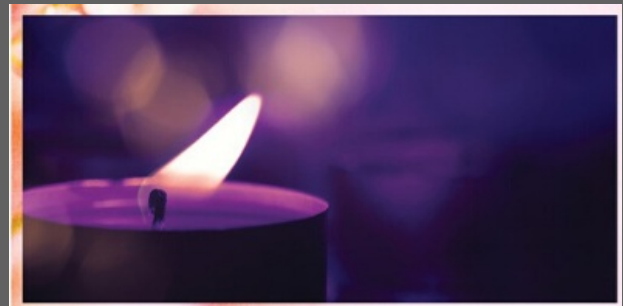
**Tuesday, April 21**

**6 pm Reading of Names**

**7 pm Commemorative Service**

We'll gather online to commemorate Yom HaShoah, honoring our local survivors, remembering those who perished, and marking the 75th anniversary of liberation and the end of the Holocaust.

Register below to join the service led by Rabbi Harold Kravitz, Rabbi Aaron Weinger, and Hazzan Joanna Dulkan from Adath Jeshurun Congregation, as well as opening remarks by JCRC board president Marty Chester.



*The Yom HaShoah Commemoration is co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council of Minnesota and the Dakotas, Children of Holocaust Survivors Association in Minnesota (CHAIM), Adath Jeshurun Congregation, Minneapolis Jewish Federation, St. Paul Jewish Federation, Generations After MN, and the Micki and Mort Naiman Holocaust Education Fund.*

Register

# 4 YOM HA'ATZMAUT

Wednesday, April 29, 1 pm CDT

Celebrate Israel's 72nd birthday with the world. Join us LIVE to celebrate with music, celebrity performances, interactive activities and more.



## GLOBAL YOM HAZIKARON

Monday, April 27, 11:50 am CDT

Be part of the Masa Yom HaZikaron Ceremony from Israel to remember IDF soldiers and victims of terror at the largest virtual ceremony for the Jewish world.

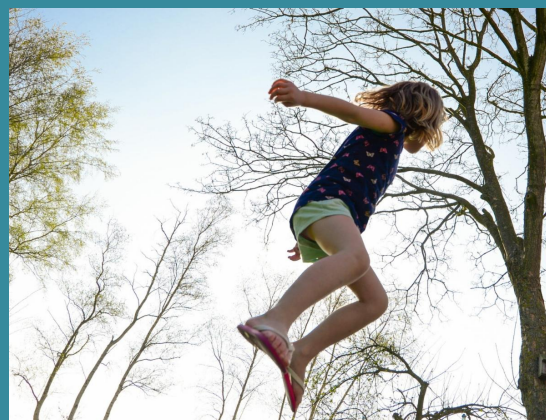
[Learn more](#)

Yom Ha'atzmaut RSVP

# 5 SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP & ISRAEL EXPERIENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Apply by Monday, April 20, 2020

Federation helps young people have meaningful, life-changing Jewish experiences by providing scholarships for summer camp and Israel experiences. These needs-based scholarships are for Jewish overnight camps and approved Israel experience programs for Jewish children and young adults living in Greater St. Paul.



While we don't know yet how COVID--19 may affect summer plans, we do have scholarships available for Summer Camp and Israel travel. We advise you to fill out a scholarship application at this time.

Download the application

## Community News & Events



STAYING HOME, REMEMBERING TOGETHER  
APRIL 20 | 7:00 PM



Staying Home - Remembering Together  
Monday, April 20, 7 pm

Connect to the stories and memories of the Holocaust for Yom HaShoah



(Holocaust Memorial Day) from your own living room. *Zikaron BaSalon*, Hebrew for “remembrance in the living room,” is a social initiative that invites us to commemorate the Holocaust in an intimate way. This program is open for young adults in the Twin Cities (ages 21-39). Sponsored by YALA: A program of the St. Paul and Minneapolis Jewish Federations and the Jewish Community Relations Council.

**Register**

**Maroon and Gold Shabbat is going big so you can stay home!**

Minnesota Hillel's biggest celebration of the year is adapting to the world around us. This year, instead of hosting 500+ people at TCF Bank Stadium for Shabbat, Hillel is asking everyone to "Shabbat-in-place" and let them bring Maroon and Gold Shabbat: Home Edition to you!

Order a custom box of Maroon and Gold Shabbat goodies (A Shabbox) to help make your at-home Shabbat experience on May 1st a Maroon & Gold one.

**Reserve your Shabbox**



#### **Free Counseling Services from Jewish Family Service of St. Paul**

JFS has launched a new Community Support program that is free and open to the public. It includes three 20-minute phone conversations with a JFS mental health professional. Get help to feel more grounded and emotionally secure as well as strategies for improving a sense of well-being. Contact therapist Sara Wellington at (651) 239-4756 or email her at [swellington@jfssp.org](mailto:swellington@jfssp.org). There is no fee for this service; however, donations to the program are appreciated.



#### **UofM Scholarships for Jewish Students**

The University of Minnesota offers scholarship opportunities with preference towards Jewish students. Scholarships are available to eligible candidates for the 2020-2021 academic year. To be considered, online applications must be submitted no later than June 30, 2020.

Students can apply online for the Lifson, Bronsztein, and Shapira Scholarships at the University of Minnesota website: [onestop.umn.edu/finances/scholarships](https://onestop.umn.edu/finances/scholarships), under the Office of Student Finance Scholarship tab.

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