

*You and Your Friends are Cordially Invited
to the Jewish Federation of Springfield, Illinois*

19th Annual Gala Wine Tasting

Saturday, April 13, 2024

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Maldaner's Restaurant

222 S. 6th Street (upstairs)

\$30 per person

*Sample a wide selection of wines from around the world while
enjoying gourmet hors d'oeuvres*

*RSVP by Monday, April 8
to the Federation at (217) 787-7223 ext. 4
or e-mail rsvp@shalomspringfield.org*

Wines provided by The Corkscrew Wine Emporium

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Jewish Federation
of Springfield, IL

ANNUAL MEETING

SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, May 1st, 2024

7:00 PM - Guest Speaker FBI Special Agent in Charge David G. Nanz

7:30 PM Meeting

at 1004 S. 4th Street (Temple B'rith Sholom)

Dessert to be served.



Guest Speaker
FBI Special Agent in Charge
David G. Nanz



Jewish Federation
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Yom HaShoah Commemoration

Sunday, May 5, 2024

4:00 pm

**at 1140 W. Governor Street
(Temple Israel)**





Karen Westbrook

Message From the President

Winter.... I love sunshine on the snow, pretty soft snowfalls, and even shoveling if it isn't too cold. Snow forts, snowball fights and sledding are all great memories. Trudging through the drifts to school, not so much. As I have aged (I prefer matured), I am finding that the lack of sunshine, dampness and cold temperatures affect me physically and mentally much more. It is a reminder that many are in need of social services, especially in the winter.

The Springfield Jewish Federation is ready to help those in need of social services any time during the year. Over the past year, there were 16 contacts requesting social service assistance. This was 100% increase over the previous year. Yes, this could be a statistical blip, however, it might also reflect the aging of our community. Assistance through referrals is available for physical and mental health issues, living adversities including but not limited to shelter, utilities, and food, and legal issues. Support is available to locate care giving services and other similar needs. We have a licensed social worker on staff to provide crisis intervention and assessment services. In certain situations, the Federation can provide financial support through reimbursement to service providers. All contacts with the Federation are confidential.

Here's hoping for an early spring filled with daffodils and tulips.

Jewish Community Relations Council & Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Illinois Healthy Foods Distribution

***If you would like to be a Healthy Foods Distribution volunteer at
the April distribution, please email sjf@shalomspringfield.org.***

Volunteers are needed from 10 am - 1 pm.

**Thursday, April 11, 2024
11 am (while supplies last)**

**at
Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Illinois
300 S. 15th St.
Springfield, IL**

NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT – 2024

Andrew Boyer, Theodore LeBlang, Vera Herst Committee Members

The Committee nominates the following individuals to serve three-year terms on the Federation Board (2024 - 2027): Andrew Boyer; Theodore LeBlang; Bernard Schoenburg; Denise Simon; and Karen Westbrook.

The Committee nominates the following individuals to serve as officers: Karen Westbrook to serve one year as President; Robert Roth to serve one year as First Vice-President; Andrew Boyer to serve one year as Second Vice-President; Remi Benichou to serve one year as Third Vice-President; Howard Chodash to serve one year as Treasurer; and Elizabeth Mendeloff to serve one year as Secretary. Robert Silverman will serve as Immediate Past President (ex officio).

The Committee recommends that the above-designated board member nominees and the listed slate of officers be voted into office at the 2024 Annual Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Springfield, Illinois.

Springfield's recurring social and educational
series for active retirees.

Knosh & Knowledge

**Wednesday,
March 27, 2024
9:30 am**



**Tour of David Strawn Art Gallery in
Jacksonville, Illinois and the special
exhibit of Digital Collage by St. Louis
artist, Ben Kaplan.**


**RSVP by Mon., March 25,
to (217) 787-7223 x 18
or rsvp@shalomspringfield.org**

**Due to the 2nd day of Passover falling on Wednesday,
April 24, there will be no Knosh & Knowledge in April.**

If you have not yet made your pledge to the 2023 Federation Annual Campaign, do so today so that we may include your name in the annual report.



Camperships are now available for Jewish overnight camps through the Joni A. Wolfson Campership Fund. Please contact Nancy Sage at nsage@shalomspringfield.org to request an application today!



2023 Annual Campaign

WHAT WE DO MATTERS

My Pledge

Full Name

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I hereby pledge to support the Annual Campaign with the above gift. I will pay my pledge by
by ☐ Check ☐ by Credit Card
or online at www.shalomspringfield.org.

Giving History

Gift 1 year ago

Gift 2 years ago

Gift 3 years ago



**START PLANNING
NOW**

MARCH 2024

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Easter 31		7 pm TBS Bd Mtg				

APRIL 2024

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9:30 am Religious School 1 pm TI Annual Meeting	7th Day of Passover Federation Closed	9:30 am TI Yizkor 8th Day of Passover Federation Closed				



Jewish Federation
of Springfield, IL

Education and
Culture Committee



"I'll Have What She's Having": The Jewish Deli

Tuesday, April 2, 2024
6:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Illinois Holocaust Museum &
Education Center in Skokie, Illinois

CEW 120-01

\$139 per person

*Includes deluxe motorcoach, admission to the
museum, deli lunch and museum guided tour.*

Departs from LLCC Cass Gym

To register call 217-786-2292.

For questions, email

jay.kitterman@llcc.edu or call

Community Education at 217-786-2432.

More than a place to get a meal, the Jewish Deli is community forged in food. "I'll Have What She's Having: The Jewish Deli," explores how Jewish immigrants, most from Central and Eastern Europe, imported and adapted traditions to create a uniquely American restaurant. Organized by the Skirball Center, this traveling exhibition reveals how Jewish delicatessens became a cornerstone of American food culture.

Lincoln Land Community College and the Jewish Federation of Springfield, IL are partnering for a one-day trip to the Illinois Holocaust Museum in Skokie, Illinois to tour this traveling exhibit. Rabbi Barry Marks, a true food "maven," will be joining us on the bus to provide background on the Jewish Deli in America. Kaufman's Delicatessen & Bakery in Skokie will provide us with a traditional deli lunch at the museum.

The Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center opened in 2009 and is the second largest Holocaust museum in the United States. The museum not only honors the memory of the millions who were murdered during the Holocaust but salutes the courage and resilience of survivors.



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Please register by Tuesday, March 26. www.llcc.edu/travel-opportunities
Call 217-786-2292.



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CONTACT: FBI-SPRINGFIELD PRESS OFFICE
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FBI SPRINGFIELD HONORS THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF SPRINGFIELD, IL, WITH NATIONAL AWARD
[Springfield] – David Nanz, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Springfield Field Office announces the Jewish Federation of Springfield, IL, as the recipient of the 2023 FBI Director’s Community Leadership Award (DCLA).

The FBI established the DCLA in 1990 to publicly acknowledge the achievements of those working to make a difference in their communities through the promotion of education and the prevention of crime and violence. Each year, one person or organization from each of the FBI’s 56 field offices is chosen to receive this prestigious award.

“The award reflects the importance of community partnerships that help make better, safer communities,” said FBI Springfield Field Office Special Agent in Charge David Nanz. “Our relationship with the Jewish Federation of Springfield, IL, has been instrumental in improving dialog and creating an open line of communication that ultimately advances the interests of the entire community.”

Founded in 1941, the Jewish Federation of Springfield, IL, serves Jewish people locally, in Israel and throughout the world through coordinated fundraising, communitywide programming, social services and educational activities. The organization has partnered with many community groups on projects to help unite the Springfield community, strengthen relationships, and provide a deeper understanding of tolerance and acceptance.

QUOTE-Jewish Federation of Springfield, IL

The Jewish Federation of Springfield, IL, will receive national recognition in April when FBI Director Christopher Wray formally presents an award during the DCLA ceremony held at FBI Headquarters. Executive Director, Nancy Sage, will accept the award on behalf of the Federation.



Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Springfield, IL, Nancy Sage delivers remarks on behalf of the organization during a recognition ceremony at the FBI Springfield Field Office



Special Agent in Charge David Nanz presents certificate to the group. Left to right: Caleb Melamed, Ted LeBlang, SAC David Nanz, Nancy Sage, Sherry Flynn, Deborah Derbander, Karen Westbrook

SAGE NOTES



Nancy Sage
Executive Director

For me, an integral part of Federation's mission is connecting; connecting within our Jewish community and connecting with the larger community that surrounds us. Our Federation programs, first and foremost, are designed to bring us together and are based, hopefully, on your varied interests. Wine lovers connect at the winetasting, film lovers connect at the film series, preschoolers and their families connect at PJ Play Date. Knosh & Knowledge connects the curious and active with some of Springfield's own resources.

We are grateful to all of you who shared your connections and opened doors for us in the greater Springfield community. Connecting and creating partnerships with organizations outside the Jewish community is a critical component of Federation and the hallmark of our Jewish Community Relations Council. It is the keystone for building understanding. While we have forged partnerships over the years, there were decades when this was very rare for Jewish organizations and individuals. It is an honor to work with organizations outside the Jewish community whether we ask or are asked and to be invited to present to these groups.

In recent years, our community has helped those who are food insecure through JCRC's long standing relationship with Central Illinois Food Bank. What started as a one-time a year healthy food distribution has evolved into several and into a partnership with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Illinois as well. Through the Rosenwald Initiative, convened by Federation, co-sponsors of the first screening of Rosenwald movie then showing on the iconic protest song "Strange Fruit" included Central Illinois and Springfield African American History Museum, Frontiers International, Ministerial Alliance, NAACP, Union Baptist Church, Velma L. Carey Foundation. It opened the door for a continuing relationship with the Lincoln Home National Historic Site and with the Lincoln Foundation that continues. The NAACP reached out to us to co-host the community meeting after the incident with the former police officer who posted antisemitic remarks online. We partnered with the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum (ALPLM) for the opening of their "Stories of Survival" exhibit, for the Federation's Holocaust Memorial Commemoration and in years before to bring in Jonathan Sarna to talk about his book "Lincoln and the Jews." When we hosted our Partnership2Gether's

If the Federation can assist you in any way, if you have questions or concerns, or are in need of financial or social service assistance, please contact Nancy Sage, Executive Director, at (217)787-7223, ext. 12. All calls are confidential, and your privacy will be respected.

SAGE NOTES

(Continued)

Women Leading a Dialogue, we partnered again with the ALPLM for a program in partnership with the Greater Springfield Islamic Society. We worked with the National Historic Park, Lincoln Land Community College and the Chancellor's office at University of Illinois at Springfield, all of whom hosted programs with our visitors. We partnered with Great Rivers Presbytery to sponsor noted New Testament scholar Amy Jill Levine.

The recent Violins of Hope programs which Federation sponsored this past September provided an amazing opportunity to the entire Springfield community to hear stories of resilience during the tragic years in the 1930's and 1940's and to enjoy beautifully played music. Our partners making it possible included Illinois State Museum for displaying the violins and auditorium for the first performance, Hoogland Center for the Arts, Illinois Symphony Orchestra, Lincoln Land Community College, and University of Illinois at Springfield School of Music and Performing Arts Center, Lincoln Land Community College, Bank of Springfield, and Capitol Blueprint. The JCRC program, "Lighting the Path" was created to serve as a vehicle for us to reach out to schools, places of worship, civic clubs, and organizations to share knowledge of our Jewish community, faith and culture. Please, if you know of an organization that would be interested, contact the Federation office.

I apologize for what I likely have left out, but I would be totally remiss if I failed to mention how important and invaluable our partnerships and connections are within our own Jewish community for joint programming and serving as a venue for Federation and JCRC events. I am grateful to all.



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Julie Seidman, on her birthday, from Fred & Terri Benson

Julie Seidman, on her birthday, from the Westbrook Family

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Betty Hurwitz, from Ted & Pam LeBlang

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In Honor of:

Harvey Rothschild's 90th birthday, from Barry & Barbara Seidman

In Memory of:

Betty Hurwitz, from Barry & Barbara Seidman

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In Memory of:

Betty Hurwitz, from Mark & Sari Wancket

CONDOLENCES

Condolences to the families of

Betty Hurwitz, wife of the late Ralph Hurwitz
Stanley Weiner, husband of Jane Weiner
Mary Bennett, mother of Barbara Rabin

MAZEL TOV

Liam Alexander, son of Dean Alexander and Julietta Mihai, won First Place Winner for Violin, Group B, at Kingspeak International Music Competition

Thank You To Our Volunteers

PJ Library - Regan Marks and Kayla Morrison
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