

The Officers and Board of Directors
of the Jewish Federation of Springfield cordially invite you to our

82nd ANNUAL MEETING

LiveSecure

The Community Security Program
of JFNA (Jewish Federations of North America)
and SCN (Secure Community Network)

Presented by

Bevan Stauffer, SCN Regional Director

Stuart Frisch, SCN National Training & Exercise Advisor

Monday, May 15, 2023, at 5:30 pm

Hors D'oeuvres at 5:30; Meeting at 6:15

1140 W. Governor St. (Temple Israel)

\$30 per person

Please RSVP by Monday, May 8, to 217.787.7223 ext. 18 or
rsvp@shalomspringfield.org

MESSAGE

From the President



Bob Silverman

“So long, farewell...” well, not exactly. As I complete my third (and probably last) term as President of the Jewish Federation of Springfield, I’m thankful that I’ve been given the opportunity to serve our Jewish Community. I have had the honor to represent Springfield in many venues; and, am so proud of what our small city accomplishes. We’re like the “Mouse That Roared,” small in size, big in ideas.

This year has been a challenge, being away from Springfield for five months. However, thanks to technology, especially zoom, you can be 1800 miles away and be in the next room. We made the decision to return to “live” activities, beginning last October with our opening Campaign event, which featured the story of Tatianna and her father and the work of the JDC in Ukraine. By the time you read this our Wine Tasting event will have returned after a three-year absence (thank you Pam and Ted for once again guiding this activity). Our Film Festival will return for 4 Thursdays in June at AMC 12; PJ Kids, (thanks to Regan Marks and Kayla Worker) meet monthly; Knosh & Knowledge continues to provide entertaining and enlightening programs; through JCRC we continue our work to aid those in wider Springfield who face the challenge of food insecurity; thanks to Harry Berman’s tireless work, Partnership connects us with Jewish communities in the United States, Hungary, and Israel; and because of our affiliation with JFNA, (Jewish Federations of North America), and Barry Seidman’s and Nancy Sage’s leadership roles, Springfield has world-wide reach.

I have always appreciated our Federation staff, but never more than this year; Nancy, Betsy, Wendy, and Jordan, you’ve had to deal with so many challenges and have kept us moving forward. I’m grateful to an outstanding group of fellow officers and Board members who give of their time and energy to improve the quality of Jewish life in Springfield. And, lastly, but certainly not least, it would have been impossible for me to do this without the support and encouragement I receive daily from Natalie, Joel, and Libby, you are my anchors.

The future – in my first Newsletter article I said we are an aging community, declining in population; but, we are NOT A DYING COMMUNITY. I’m excited for the leadership of Karen Westbrook, her team, and the incoming Federation Board. Be on the lookout for an exciting program coming in early fall. Federation can only exist because of the support of dedicated donors and volunteers. I am grateful to you all. And, together we will go from Strength-To-Strength.

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SITUATIONAL AWARENESS TRAINING

Presented by SCN (Secure Community Network) *
Bevan Stauffer, Regional Director
Stuart Frisch, National Training & Exercise Advisor

Tuesday, May 16, 2023 - 7pm
at Temple B'rith Sholom

TRAINING INCLUDES:

- **HOW TO RECOGNIZE SUSPICIOUS OR
POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS BEHAVIOR
AND THREATS**
- **WHAT TO DO-WHETHER YOU ARE IN
SYNAGOGUE, AT SCHOOL, OR GOING
ABOUT YOUR DAY**
- **HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF**

Please RSVP by Friday, May 12, to 217.787.7223 ext. 18 or rsvp@shalomspringfield.org

*SCN is the official security and safety organization in North America. Founded by JFNA (Jewish Federations of North America) and the conference of presidents of major American Jewish organizations.

You save lives and change lives.

2022 Campaign is closing. If you haven't already, please make your pledge today to the 2022 Jewish Federation of Springfield Annual Campaign. If you have already pledged, thank you.



2022 Annual Campaign

I hereby pledge to support the Annual Campaign with a gift of \$ _____

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E-mail (please print clearly) _____

Date _____

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Gift 1 year ago

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Gift 3 years ago

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

Knosh & Knowledge

May 31, 2023 9:30-10:30 AM

**National Weather Service Forecast Office
in Lincoln Illinois**

What they do and how they do it



**RSVP by Mon., May 29,
to (217) 787-7223 x 18
or rsvp@shalomspringfield.org**

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.



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Education &
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7th ANNUAL Jewish Film Festival

FOUR THURSDAYS IN JUNE 2023 (JUNE 1, 8, 15, & 22)

AT 7:00 PM

AMC CLASSIC 12

3141 Mercantile Dr., Springfield, IL 62704

Starts At 7 PM



TICKETS: \$25 series pass OR \$7 per film (\$5 with student ID)

Contact: 217-787-7223 ext.18 or rsvp@shalomspringfield.org

AWARD WINNING FILMS FROM AROUND THE WORLD
Presented by the Jewish Federation of Springfield, Illinois

Thurs., June 1

My Polish Honeymoon(2019)



Thurs., June 8

Fig Tree (2018)



Thurs., June 15

Wet Dog (2021)



Thurs., June 22

Kiss Me Kosher (2021)



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MAY 2023

	1	2	3	4	5	6
	7 pm Hadassah Book Club		12 pm TBS Lunch 'N Learn 5:30 pm Fed Rosenwald Celebration		5:30 pm TBS Shabbat 6 pm TI Shabbat	9:30 am TI Service 10 am TBS Torah Study 10:30 am Chabad Service
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:30 am Chabad Tefillin Club 12 pm Fed P2G Book Club 2 pm TBS Exec. Bd. Mtg		1 pm TI S'Hd Book Club 2 pm TI S'Hd Exec Mtg 5:30 pm Chabad Lag B'Omer Lag B'Omer	12 pm TBS Lunch 'N Learn 7 pm Hadassah Bd Mtg	7 pm TI Bd Mtg	5:30 pm TBS Shabbat & S'Hd Dinner 6 pm TI Shabbat Service	9:30 am TI Service 10 am TBS Torah Study 10:30 am Chabad Service
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:30 am Religious School 2 pm Chabad Women's Torah Study Mother's Day	5:30 pm Fed Annual Mtg @ TI	6:30 pm SBJE Bd Mtg 7 pm Fed SCN Training @ TBS	12 pm TBS Lunch 'N Learn	7:30 pm Fed JCRC	6 pm TBS Shabbat 6 pm TI Shabbat	9:30 am TI Service 10 am TBS Torah Study 10:30 am Chabad Service
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
1:30 pm TBS Annual Meeting 2 pm Chabad Women's Torah Study	5:30 pm Fed Exec Committee Mtg	7:30 pm TBS Bd Mtg	7 pm Hadassah Gen Mtg		5:30 pm Chabad Dairy Buffet 6 pm TI Shabbat 6 pm TBS Shabbat Shavuot Federation Closed	9:30 am TI Service 10 am TBS Torah Study 10:30 am Chabad Service Shavuot
28	29	30	31			
	Memorial Day Federation Closed		9:30 am Fed Knosh & Knowledge			

Partnership2GETHER





BOOKCLUB

Sunday May 7

12 pm | 7pm Budapest | 8pm Israel

Join us for a discussion about

Beauty Queen Of Jerusalem

by Sarit Yishai-Levi

RSVP

rebrand.ly/P2Gbook_club

Connecting PERSON 2 PERSON PEOPLE 2 PEOPLE

Partnership2GETHER of the Western Galilee has sponsored two Zoom meetings on *What's Going On in Israel*.

Israeli Perspective

[Click Here for Recording from March 26, 2023](#)

Hungarian Perspective

[Click Here for recording from April 16, 2023](#)

Please note that the recordings represent information that was available at the time of the recording.





Partnership2GETHER of the Western Galilee

25 YEARS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Partnership2Gether Western Galilee • US Central Area Consortium • Budapest Hungary

25th Anniversary Days of Celebration

- Sunday, Nov 5th**
HealthTech and Healthcare Innovation Medical Seminar Begins- Galilee Medical Center
- Monday, Nov 6th**
Medical Seminar continues (All Day)
- Tuesday, Nov 7th**
Partnership 25th Anniversary Activities Begin
• Visits to our partner beneficiary organizations in the Western Galilee
• Welcome dinner and Art Exhibit opening at the Partnership Center in Achziv
Medical Seminar continues
- Wednesday, Nov 8th**
Partnership 25th Anniversary Activities Continue
• Visits to our partner beneficiary organizations in the Western Galilee
• Partnership tracks and experiences: Arts, Multiculturalism, History & Pride, Partnership Connections
25th Anniversary Celebration Gala
Medical Seminar continues
- Thursday, Nov 9th**
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• Partnership tracks and experiences: Arts, Multiculturalism, History & Pride, Partnership Connections
• SlidingDors Mini-Seminar - With the Ghetto Fighters House Museum
• Café Olam Event - Celebrating shared society and multiculturalism in the Western Galilee
Closing Day of Medical Seminar
- Friday, Nov 10th**
Free time on own
• Kabbalat Shabbat & lunch at Achziv beach (Partnership Center)
Farewell's and Good-bye's
- Shabbat, Nov 11th**
All day free time on own
Open studios in artists' homes and workshops in Matteh Asher
• Registration to Partnership tracks will be open for registration during the summer

Looking forward to celebrating with you, our friends, our achievements, and ALL that Partnership in the Western Galilee has to offer!





Greater Dayton Jewish Federation Invites You to Join Their Israel Tour in Conjunction with Partnership2GETHER's 25th Anniversary Celebration



2023 Cultural Israel Tour Missions and Tours

<https://jewishdayton.org/program/missions/>

Join us November 5-12 for a trip of a lifetime! Explore Israel like never before ~ experience the country's finest cuisine, wine, and culture. A pre-tour (for first time visitors or enthusiasts!) is also available.



\$4,500 PER PERSON (EXCLUDES AIRFARE)
Single Supplement \$1,900

November 5 – 8, 2023

Jerusalem

Herbert Samuel Hotel

Highlights Include:

- Visit the Machane Yehuda Market for a special Foodie tour.
- Enjoy a special workshop/activity with calligrapher David Moss.
- Join a sweet and special visit to the local boutique Galita Chocolate Factory.
- Drive to the Ella Valley wineries region and enjoy a wine tasting.

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the Application

November 8 – 10, 2023

Western Galilee

The Nea Hotel

Highlights Include:

- Visit the artist's village of Ein Hod.
- Partake in the Partnership2Gether Gala.
- Enjoy dinner at Uri Buri restaurant.

November 10 – 12, 2023

Tel Aviv

Crowne Plaza

Highlights Include:

- Participate in a street food tour.
- Enjoy a walking tour of Neve Tzedek.
- Visit the M&H Whiskey Distillery and enjoy a tasting.
- Explore the Agam Museum.

SAGE NOTES



Nancy Sage
Executive Director

When I started writing this month's column, I couldn't help but think how quickly time passes. It does seem like yesterday when I wrote last month's column. I can hardly believe it has been a year since our last annual meeting, much less 3 years since we've met in person and hosted Michelle Korin to introduce Partnership2GETHER while Pat Chesley was serving as Federation President. Throughout Arden Lang's entire presidency, we not once met in person due to Covid. Just six

months ago, half-way through Bob Silverman's term as President, we met in person for the first time for Federation's campaign event. I am especially thankful to Federation Board for their wisdom and care, and for continuing the more than eighty-year tradition of serving, strengthening, and caring for our community always guided by our mission, service to the Jewish people, locally, in Israel and throughout the world, I have no doubt that incoming Federation President Karen Westbrook's vision and leadership will be emblematic.

In recent years and especially as we reconvene in person, security has been an ongoing and ever present community concern. Thanks to Barry Seidman, who while Federation President, thought that Michael Masters, Executive Director of SCN (Secure Community Network), would be a great speaker at the 2018 Federation Campaign dinner. SCN is the official safety and security organization of the Jewish community in North America, founded by JFNA (Jewish Federations of North America) and the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. This was months before the murders at Pittsburgh's three synagogues and before Poway and Colleyville, the rise of antisemitism, and incidents in Springfield. At the campaign event, Michael Masters described his goal — that every Jewish community would have a dedicated security director. JFNA and SCN's LiveSecure program does just that. Since then, Federation hosted SCN's Stuart Frisch who discussed security at a community meeting, toured each local Jewish facility, and met with law enforcement. Federation arranged for SCN to conduct security assessments for Temple Israel and Temple B'rith Sholom, which, along with JFNA seminars, assisted each in receiving National Security Grant Program awards. Federation most recently arranged for JUF (Chicago Federation) to conduct a security assessment for Chabad for the new location.

Continuing our focus on community security, Federation has invited SCN to describe the LiveSecure program at Federation's Annual Meeting on Monday, May 15th at 5:30 pm at Temple Israel. SCN will conduct Situational Awareness training on Tuesday, May 16th at Temple B'rith Sholom at 7:00 pm. Bevan Stauffer, SCN Regional Security Director and Stuart Frisch, SCN National Training and Exercise Advisor will present.

I hope you will join us at Federation's annual meeting (May 15) to thank Federation Board and committee members for all they've accomplished over the past year and for their service to the community, to welcome new leadership, to acknowledge the leadership of our community's Jewish organizations over the past year, to hear exciting plans for this coming year, and to thank you for your

SAGE NOTES (cont.)



your support for Federation. If this isn't enough, you'll have the opportunity to enjoy David Radwine's hors d'oeuvres. Thanks to Bob Roth for chairing the Annual Meeting and his stellar committee, incoming President Karen Westbrook and outgoing President Bob Silverman.

SCN Situational Awareness training (May 16) teaches us what might be suspicious behavior in any environment and how to react. The tenets of situational awareness apply at home, at religious services, at restaurants, in shopping centers, in other words, everywhere. We owe thanks to Federation Community Facilities Security Committee, chaired by Pat Chesley, as they have identified security community training priorities that we will pursue. The committee includes representatives from each organization using a facility: Federation and temple presidents, SBJE president, congregation and Chabad rabbis, respective organization security committee chairs, and community members with security expertise.

Two consecutive evenings hosted by Federation might seem a bit much, but as I wrote at the start of this article — time passes quickly. We hope to see you on May 15 and 16.

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TO:

Stacey Skrysak & Jody Wallace, for being 2023 University of Illinois-Springfield Heart of Gold honorees.

Saul Morse, for receiving the 2023 University of Illinois-Springfield William E. Winter Award for Outstanding Advocate Leadership at Springfield's Celebration of Philanthropy

Bank of Springfield, for receiving the 2023 University of Illinois-Springfield Golden Distinction designation for its support of more than 200 organizations and events and collaboration with The Springfield Project.

CONDOLENCES

WE MOURN THE PASSING OF:

Marian Jorgenson
Mother of Mark Wancket

&

Michael Falk
Brother of Laurie Barnum

May their memories endure as a blessing.

THANK YOU

PJ Library: Co-chairs Regan Marks & Kayla Morrison



SPRINGFIELD TEMPLE COMMUNITY CRUISE!

Join in on the fun December 10-17, 2023, for a fabulous 7-night Caribbean cruise on the Holland America Nieuw Statendam. Cruise departs from Ft. Lauderdale. Port stops include Grand Turk, San Juan PR, and St. Thomas USVI. The Nieuw Statendam is a stunning ship with a modern take on traditional ship design. It was built in 2018 and has a capacity of 2,666 passengers.

This will be the Springfield temple community's 5th group cruise and is a fundraiser for Temple B'rith Sholom and Temple Israel. Invite your family & friends, too!

For further information, contact Howard & Lori Hammel
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