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CHAINS OF LOVE



On Saturday, Dec. 22, Ann King, a teacher at St. Matthew's Parish Elementary School, tried to deliver a large box filled with a very large paper chain to the offices at the Shaw JCC. Because it was Saturday, the offices were not open. However, King noted that Beth El Congregation, which is on the Schultz Campus, was concluding its morning services and left the box with several congregants.

She indicated that the paper chain was the work of students from kindergarten through eighth grade. It was their expression of condolences to the Akron Jewish community after the shooting resulting in 11 deaths at The Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. Most of the links of the chain included messages of sympathy. Others were decorated with the students' artwork.

The gift is now hanging in the lobby of the Shaw JCC. The Jewish Community Board of Akron, the Shaw JCC, The Lippman School and the entire Jewish community are grateful for this meaningful expression of solidarity and comfort by the St. Matthew School teachers and students.

Pictured: The Lippman School students and Erin Katz, education director at Beth El, hold the chain.

The Jewish Agency: A Global Impact

You may already be aware of The Jewish Agency for Israel because Akron is served by Jewish Agency shlichim (Israeli emissaries), who build bridges between the Israeli and American Jewish communities and organize Israel experiences.

When you support JCBA's Annual Campaign, you help make the shlichim program possible; our campaign also supports the other work The Jewish Agency does. The agency ensures that every Jewish person, no matter where they are in the world, feels an unbreakable bond to one another and to Israel. Here are some of its programs in Israel and worldwide.

Assisting vulnerable populations in Israel

A subsidiary of The Jewish Agency, Amigour provides quality housing to new immigrants, single-parent families, and the elderly in Israel. Each year, about 7,000 older adults, most of whom are Holocaust survivors, live in 57 Amigour sheltered living complexes that also offer social and cultural services.

Connecting world Jewry

The Jewish Agency builds Jewish peoplehood through various programs, which connect Jews to Israel and to each other.

Project TEN is a service-learning program that brings young Jewish adults from Israel and around the world to volunteer, study, and travel together in Israel or developing regions. Volunteers study an integrated curriculum focusing on Jewish values and community. Project TEN centers are located in Ghana, Uganda, South Africa, Mexico, and Israel.

Co-founded in 2004 by The Jewish Agency and the Israeli government, **Masa Israel Journey** is the global leader in long-term experiences in Israel for young Jewish adults ages 18-30. More than 130,000 Masa alumni from over 60 countries have spent two-twelve months "living like a local" in Israel, experiencing an authentic, unmediated, and

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challenging journey into Israeli society as well as its people, culture, politics, economy, land, and history.

For younger Jews, The Jewish Agency supports the following experiences worldwide:

- **Bac Bleu Blanc**, a teen Israel experience that annually brings around 1,000 Jewish teenagers to Israel from France.
- **Teen trips** for Jewish day schools in Mexico, bringing 95 percent of Mexico's Jewish teenage population to Israel by the time they graduate from high school.
- **Encounter**, a 10-day educational trip to Israel for Jewish day school students from South Africa.

Shlichim: A Global Perspective

Shlichim cultivate Jewish identity not just in North American communities like Akron, but across the globe.

For instance, throughout the former Soviet Union (FSU), professionals devoted to the needs of Russian-speaking Jewry run a continuum of programs for all ages that reach tens of thousands of Jews in the FSU on an annual basis.

Each year, FSU summer, winter, and seasonal camps enable 8,000 young Russian-speaking Jews — ranging in age from 7 to young adulthood — to enjoy transformative Jewish learning experiences.

Since 2014, “specialty camps” in this region have taught participants marketable career skills while also helping them explore their Jewish heritage, such as a media and communications camp. Also launched in 2014, day camps aimed at providing dynamic Jewish experiences to children who have never attended sleep-away camp.



The Jewish Agency's Project TEN volunteers assist in a health campaign in Pluma Hidalgo, Oaxaca, Mexico. Credit: The Jewish Agency for Israel.

Careful, You May Already Be Engaged

TODD POLIKOFF

CEO OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY BOARD OF AKRON

I was very active in the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (BBYO) while in high school. My involvement was not intentional and would not have happened if my parents didn't make it a priority. Regardless of my vehement protests, my mother dropped me off at a seemingly random home with a few dollars for dinner. She purposefully neglected to tell me that the event was a sleepover. By the next morning I was elected “Sergeant at Arms,” most likely because I was the biggest guy in the room. I eventually became a BBYO regional officer, attended a summer program, and even (unsuccessfully) ran for Grand Aleph Godol (international president). Due mostly to family financial and time constraints, BBYO was the extent of my Jewish organization, agency, or synagogue involvement.

Because my family was not involved in any other capacity, many at the time (the late '80s) who considered us to be unaffiliated — and we weren't the only ones. Organizations exhausted human and financial capital in an effort to find Jews, like my family, who were undiscovered or, even worse, hiding in an effort to avoid paying dues.

In the past several years, Jewish semantics has shifted from using the term “affiliated” to “engaged” to indicate participation in the community. Regardless of which word is used, there remains a lingering problem with both: their definitions. I think we need to be explicit about how we define affiliated or engaged and avoid using them as one-word mission statements for an initiative or committee. When applying the Socratic Method to define these terms, I find that our initiatives either don't match the definition or that the population that we thought fit in the engaged/affiliated category is not as large as we thought (or even exists at all). To take this one step further, when we widen the scope of “engaged,” organizations may find that they are wasting capital to capture community members that they already have in their database.

Take PJ Library as an example. To enroll in it, families must take the initiative to sign up to receive a Jewish book for their children from the Jewish community, in their home, every month. Very often, PJ Library registration may be the only connection that these families have to the community. It is one of the few times in which unknown members of our community raise their hands, often unsolicited, and say “*Heneni* – Here I am.”

This begs the question of what engagement means. If a family signs up to receive at least one Jewish storybook for the next eight years of their child's life, are they engaged? Are they participating in the community more or less than someone who pays synagogue dues but only goes to services three times per year or someone who joins the JCC but only uses the gym? I would argue that PJ Library registration easily passes the bar to consider that family engaged. The extent to which they become further engaged is based on how the relationship is cultivated. In essence, it is on the Jewish organizations to present the value proposition (both communal and financial) for those families to join.

I think that we as a community need to spend a bit more time defining what we really mean by engaged before we apply financial or human capital toward an initiative. In the end, if we only define engagement by the payment of dues or membership, then we will miss a broad spectrum of our community. This is why the Jewish Community Board of Akron funds programs like J-Ticket, PJ Library, Rubber City Jews, BBYO, and other initiatives. All of these require some action by the participant to identify as a member of the Jewish community. That awareness, that self-identification, that act of proactively wanting to be a part of the community, that call of “*Heneni*” is a more than sufficient definition of “engaged” in my book.



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Upcoming Events

Feb. 3

Jewish Women Singing Club

7:00PM - 8:45PM
Home of Robin Freedman

All women and girls are invited to share the joy of music together. Held once a month at rotating locations.

Feb. 5

Israel 201: Politics and Dilemmas

7:00PM - 8:30PM
Schultz Campus for Jewish Life

Shaliach Mor Roffe will lead a discussion of how the Israeli political system works and about the dilemmas in Israeli society.

Feb. 11

Torah Class

7:30PM - 9:00PM
Home of Regina & Yuriy Dorman

Torah class by Jewish Learning Institute of Anshe Sfard.

Feb. 12

The Lippman School Play

2:30PM - 4:30PM
Schultz Campus for Jewish Life

Lippman presents its version of Peter Pan: *Neverland*. All its students participate in the production.

Feb. 13

The Lippman School Play and Dinner

5:30PM - 9:00PM
Schultz Campus for Jewish Life

Performance of *Neverland*, followed by a spaghetti dinner and ice cream social.

Feb. 17

PJ Library Baby & Toddler Get-together

10:00AM - 11:00AM

Playgroup for Jewish infants and toddlers. Contact Julie at 330-835-0005 or Julie_Katz@jewishakron.org for more information and for location.

Feb. 23

Shabbat Shalom Bereavement Group

12:15PM - 1:15PM
Beth El Congregation

All are welcome, and no RSVP is necessary. Sessions are facilitated by a professional grief counselor in coordination with Jewish Family Service.

Feb. 24

Beyond Fiddler: Jews & Judaism in Song

3:00PM - 6:00PM
Main Library of the Akron-Summit County Public Library, 60 S. High St.

Explore Jewish culture through music at this concert. Featuring local cantors and the Jewish Theological Seminary.



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That's the "plan" in planned giving: You designate how your gift is to be used. Planned gifts enable you to leave a legacy, whether it's providing unrestricted funds to help meet community needs now and in the future or permanent resources to aid identified programs, projects, agencies, organizations or initiatives of interest to you and your family.

Planned giving provides you with peace of mind. You will know that your charitable intent will be perpetuated for generations, while also ensuring that you will provide for your heirs. All of this and more can be accomplished through planned giving vehicles tailored to support your financial and estate planning goals.

Planned giving offers other benefits. If you give during your lifetime, you may receive charitable income tax deductions. Perhaps most important is that you can demonstrate to your family the depth of your philanthropic commitment and the importance of giving back to the Jewish community. Many of the institutions and programs in Akron's Jewish community have been built or established through planned gifts.

Your IRA is one way to leave a legacy for our community while also providing for your heirs. When you list a charitable organization, such as The Jewish Community Board of Akron, as a beneficiary, it can receive proceeds from your IRA. These proceeds are exempt from income tax. *(Please note that these tax benefits only apply to non-Roth IRAs.)*

You can list one or many charities as partial beneficiaries to benefit from your IRA. The donation from your IRA can fund special purpose funds, named endowment funds, scholarships, and more. Also, when you name a charitable organization as the beneficiary of your IRA, an attorney is usually not needed to update your will, and the donated funds aren't subjected to probate court proceedings.

Please consult your tax, financial, or estate planning professional about naming a non-profit as a beneficiary of your IRA, as every situation is unique.

If you're interested in naming JCBA or its agencies as a beneficiary of your IRA, or if you have questions about other planned giving options, contact Julie Katz, campus resource and endowment director at 330-835-0005 or Julie_Katz@jewishakron.org.

In Memoriam: Scott Zorn

The Akron Jewish community feels the loss of Shaw JCC Camp and Youth Director Scott Zorn, who passed away unexpectedly on Jan. 1.

Born in Jericho, NY, the son of Harold (of blessed memory) and Adele Zorn, Scott and his family moved to Los Angeles when he was five years old. Scott grew up in the JCC and connected especially with Jewish camping.



He met his wife, Julie, in Los Angeles. In 2004 when they were expecting their first child, the Zorns moved to Tucson, Ariz., where Scott began working for Jewish Family and Children's Services as a therapist.

He later became the director of children, youth and camping for the Tucson Jewish Community Center. Scott led a robust career for over a decade there, taking part in national leadership training programs for the large umbrella Jewish Community Centers Association (JCCA). He considered himself a career JCC professional; in 2016, his work earned him a "Feddie" award for Jewish professional of the year in Tucson.

In 2017, Scott and his family moved to Akron, where he became the program director and children and youth director for the Shaw JCC. Known for his energetic and charismatic personality with children preschool age through teen, he especially took pride in his role known as "Shabbat Scott," in which he engaged children in music as he shared a celebration of weekly Shabbat rituals.

Building community and creating memorable experiences for youth drove Scott's passion and work. He touched the lives of so many members, families and children throughout his 15+ years of work in the JCCs.

Scott is survived by his wife Julie Zorn; children Haley Zorn and Dylan Zorn; mother, Adele Zorn of Las Vegas, Nev.; sisters Susan (Barry) Franklin of Phoenix, Ariz., Rochelle Zorn of Las Vegas, Nev.; Uncle Stan Rich of Los Angeles, Calif.; mother and father-in-law, David and Kathryn Unger of Tucson, Ariz.

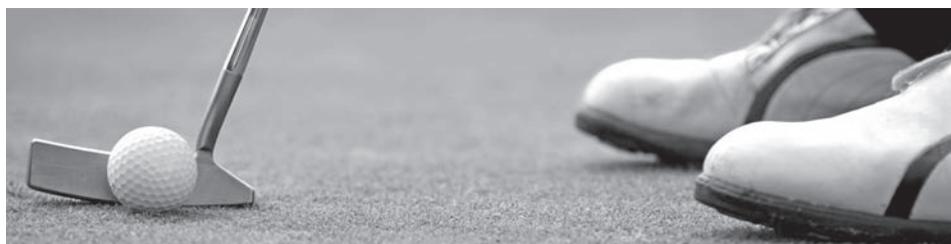
To make a donation in Scott's memory, visit www.shawjcc.org/give. Your donations to the Scott Zorn Scholarship Fund will benefit youth programs such as Camp JCC, Maccabi Games, BBYO and more at the Shaw JCC.

Community Shabbat Dinner on March 1 Will Feature Comedian MODI

Anshe Sfard will host the next Community Shabbat Dinner on Friday March 1. Open to all, the event will start at 5:30 p.m. with Kabbalat Shabbat services, followed by Shabbat dinner with the comedian MODI.

Voted one of the top 10 comedians in New York City by *The Hollywood Reporter* and *BackStage*, MODI is one of the comedy circuit's most sought-after performers. Featured on HBO, CBS, NBC, ABC, Comedy Central, and more, MODI has received rave reviews in *The New York Times*, *Time Out NY* and *The New York Post*.

RSVP at shawjcc.org/ShabbatDinner, call 330-867-7850, or stop by the Shaw JCC desk to reserve your tickets. Tickets are \$18 for adults \$12 for children (ages 5-13) and free for children (under 5) by Feb. 22. Sponsored by the Shaw JCC, Anshe Sfard, Beth El Congregation and Temple Israel, with support from the Jewish Community Board of Akron.



Save the Date!

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From Our Shaliach

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Unraveling the Basics of Israeli Politics

I got my beauty sleep; the bed was comfy, and the temperature was perfect. You know those kinds of nights you wake from fresh, wondering how it passed so fast?

However, on this morning in late December, I wasn't prepared to wake up to more than thirty notifications from social media and Israeli news apps about Israel holding its elections early. The call for an early election didn't just happen in a snap. A lot happened in the past few months, which I'll explain in more detail at my Israel 201 program this month.

Election day in Israel will now be April 9. It's unlike the elections I talked about in October, which were for choosing mayors and city councils; this time the elections will decide the congress, parliament, and, notably, prime minister.

How does it work?

In the Israeli political system, we have three branches:

1. Ha'Knesset makes the laws, like a congress. It made up from 120 members who are affiliated with the parties who were chosen in the elections. The head of it is the Knesset Speaker, Yuli Edelstein.
2. Ha'Memshalla executes the laws through the ministries; it is a coalition of parties that are part of the Knesset, which is headed by the prime minister (Benjamin Netanyahu).

3. Beit Ha'Mishpat is the Judiciary, which is independent and separate from the two previous branches. The head of it is the chief justice, Esther Hayut.

Israel is a parliamentary democracy, with a president as head of state. However, the President's powers are largely ceremonial, and the prime minister holds the real power. Moreover, the president (currently Reuven Rivlin) is chosen by the Knesset.

What do we vote for?

Israelis vote for the Knesset every four years. Unlike the U.S., Israel isn't divided into states, and the Israeli political system has many parties that citizens can vote for. However, Israelis cast a ballot for a party but do not directly determine which politician will be the next head of the country. Essentially, the elections for the government are actually a vote between lists of people and how many people from each list will sit in the Knesset.

After the elections, the votes are counted, and according to them the seats are divided among the parties. The number of seats that each party receives in the Knesset is proportional to the number of votes received: A party that won 10 percent of the general vote will hold 10 percent of the seats in the Knesset seats. There is a minimum percentage that a party needs to pass, which is 3.25% of the votes, then the

votes are spread evenly between the other parties who passed it.

How is a government created?

After the voting game is over and we know how much seats each party has in the Knesset, the government game begins. Logically, to pass a law you need a majority, and in the Knesset, which has 120 members, you need to have more than 61 members to vote in favor for it. Like laws, the government also needs to be approved by the Knesset. However, one party alone can't reach 61 seats by its own, due to the number of parties in the elections. Therefore, the parties need to group together and create a coalition of parties who work together. This happens after a lot of discussions and negotiations among the party that was tasked by the president to create the coalition and the other parties. The chosen party has 40 days to create a coalition and be approved in the Knesset.

In conclusion, every four years (or less) we have elections in Israel for the Knesset (the congress) that leads to the creation of a new Memshala (government). This election has brought out a lot of debates and opinions on the major conflicts in Israeli society like security, education, religion, and more. I invite you to stay tuned, ask me questions, and come to my next Israel 201 program to hear more.

New to Jewish Akron or Looking to Connect?

Akron Jewish Community Concierge Cathy Baer can help you with job and house searches, options for Jewish community life, and more!

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Winter Shaliach Programs



Thursday, Jan. 31

Discussion with Israeli Journalist Eldad Beck

Eldad Beck is a well-known Israeli journalist who specializes in topics like European politics and Israel, European Jews and the rise of anti-Semitism in Europe and political developments in the Arab world.



Tuesday, Feb. 5

Israel 201: Politics & Dilemmas

Celebrate the birthday of the Israeli parliament - the Knesset. We'll discuss how the Israeli political system works and the dilemmas that exist in Israeli society.



Thursday, Mar. 7

Israel 201: Israeli Wonder Women

Israeli history is full of stories and brave people. During International Women's Day month, we'll share and discuss the stories of Israeli women who decided not to stand aside but rather bring change to Israeli history.

Tu Bi'Shevat Celebration at Anshe Sfard



Forum 360 Gives Superbowl a Run for Its Money

Last year's Super Bowl surpassed the record amount of money spent on commercials, with a record base price of \$4.5 million per commercial. The cost of a 30-second commercial now exceeds \$5 million dollars. That gives the sponsor 30 seconds to tell their story for five million dollars, which comes out to \$166,000 per second.

Forum 360 gives guests in Northeast Ohio 26 minutes to tell their stories. While we are not watched by some 100 million viewers as is the Super Bowl, our shows continue to highlight what makes our area interesting and relevant...and it does not cost \$166,000 per second!

Recent Forum 360 shows we have taped include: effective meetings, an Israeli perspective on America,

the latest innovations for hair growth, human trafficking, and the Summit County Historical Society.

Each year we try to add one or two hosts to our rotating Forum hosts. An inquisitive mind, being able to think on your feet, a flexible schedule and the desire to do your "homework" for each show are the most important qualities in a host . . . the rest can be learned.

Each show will air:

- PBS/Fusion channel 45/49 on Monday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 5 p.m.
- WONE FM 97.5 Sunday 6 a.m. WAKR AM 1590 Sunday, 5 p.m., Monday 12:30 a.m.



Todd Polikoff, CEO of the Jewish Community Board of Akron, was a recent guest during a taping of Forum 360 with host Leslie Ungar.

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HOLDING SORROW AND JOY



On Nov. 27, women came together for the Annual Gathering of Jewish Mysticism and Kabbalah. Pictured from L-R: Mazal Cohen, Joy Wagner, Joy Regimbal, Sheryl Aronson, Robin Tobias, Mimi Surloff, Janet Minc, Leslie Ungar, Judy Grundfast, Yocheved Karen Polansky, Sheri Glauberman and Laurie Zuckerman.

WOMAN-TO-WOMAN

At the second WE (Women's Empowerment) Talks, experienced Jewish leaders connected with emerging leaders. The women who attended were exhilarated by the presenters and by connecting with each other. Many stayed after the program was over to chat and exchange contact information. Held by the Jewish Community Board of Akron, these talks are sponsored by the Jewish Women's Endowment Fund. If you are interested in learning more about this program, contact Cathy Baer at cathy_baer@jewishakron.org.



ABOVE: Kaila Sasonkin, Devorah Pasternak, and Laurie Zuckerman

LEFT: Becky Rolnick-Fox



Ilene Shapiro



Speakers included Becky Rolnick-Fox, Debbie Shifrin, Marcia Friedman, Rochelle Stone and Ilene Shapiro.



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2622 Thurmont Rd. Akron 44313

February 10 - Robin Freedman

295 Brookrun Drive Akron 44321

March 10 - Rabbi Alyssa Austerklein

3721 Sanctuary Drive Akron 44333

April 7 (Passover) - Drumming at Mazal Cohen's

600 San Moritz Drive Akron 44333

May 5 - Location TBA

June 2 (Shavuot) - Mimi Surloff

4096 Meadowcreek Ln. Akron 44321

Save the Date!

We are Many Yet We are One:

**A Multigenerational Seder
for Women of Today**

April 11, 2019

6:00 PM

Temple Israel Akron Social Hall

More details to follow



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WORSHIP OPTIONS FOR YOUTH

Mini Minyan at Beth El

Join Beth El on the first Saturday of every month for a Shabbat service geared towards its youngest congregants and their families. They actively experience Shabbat through songs, stories, and Kiddush. It is full of songs, stories, and movement for families and usually lasts about 45 minutes to an hour. Mini Minyan is led in the “Music Together” style. Older siblings are always welcome, too! Mini Minyan begins around 10:30 a.m. and is open to all at no cost; the next one will be held on Feb. 2

Wee Sing at Temple

Once a month, Temple Israel hosts Wee Sing for families with children age five and under. Enjoy schmoozing, stories, and songs on Sundays at 10 a.m. It will be held on Feb. 24; March. 31; and Apr. 28. Bagels and coffee provided.

Beth El Jr. Congregation

School-age students can attend Jr. Congregation on the first Saturday of every month at Beth El. Parents are welcome to attend the Jr. Congregation Shabbat service or attend the main service. Sarah Greenblatt will lead the service, which begins at 10:15 a.m. and is open to all. The next one will be Feb. 2

Young Family Shabbat

On Feb. 15, join young families at Beth El for dinner at 5:30 p.m. in the Mercaz followed by a family-friendly service at 6:15 p.m. in the Gross Family Chapel with dessert following. (Vegetarian or vegan options are always available— just let Beth El know.) Grandparents are always invited, too! Dinners are sponsored by the Lippman Kanfer Family Foundation and are always free and open to the public. RSVPs are always appreciated so there is enough food for all.

Shabbat in the Round

Anshe Sfard hosts Shabbat in the Round once a month on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. It's a young family Shabbat experience through food, fun, friends, and prayer. It will be held on Feb. 8; March 8; May 10; and June 14. Open to all. RSVP to 330-606-9876 or to office@akronshul.com. Sponsored by the Lippman Kanfer Family Foundation.

Notice a Housekeeping or Maintenance Issue on Campus?

Now you can directly notify Schultz Campus staff about any Campus housekeeping or maintenance issues by emailing maintenance staff at jmaint@shawjcc.org.

ECE Families Give Back at First Mitzvah Night

The Mandel ECE at the Shaw JCC of Akron held its first Mitzvah Night on Jan. 9.

A mitzvah is a commandment of the Jewish law and refers to charitable acts and good deeds. Each classroom chose an agency to support and with the help of ECE parents requested items were collected for each organization.

With more than 175 gathering together for dinner in the Shaw JCC auditorium, the ECE families and teachers later visited their classrooms to complete their missions. Each classroom community worked together to support agencies in the Akron area and beyond.

Agencies that were supported by the Mitzvah Night included: One of a Kind Pet Rescue, The Believe Box, Beds for Kids, the Akron/Canton Foodbank, Access, The Peter Maurin Center, The Battered Women's Shelter, The Birth Center of Medina County, Akron Children's Hospital, and Stewart's Caring Place.

Mandel ECE Director Kim Garra says, "It is important that children understand that they are part of a larger community, and it is our duty to help those around us. By giving the value of charity and kindness to others a major role in our early childhood program, we are encouraging our children to grow up with a sense of compassion. We are teaching these little ones that although they are small, they play a big part in helping others."

The Mandel ECE community participates together in many mitzvahs throughout each school year.



BBYO to Host President's Day Pool and Pizza Party

Akron BBYO is excited to host a President's Day Pool and Pizza Party. This fun and free event for Jewish teens from Akron, Youngstown, Canton, and Cleveland will be held on Saturday, Feb. 16 from 5-7:30 p.m. at the Shaw JCC. Teens will enjoy an evening of swimming, pizza, and games. A short teen-led Havdalah will mark the end of Shabbat. RSVP required to Akron BBYO City Director Adam Fox at afox@shawjcc.org by Feb. 14.

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Beth El Will Hold Annual Raffle on Feb. 3

38th Annual Beth El Fundraiser will be on Sunday, Feb. 3. The silent auction will offer a wide range of items, including restaurant certificates, wine selections, sports memorabilia, event tickets, and more. The grand prize will be \$5,000. Back again this year is the wine pull, in which you can donate \$20 for the opportunity to take home a bottle of wine.

Doors open at 11:30 a.m., with brunch (prepared by Emily Schurr) at noon. Silent Auction follows brunch. Your \$150 ticket includes entry and brunch for two. To purchase tickets, ask any Beth El officer or board member, Rob Minster, Tony Sterns, or at the Beth El office.

Volunteer Opportunity: Help Granny Group Feb. 20

The Mitzvah Crew at the Shaw JCC is looking for volunteers to help the Granny Group with an activity with the children from the Mandel ECE Center on Feb. 20, from 8:30 a.m. to around 12:30 p.m.. Any amount of time you could give would be appreciated! You can contact Julie at 330-835-0027 or jlfever@shawjcc.org if you are interested.

Order Kosher Hamantashen

\$12 a dozen. Pre-paid orders due by Sunday, March 10. Mail orders to Hamantashen c/o Wendy Macher, 2688 Olentangy Drive, Akron, OH 44333. Make checks out to Women's Chavurah. For more information, call 330-330-873-1499 or visit www.akronshul.com.

Pick up at Anshe Sfard on Sunday, March 17 from 11 am-1 pm (or call for an appointment).

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Senior Adult Programs at the Shaw JCC

Bridge

Mondays 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Fridays 10:30 a.m.– 1 p.m.

No matter what level of play, join us for bridge. No instruction is provided. No RSVP needed. Coffee and desserts served. \$1 donation suggested.

Retired Men's group

2nd & 4th Tuesdays 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Join the Retired Men's Group for open discussion. No RSVP needed. Coffee and bagels will be served. \$1 donation suggested.

Lunch Bunch

2nd Tuesdays 11:30 a.m.

Once a month come and join us as we eat at different locally owned, Akron-area restaurants. PLEASE RSVP* at least one day in advance. Meet at the restaurant at 11:30 on your own.

Feb. 12: Leah's Kitchen

1867 W. Market St. (behind Acme #1)

Monthly Health Talks

3rd Tuesdays 10:45 a.m.
Feb. 19

Once a month, local healthcare professionals will provide information on a variety of subjects. Great information and a healthy snack will be served. This month, Derik and Gina from Brookdale will present BLUE ZONES. We'll learn about area in the world called BLUE ZONES where people live longer and are healthier. What do they do different than us? How can we improve our habits?

Movie Matinee

3rd Wednesdays 12:30 p.m.

Enjoy a movie on the big screen at Center Towers— plus free popcorn. Closed captions provided. FREE.

Feb. 20: Tully

Marlo (Charlize Theron) has always done everything on her own, but after her third child comes along, she starts to fray at the edges. When she finally caves and hires an energetic and free spirited night nanny, Tully, she discovers a side of herself that had long been dormant and begins to come out of her shell. But it turns out Tully isn't everything she seems to be...

Mah Jongg

Thursdays 1–4 p.m.

This tile-based game developed in China during the Qing dynasty and has spread throughout the world since the early 20th century. Mah jongg is a game of skill, strategy, and calculation, and involves a degree of chance! Come find out what the game is all about. No experience necessary and it's so much fun! Put your mind to work during the long cold winter! No RSVP needed. FREE!

Pots & Pans Cooking Class

3rd Thursdays 1:30 p.m.

Learn seasonal recipes and techniques in this hands on, relaxed, and fun class. No experience necessary, and you get to eat what we prepare. Reservations to Julie* are a must for this one, as the class size is limited. Cost: \$10 for members and \$12 for guests.

Feb. 21: Challah Bread Pudding

Art Fridays:

Painting with Melissa

2nd Fridays 10:30 a.m.

The second Friday of the month finds us dabbling in all kinds of art mediums, from pottery to painting, paper cutting to planting. No experience is required, but reservations are a must so that we can have the proper amount of supplies for each artist.

Feb. 8 Lavender with Lois

Lavender is commonly used in aromatherapy. The fragrance from the oils of the lavender plant is believed to promote calmness and wellness. It's also said to help reduce stress, anxiety, and possibly mild pain. Learn about the healing properties of lavender oil and make lavender based bath products to enjoy at home. Please RSVP to Julie by Feb. 5. Cost: \$10 for members and \$12 for guests.*

Be Tay Avon Café

Usually on the 4th Friday 11:30 am

Feb. 22

Join your friends for a short Shabbat, delicious brunch, and select speakers. Cost: Free-will donation, but reservations are a must so Julie can prepare enough food for all to enjoy. This program is supported by a grant from the Edward I. Abramson Program Fund. Please RSVP* to Julie by Tues., Jan. 22. Watch for fliers announcing brunch menu and speaker selection!

* Please RSVP to Julie LeFever, Adults Program Coordinator, at jlefever@shawjcc.org or 330-835-0027. Visit www.shawjcc.org for a complete listing of programs.

Dreamgirls at Weathervane

Sunday, Feb. 24 at 2:30 p.m.

Mark your calendars for a matinee performance of *Dreamgirls* at the Weathervane Playhouse and an early bird dinner following. *Dreamgirls* is a sweeping and inspirational journey through 20th century American popular music. *Dreamgirls* chronicles one Motown group's rise from obscurity to superstardom. Through gospel, R&B, smooth pop, disco and more, *Dreamgirls* explores themes of ambition, hope, and betrayal, all set in the glamorous

and competitive world of the entertainment industry. We've got great tickets in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th rows. Meet at Weathervane Playhouse for the 2:30 show. Join us for an early bird dinner (on your own) at The Merchant Tavern (across the street from the theater) following the production if you'd like. Cost: \$20 with dinner on your own. Reservations can be made by calling or emailing Julie at 330-835-0027 or jlefever@shawjcc.org

Order Purim Gift Boxes for Family, Friends!

In celebration of the Purim miracle that the Jews were saved from Haman, they celebrated with acts of kindness to each other. We commemorate that time with the same gestures. On Purim day it's a mitzvah to send Mishloach Manot, a gift of at least two kinds of foods to a friend.

Women's Chavurah will be organizing the 21st Annual Community Purim Gift Box Project. If you have never received a Purim Box in the past and would like to receive one, please call 330-606-9876 as soon as possible.

Forms will be mailed, or you can order online. We are grateful to the Lippman Kanfer Family Foundation for their annual sponsorship.

Potluck at Beth El on Feb. 8

Welcome Shabbat with a potluck dinner on Feb. 8 at 6 p.m., followed by Lev Tahor service at 7 p.m. Dessert will be served after the service. Bring a food to share based on your last name: A-F: side dish; G-M: main dish; N-R: salad; and S-Z: dessert

All food must be vegetarian or dairy and served in disposable or glass containers. Prepare enough for six-eight servings, and label your food. We will provide beverages, plates, napkins, silverware and serving pieces. Even if you are unable to attend the potluck, join Beth El for its Lev Tahor (monthly musical Shabbat). Please RSVP to the Beth El Office at 330-864-2105, ext. 110, so that they know how many tables to set up. Help with set-up and clean-up is also needed.

Local Synagogue Schedules

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330-867-7292
www.akronshul.com
Rabbi Moshe Sasonkin

Shacharit

Sunday, 8 a.m.
New! Everyday: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.
Shabbat, 9 a.m.

Mincha & Maariv

Sunday - Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, sunset

Torah Studies with Rabbi Sasonkin

Tuesday at 8 p.m.; for men and women

BETH EL CONGREGATION

750 White Pond Drive, Akron
330-864-2105
www.bethelakron.com
Rabbi Elyssa Austerklein
Hazzan Matt Austerklein

Friday Night Services, 2nd Friday of the month at 7 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Services, 9:15 a.m.

Shacharit: Wednesdays and Fridays, 7:30 a.m. and Sundays, 8:45 a.m. Additional weekday minyans by request, either 7:30 a.m. or 7:30 p.m. Please send requests to the rabbi.

TEMPLE BETH SHALOM

50 Division Street, Hudson
330-656-1800
info@tbshudson.org
Rabbi Michael Ross

Friday Night Services

Held twice a month at 7:45 p.m., normally on the second and fourth Fridays of the month

TEMPLE ISRAEL

91 Springside Drive, Akron
330-665-2000
www.templeisraelakron.org
Rabbi Josh Brown
Cantor Kathy Fromson

Friday Night Services: 6:15 pm

Torah Study: Saturdays at 9:00 am

Saturday Morning Services: 10:30 am

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Candle
Lighting
Times

It is considered a great mitzvah and responsibility to honor the Sabbath by lighting candles 18 minutes before sunset on Friday evening.

Friday, Feb. 1	5:25 pm
Friday, Feb. 8	5:34 pm
Friday, Feb. 15	5:42 pm
Friday, Feb. 22	5:51 pm
Friday, March 1	5:59 pm

Beyond Fiddler - A Special Concert Weekend

HAZZAN MATTHEW AUSTERKLEIN
BETH EL CONGREGATION

Who are Jews? It is so common in our lives that people just simply don't know who we are — personally, culturally, and religiously. Most Americans know about Jews from, of all things, Fiddler on the Roof, the most performed musical in high schools in the United States. Today more than ever, in the wake of anti-Semitism and our political climate, we need to be known — not for fame but for our shared future.

There may not be an app for that, but there is a concert for that. On Sunday, Feb. 24 at 3 pm, Beth El Congregation invites you and your friends and colleagues of Jewish, Christian, Muslim, or any other background to come to a free concert: "Beyond Fiddler: Jews & Judaism in Song" at the Akron-Summit County Main Library auditorium. Sponsored by the John Leopold & Martha Dellheim Foundation and the Jewish Theological Seminary, this contemporary program will include songs in Jewish folk, a cappella, cantorial, Sephardi, rock, and other styles of music expressing Jewish life (and, yes, a little bit of Fiddler, too). Our performers include Hazzan Bruce Braun from Shaaray Torah in Canton and me, together with the JTS Cantorial School Dean, Cantor Nancy Abramson, and three cantorial students: Jacob Agar, Mira Davis, and Eryka Velazquez. We're also happy to welcome home Akron native Scott Stein on piano.

The concert is FREE and open to the public, followed by a festive dessert reception. We are grateful for this special partnership with JTS and the H.L. Miller Cantorial School, together with our co-presenters Shaaray Torah in Canton and Shaarey Tikvah In Beachwood.

Beth El will also include special weekend events including an energetic Friday night service on Feb. 22 at 5:30 p.m., led by Hazzan Matt, Cantor Abramson and Ms. Velazquez, followed by an affordable, festive Friday night dinner at 6:30 p.m.) Sign-up is online at www.bethelakron.com or through the Beth El Office at 330-864-2105. Both of our musical guests will participate in Shabbat morning services on Feb. 23 at 9:15 a.m., where Dean Abramson will also speak to the congregation.



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RCJ PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Rubber City Jews is looking for dedicated members to join our leadership team, host events, and potentially contribute to other organizations, committees, and boards in the Akron Jewish community.

Do you have experience in finance, organization, marketing, communications, design, or even architecture? Do you have event ideas? Do you have a passion for interfaith initiatives? Do you wish to grow your skill set and interact with highly experienced professionals in your field? There are many opportunities to get involved. Please email us at rubbercityjews@gmail.com for details for questions.

If you would like to host a RCJ event, such as a Shabbat dinner or a game night, please let us know how many people you can host, if your home is family friendly, and if you have any pets. Dates and times for hosting are flexible, and RCJ will cover all costs! RCJ truly appreciates your interest and dedication in helping our program grow!

Upcoming Events include: a Splatter Party at Akron Artworks, Coffee and a Concert on Feb. 24, and the Community Shabbat Dinner on March 1 (special rate at the RCJ table for RCJ- Ticket holders).

RCJ works in partnership with and in support of the Jewish Community Board of Akron, the Sands-Rogovy Fund, and the Albert L. and Janet A. Schultz Endowment Fund for Jewish Programming.

RCJ Member Spotlight

Sandy Ginsburg



- ▶ **Been involved with RCJ for :** A little over three years, two of which I served as treasurer, which was valuable professional development experience, and I made some great friends along the way.
- ▶ **Where I'm from:** I've lived all over, but mostly grew up on the east side of Cleveland. I've never actually lived in Akron, only nearby. I've recently lived in Medina and just moved to North Canton.
- ▶ **Job:** I'm a data analyst at US Acute Care Solutions; basically, I play with numbers (spreadsheets, code, charts, graphs, heat maps, etc.)
- ▶ **Favorite food:** Banana Laffy Taffy
- ▶ **Favorite music:** Hip hop (except mumble rap)
- ▶ **Hobbies:** Kayaking, biking, golfing, skiing, ice skating. I also like board games and stand-up comedy
- ▶ **Favorite thing about Akron:** The Jewish community
- ▶ **Favorite RCJ program:** The people — I've definitely made some really good friends through the organization. It's hard to say what my favorite event is because there are so many great ones. But one that stands out is Sushi in the Sukkah; pretty much everyone is there, and I've made a tradition of eating as much Philadelphia roll sushi as humanly possible at the event each year.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, AT 3:00 P.M.

Get to know the Jewish people beyond the Broadway stage and hear songs of Jewish faith, family life, languages, and holidays, performed by local cantors and cantorial students from The Jewish Theological Seminary.

The concert is

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Enjoy this unique afternoon exploring Jewish culture through music, featuring



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Cantor Bruce Braun,
Shaaray Torah (Canton, OH)

and students of JTS's H. L. Miller Cantorial School



Jacob Agar



Mira Davis



Eryka Velazquez



Scott Stein, piano

Akron-Summit County Public Library

Main Library Auditorium
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This program is cosponsored by the John Leopold and Martha Dellheim Endowment Fund and the H. L. Miller Cantorial School and College of Jewish Music of The Jewish Theological Seminary.

'Shabbat Shalom' Grief Support Group Held Monthly

On the last Shabbat of the month, there will be an open grief support group held at Beth El. All are welcome, and no RSVP is necessary. Sessions are facilitated by a professional grief counselor in coordination with Jewish Family Service. The funding for this program is made possible through a grant from the Edward I Abramson JCBA Programming Fund. The group will meet from 12:15-1:15 p.m. following the extended Kiddush after services. The next meeting will be on Saturday, Feb. 23.

Free Lecture at KSU about Poland's Memory Conflicts Related to Jewish Past

Dr. Jolanta Ambrosewicz-Jacobs will discuss "Memory Conflicts in Poland Related to the Jewish Past and the Holocaust" on Monday, Feb. 4 from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. The free lecture is open to all and includes lunch. It will be held at the Kent State Student Center, Room 306.

Ambrosewicz-Jacobs is a professor at Institute for European Studies at Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland. The event is sponsored by the Jewish Studies program at Kent State University and the Kosciuszko Foundation - American Center of Polish Culture.

Make a Contribution

Celebrate or honor a loved one or friend with a contribution to one of the many funds we manage, which support various programs and expenses. See the lists of the funds below. Tributes are a minimum of \$10.

- **Funds at the JCBA**
Call 330-869-2424
- **Funds at JFS**
Call 330-867-3388
- **Funds at the Shaw JCC**
Call 330-867-7850

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www.jtsa.edu/beyond-fiddler



Rose & Lawrence Schwartz Holocaust Education Fund

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- Alan Adler from: Jon & Carol Adler; Alisha Bretzfelder Bohn; Andi & Mitch Ehrenberg; Nora & Terry France; Ruth & Nick George; Sheri & Stuart Glauberman; Shelley & Larry Kaye; Elaine & Michael Neumann; Debbie Rothbard; Bob & June Seidel; Dr. & Mrs. Howard Semins; Carmie & Todd Stein & Family; Ken & Norma Schneiderman; Chery & David Venarge

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- Fran Lieberman from Herb & Ellen Moss
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- Scott Zorn from Herb & Ellen Moss

Sherbondy Hill Cemetery Fund

In Memory of

- Eleanor Givens from Deborah Givens

Jewish National Fund

In Memory of

- Fran Lieberman from Daughters of Israel
- Sybil Willen from Daughters of Israel

Jewish Welfare Fund

In Memory of

- Scott Zorn from Sid & Faye Glick

Barbara Pollock Scholarship Award Fund

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- Patsy & Alan Siff's new home from Leona Pollock

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- Rob & Andrea Minster on the birth of their new grandchild

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- Mark Penner from Barbara, Ed, Max, Lindsay & Jake Penner Beckert
- Rich Penner from Barbara, Ed, Max, Lindsay & Jake Penner Beckert
- Libby Lawrence's Birthday from Barbara, Ed, Max, Lindsay & Jake Penner Beckert

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- Francine Lieberman from Harriet & Jack Neiman
- Dr. William Littman from Harriet & Jack Neiman
- Ron Penner from Barbara, Ed, Max & Jake Penner Beckert
- Fran Lieberman from Sandy & Mort Emerman & Family
- Sybil Willen from Harriet & Jack Neiman

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Visiting Our Jewish Cemeteries



The Jewish Community Board of Akron is responsible for maintaining four cemeteries: Sherbondy, South Street, Workman's Circle and Farband.

South Street and Sherbondy are always locked. Occasionally, someone forgets to lock up after they leave. Workman's Circle and Farband are open year-round. You may stop at the Shaw JCC front desk and sign out a gate key. Be sure to return the key to the front desk on your way home from the cemetery. Please phone the JCBA at 330-869-2424 if you notice any maintenance issues that should be addressed.

Burial Lots Available

The Jewish Community Board of Akron (JCBA) has lots available at Sherbondy Hill, Workman's Circle and Farband. The purchase price of each lot is \$950, plus perpetual care at \$500. NOTE: Perpetual care does not include opening and closing a grave, removing excess soil, leveling and seeding the area surrounding the grave after the ground has settled. That responsibility remains with the family. Contact the JCBA at 330-869-2424.

Make a Tribute in Memory

Make a tribute to the Cemetery Fund in memory of a loved one. Contact the JCBA at 330-869-2424.

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