



Executive Director's Letter

I've been in the role of Executive Director for about a month, and continue to be humbled by the support you have shown in welcoming me to the Federation and the community. I have had the privilege of meeting many of you, and look forward to meeting many others over the coming weeks and months.



Marisa Reed
Executive Director

It is easy for me to see why the West Michigan Jewish community is as vibrant as it is. I see the Federation as being an integral component, and I am honored to be part of a team filled with bright, energetic, dedicated, and passionate professionals and volunteers. I thank all of you for your tireless efforts, and am very excited about working together to further the mission of the Federation.

Last month, I represented the Federation at the 2017 Jewish Federation North America Professional Institute and Small Federation Executives' Institute. There were over 300 attendees from 87 Jewish Federations throughout the U.S. and Canada. It was a tremendous opportunity to network, share ideas, and brainstorm about how we can face our shared challenges. I returned to Grand Rapids with many ideas that I've already begun to explore.

We are exceptionally fortunate to benefit from your generosity. With one month left in our Annual Campaign, a heart-felt thank you to those who have already contributed. For those who haven't, I respectfully ask that you consider doing so. Please remember that every dollar counts. I have had the chance to meet with some of the recipients of the donated funds, and it is clear to me that we are impacting people's lives in a very positive and meaningful way.

This is *our* Federation, and I look forward to hearing all of your thoughts and ideas.

Happy Pesach!
Marisa

Our Mission

Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids unites the local Jewish community to sustain and strengthen Jews locally, in Israel, and around the world.

This mission is accomplished by providing services to the community and through fundraising and allocation efforts.

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on Facebook!**

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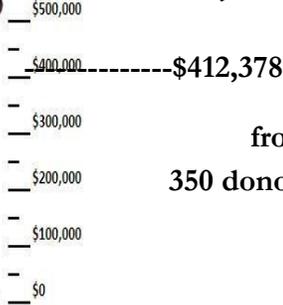
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Campaign 2016

Goal: \$425,000



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Pay in full or set up installments.

You can even pay online at www.jewishgrandrapids.org

Any new gift or increase is matched dollar for dollar by a challenge grant

*Total does not include matching grants.

**Matching Grants
Campaign 2016**

The **Louis and Helen Padnos Foundation** has made a dollar-for-dollar matching grant commitment for all new gifts and increases in contributions.

In addition, the **Hy and Greta Berkowitz Foundation** has made a similar matching grant commitment for new gifts and increases in contributions from donors age 50 and under.

Have you ever thought about contributing to, or setting up, a **L'dor Vador Endowment Fund** to help ensure the future of our Jewish community?

Please contact the Federation office at 616-942-5553 or info@jfgr.org to learn more.



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ANNUAL CAMPAIGN



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Please cut out this pledge card, fill it in and send it to the Federation office.

I HEREBY PLEDGE TO THE FEDERATION ANNUAL CAMPAIGN THE SUM OF: \$ _____

DONOR'S SIGNATURE

Method of Payment: Check Stock
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Name _____

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Please consider a 10% increase

Exp. Date: _____ Card Number _____
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Why Donate to Federation?

The current annual campaign of the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids campaign closes April 30. There is a pledge card in this issue you can mail in, or donate online at: www.jfgr.org.

Remember that each new gift or increase is matched, dollar for dollar by two matching grants. If you are age 50 or younger, your gift is tripled.

Thank you to everyone who has donated a personally meaningful gift to the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids. Your gift is fulfilling an opportunity to help inspire Jewish identity and demonstrate solidarity with your fellow Jews in West Michigan and around the world.

Examples of the programs and services your gift to Federation supports are:

LOCAL

- United Jewish School
- Jewish Theatre Grand Rapids
- Temple Emanuel Food Bank
- Senior and Medical Transportation
- Emergency Loans and Direct Payments to help our local Jews in need
- Cultural, Educational and Social Programming
- Hillels at Michigan universities
- Michigan Israel Business Bridge
- Shir Shalom Choir

*"Who occupies himself with the needs of the community is as though he occupies himself with Torah."
~~ Talmud Yerushalmi, Berakbot*

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL

- Anti-Defamation League (standing up to anti-Semitism and supporting diversity education)
- Israel Action Network and Jewish Council for Public Affairs (speaking out against the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions, (BDS) or any anti-Israel movement and supporting pro-Israel activities)
- Birthright Israel (sending young Jewish adults to Israel)
- Jewish Agency for Israel (supporting social service needs in Israel)
- American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (supporting social service needs around the world)



Treasures in the Attic

Appraisal Presentation (Antique Road Show style)

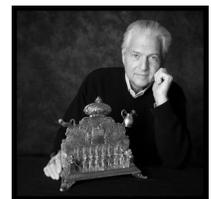
Find out more about that special object tucked away in your attic or inherited from a relative during this informative presentation. For questions, or to pre-register your item with Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids, please respond by April 21st by calling our office: 616-942-5553 or emailing: info@jfgr.org.

When: Sunday, April 23, 2017

Time: 7:00pm to 9:00pm
(30 minute presentation)

Where: Temple Emanuel
1715 East Fulton, Grand Rapids 49503

Cost: \$15 adults, \$5 college students, free for 18 years and under.



Arthur M. Feldman is an independent professional appraiser with over 25 years museum experience, having worked in curatorial and directorial capacities at the Victorian and Albert Museum, in London, England; the Renwick Gallery of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.; the Spertus Museum in Chicago, Illinois and the Miller Museum in Tulsa, Oklahoma. In addition, he has lectured on collecting antiques and Judaica throughout the nation. His knowledge base covers the full gamut of fine art and antiques.

Light refreshments will be served.

Funding provided by Rosenzweig-Coopersmith Foundation and many private donors



Edwin Black



New York Times bestselling author of *IBM and the Holocaust*
EXPLOSIVE AND STUNNING. *Newsweek*
BEYOND DISPUTE. *Washington Post*
UNDENIABLE. *Harvard International Review*

7 PM Thurs April 20, 2017

No Charge

for more info contact info@jgr.org or 616-942-5553

Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum

303 Pearl NW, Grand Rapids, MI

Sponsors: Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids in association with Jewish Federation of Flint, Henry Pestka Charitable Fund, Grand Valley State University and the Joseph Stevens Freedom Endowment.

Co-sponsors: StandWithUs, American Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists, Israeli-American Council, and Scholars for Peace in the Middle East.



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We couldn't do what we do without our donors support.

Help ensure another dazzling year of Jewish and Israel films

Visit us at: www.jewishgrandrapids.org

The 2017 Jewish Film Festival is once again bringing special movies to the Grand Rapids community. The committee has been previewing movies and planning special programs. As in previous years, the Film Festival will be held at Celebration! North Cinemas. Watch for more details about Festival events in our community mailings.

Film Festival is offering special rates through a **Flex Pass** (eight admissions) for **\$36**. Flex Pass ticket holders will have seats reserved until **THIRTY MINUTES** prior to the movie beginning. At that time, tickets will be sold for all seats.

PLEASE PLAN TO ARRIVE EARLY. That means even if you are holding a Flex Pass ticket, seats are not guaranteed later than thirty minutes prior to movie time. **Flex Pass tickets are only available until April 30th.**

The Film Festival also offers members of the community an opportunity to become an individual sponsor of the Jewish

Film Festival. Please read about the benefits of becoming a financial supporter below.

Individual Sponsors Get Great Benefits!

Director: (\$500) Receive two Flex Passes (16 admissions), recognition in all publications, and four admissions to all private receptions, dinners and events.

Producer: (\$250) Receive two Flex Passes (16 admissions), recognition in all publications, and two admissions to all private receptions, dinners and events.

Actor: (\$100) Receive one season punch card (8 admissions) and recognition in the program booklet.

Film Fan: If you would like to financially support the Jewish Film Festival and do not see a sponsorship that interests you, please feel free to send a contribution in any amount to the Federation office. You will be listed in the program booklet.

Yes! I would like to be a Film Festival Sponsor:

Deadline for your sponsorship to be listed is Friday April 21st.

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

_____ Film Festival Director (\$500)

_____ Film Festival Fan

_____ Film Festival Producer (\$250)

_____ Flex Pass (\$36.00)

_____ Film Festival Actor (\$100)

Mail this form and your check to:
Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids
 2727 Michigan NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506



Sunday, April 30 — Thursday, May 4



April 30 - Sunday

ABULELE Family matinee

96min – Adventure – Hebrew/English Subtitles

Ancient legends warn children about the *Abulele* - enormous, furry and sometimes dangerous monsters who are able to hide among the human race by making themselves invisible except to special children who are in need of a friend. In this heartfelt family film, Adam, a young boy grieving from the loss of his brother, discovers an *Abulele* living in his building. When Adam realizes that it is not the *Abulele*, but the humans who are the real monsters, he risks everything to save his friendly giant.



Co-sponsored by United Jewish School

April 30 - Sunday

DOUGH

94min – Comedy – English

Curmudgeon widower Nat Dayan clings to his way of life as a kosher bakery shop owner in London's East End. Understaffed, Nat reluctantly enlists the help of teenager Avyash, who has a secret side gig selling marijuana to help his immigrant mother make ends meet. When Avyash accidentally drops his stash into the mixing dough, the challah starts flying off the shelves and an unlikely friendship forms between the old Jewish baker and his young Muslim apprentice. *Dough* is a warm-hearted and humorous story about overcoming prejudice and finding redemption in unexpected places.



Dessert Reception

After the viewing of *Dough*, enjoy pastries and a chat with Danish baker Niels Bach.

May 1 - Monday

MY HERO BROTHER

77min – Documentary – Hebrew/English Subtitles

A group of remarkable young people with Down syndrome embark on a demanding trek through the India Himalayas, accompanied by their "normal" brothers and sisters. Unresolved conflicts and the complexities of growing up with a Down syndrome child in the family come to surface, while a heart-warming and special closeness develops among the siblings as they deal with formidable physical and emotional challenges. Through the eye of the camera, we catch a glimpse into the internal world of those with Down syndrome, and are led on our own journey of discovery and admiration as their inspiring natural qualities begin to emerge.



Guest Speaker from Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan

1:30pm

May 2 - Tuesday

FANNY'S JOURNEY

94min – Drama (based on true story) – French/English Subtitles

Bristling with suspense and moving in equal measure, *Fanny's Journey* tells the true story of exceptional bravery and survival against all odds. This beautiful, perfect, feel-good movie follows a group of children fleeing Nazi-occupied France as they learn about independence, and the value of friendship in the midst of tumultuous circumstances.



7:30pm

Wednesday, May 3

6:00pm

**Middle Eastern Dinner/Festival Prize Drawing
 In the Wave Room**

catered by Sheshco Mediterranean Grill

Cost: \$10.00

RSVP at Jewish Federation at 616-942-5553 or info@jfgr.org

May 3 - Wednesday

7:30pm

ROCK IN THE RED ZONE

87min – Documentary – English/Hebrew Subtitles

Rock in the Red Zone is a personal view from the ground on the frontlines of an endless war, and a powerful exploration into the lives and art of musicians struggling to create in a conflict zone. Filmmaker Laura Bialis encounters a creative community that captivates her, leads her to love and changes the course of her life. *Rock in the Red Zone* demonstrates the power of artistic creation to transcend even the most challenging circumstances. It also reminds us that sometimes in the least expected places, we can find magic.



Screening will be followed by Q&A session and a live musical performance by featured musician Avi Vaknin.

May 4 - Thursday

7:30pm

HARMONIA

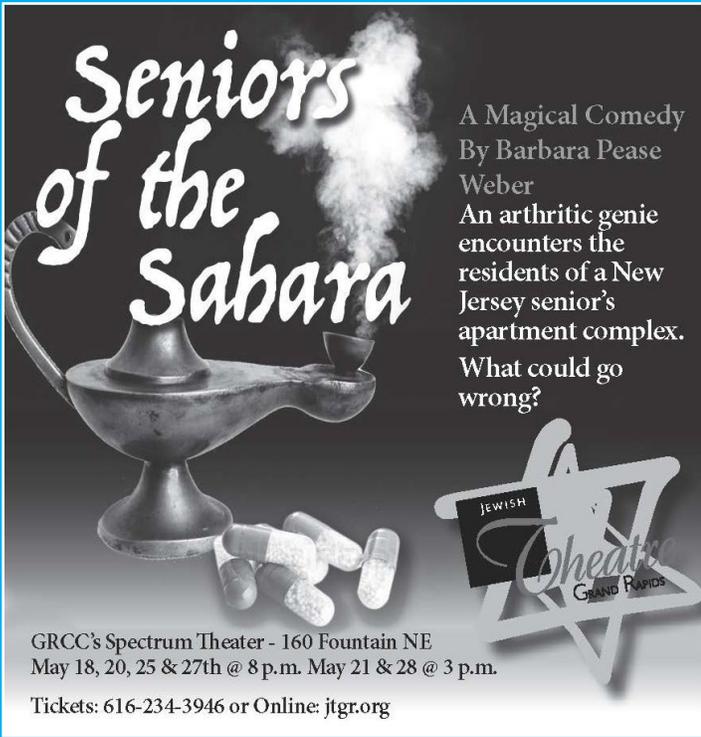
97min – Drama – Hebrew/English Subtitles

A contemporary variation of the biblical story of Abraham, Sarah, Hagar and Isaac. Sarah, a harpist with the Jerusalem Philharmonic Orchestra is married to its conductor Abraham. When Hagar, a young Palestinian horn player, joins the orchestra, the thin balance in their family is shaken. *Harmonia* uncovers the metaphoric emotional roots of the ancient conflict between two people living in Jerusalem, now seeking harmony through a dramatic encounter between Western and Eastern music.



Seniors of the Sahara

A Magical Comedy
By Barbara Pease Weber
An arthritic genie encounters the residents of a New Jersey senior's apartment complex. What could go wrong?



GRCC's Spectrum Theater - 160 Fountain NE
May 18, 20, 25 & 27th @ 8 p.m. May 21 & 28 @ 3 p.m.
Tickets: 616-234-3946 or Online: jtgr.org

NEW PJ LIBRARY THEMED INFANT/TOT PLAYGROUP FORMING. CALL IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!!!!

The playgroup will be Friday mornings. Come join other new parents and nosh and kibbitz while your little ones have fun playing. This group is for newborn to 5 year olds and their parents. We will have fun activities for all age groups, snacks and refreshments for everyone. If you would like to sign up or have any questions, please call the Federation office at 616-942-5553 or email info@jfrg.org.



Now infant through age 12!
Thank you to the Ravitz Foundation and Rosenzweig-Coopersmith Foundation

WHAT?
PJ Library® in Grand Rapids offers the gift of free, high quality Jewish books and music each month to children ages 6 months through 12 years all across North America.

A GIFT for JEWISH CHILDREN and their families.

WHY?
Our books celebrate important aspects of Jewish culture, values and tradition, and become cherished stories.

HOW?
Signing up is easy! To sign up for PJ Library, visit www.pjlibrary.org




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PJ Library in Grand Rapids is a gift from Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids in partnership with Ravitz Foundation, Rosenzweig-Coopersmith Foundation and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation.

Looking for Mahjongg players!

Fridays 1:00pm-4:00pm
This a casual game, but somewhat competitive. Players do not have to commit to every week. For more information contact Arlene Siegel at 616-446-8547



Betzalel Art Group

Thursdays, 2:30pm - 4:00pm
Ahavas Israel

Have some art fun with any painting or craft you enjoy doing. It's open to everyone. Please bring your own art or craft supplies, as they are not provided. For further information contact Pat Weller: 616-453-2954 or patandfred@tds.net



Hadassah Book Club

When: Wednesday, May 17, 2017
Time: 7:15pm
Location: Diane Broomberg, 2865 Lake Drive SE
Please RSVP to Diane at 616-949-6084 or email: larryb2829@gmail.com
Book: An Orphan's Tale by Pam Jenoff
Looking forward to seeing all of you. We are as always your "BOOK ENDS."
Sue Remes 616-949-3505
Flory Silverstein 616-949-5766





United Jewish School

ujspamrush@gmail.com
www.unitedjewishschool.org

Calendar:

April 2 Spring Break - no school
 April 9 Spring Break - no school
 April 16 Marc Rossio
 April 23 Service for grades 7-9 Yom Hashoah
 April 30 UJS Open House/Yom Ha'atz maot/Film Festival
 May 7
 May 14 Last Day of Classes/Mother's Day/Marc Rossio

Wanted:

Dynamic teachers for
 2017-2018

Please contact
ujspamrush@gmail.com

UJS along with the Reading for Trees project from the library raised over \$800 in tzedakah. This will be sent to JNF to plant a garden of trees in Israel.

School News

10th grade continues to visit different religious services in town to enhance their world religions curriculum. Confirmation studies begin March 19.

9th/10th/11th grades are gearing up for the annual New York trip June 18 – June 21

What's Happening Jewish Grand Rapids

April 2017 Calendar of Events

4	Chabad Kids club 4:30-6:30pm
10	First Seder at Chabad 9:00pm
11	Second Seder at Chabad 10:00pm Children Seder at Chabad 5:00pm
13	LGBT Passover Seder 6:30pm at Temple
16	Your Opinion Matters and Brunch 10am Temple
20	Edwin Black: How IBM Co-Planned and Co-Organized the Holocaust 7:00pm Gerald R. Ford Museum
23	Cultural Council Event Arthur Feldman: Treasures in the Attic 7:00pm Temple Emanuel
30	Film Festival begins <i>Abulele</i> 1:30pm <i>Dough</i> 7:30pm

Editor's Note – 'What's Happening' includes Jewish programming open to *all* members of our West Michigan Jewish community, whether offered by Federation, one of our congregations, cultural organizations or others. More information about these events can be found in *The Shofar*, on the Federation website, or from other Jewish organizations.

Please remember UJS in your contributions.
 We have a beautiful "**Tribute**" card that we can send to that special someone.

The New Rosters Are Here!

By Phyllis Horowitz

Over forty years ago, when I first came to Grand Rapids, I was made to feel welcome by the gift of a Jewish Community Roster. I used that little book as a go-to resource when I needed a phone number or an address, as well as a guide to businesses in my new community that were supportive of Jewish causes and concerns.

The person who gave me that Roster back in the mid 70's was Eileen Enoch.

Eileen has been the driving force behind the Roster - with, of course, the aid and assistance of tons of other volunteers who worked through frustration and anxiety to sell ads, get copy and get to print. I know sales of ads and Rosters have generated income for our various local organizations, and Eileen was involved in coordinating all the aspects of putting these books together. Over 40 + years!

Eileen Enoch really cared (and cares) about every aspect of this little book. Until her eyes began to fail her, she assiduously kept track of advertisers and sales, as well as the submitted ad copy and proofreading of same. She'd lay out the copy and the ads and measure for placement and readability. (She knows fractions!) She'd follow up with phone calls to folks who had neglected to pay in a timely manner. She knew every aspect and page of those books, year after year, advertiser after advertiser, issue after issue.

There's so much more to be said about the dedication, devotion and selfless work that Eileen has donated to our community in making sure we have this handy guidebook. So, with that in mind, won't you please join me in thanking her for half a lifetime of giving of herself to her community?

Next time you see her, give her a hug and a big "Thanks Eileen" for all she has done for us!

You can call to purchase your copy: 616-942-5553 Cost is \$10.



MISSION TO ISRAEL!

The Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids is in the process of organizing a mission to Israel.

We would like to invite anyone interested to meet and brainstorm possible dates and areas of interest.

If you are interested, please contact our office:

[616-942-5553](tel:616-942-5553) or info@jfgr.org

Chabad House of West Michigan

Community Passover Seder

Chabad west Michigan invites you to join us for a warm interactive Passover Seder. Relive the exodus, discover the eternal meaning of the Haggadah, and enjoy a community Seder complete with hand-baked Matzah, wine, and a wonderful dinner spiced with unique traditional customs.

First Seder Night: Monday, April 10th, 9:00pm

Second Seder Night: Tuesday, April 11th, 10:00pm

Children's Seder: Tuesday, April 11th, 5:00pm

At the Chabad House

2615 Michigan St., Grand Rapids, MI 49506

Open to the entire Jewish community regardless of background or affiliation. For more information or to reserve, please Call 616-957-0770 or email

Rabbiyyw@ChabadWM.com

Chabad Kids Club - Mini Chefs

Tuesday, April 4th | 4:30-6:30pm

Potato Kugel. Experience the joy of Kosher Cooking! Prepare scrumptious potato Kugel just in time for Passover. Mini Chefs is a unique culinary experience that gives your children the opportunity to cook, bake and decorate fabulous Jewish themed foods and take home their own handmade creations For Jewish Boys & Girls ages 5-11. \$10 per session (includes light dinner)

For more information or to RSVP Contact Rivka at 616.206.9654

Cteen Grand Rapids

Part of the Fastest Growing Jewish Teen Network in the World! **Sunday, April 23RD | 1:00-3:00pm**

Cteen Day- Hear first hand from a Holocaust Survivor.

Cteen Junior

Date: Thursday, April 27th | 4-6PM

Topic: Ahavas Yisroel - United as one

Activity: Spread the joy and bring a friend. Together make friendship bracelets or a keychain for each other. Giving back: Spa packages to give to moms who need it most. For Jewish Boys & Girls Grades 6th- 8th. Enrich your own Jewish pride while giving back to the community For more information or to RSVP for CTeen or CTeen Junior, Contact Rivka at 616.206.9654

Jewish Woman's Circle Sunday, May 21st

"The Three Gifts"

Jewish Woman's Circle ~ Spa and Luncheon A day of inspiration, relaxation and rejuvenation celebrating the Jewish woman. For more Info or to RSVP contact Nechamy at 616-828-234 or Nechamy8@gmail.com

Gan Israel Day Camp

A Jewish summer experience of a lifetime!

Camp Gan Israel is designed to make your child's summer vacation fun, stimulating and entertaining!

The Camp Gan Israel experience is a unique combination of Jewish pride and fun!

Dates: June 26th - July 14th 2017

Kiddy Camp: Ages 3-5, 9:00am - 3:30pm

Main Division: Ages 6-10, 9:00am - 3:30pm

Pre - Teen Division: Ages 11-12, 9:00am - 3:30pm

Tuition fees cover all activities, snacks, and trips.

3 week session: \$550. Per week: \$200. For registration or for more info please contact Rivka at (616)206.9654 or email us at campganisraelgr@gmail.com

Temple Emanuel

Passover Seder for LGBT Community and their Allies

There will be a special pot-luck Passover Seder for members of the LGBTQ community and their allies. Thursday, April 13th at 6:30pm at Temple. This will be the 4th annual event, which has outgrown the homes where it has been hosted in the past. This Seder blends elements of the traditional Passover Seder with modern sensibilities and themes of LGBT liberation. All are welcome! There is no charge, but donations to cover food and wine are happily accepted, as are Passover dishes to pass (meat, no dairy, no bread or flour). Gifts of wine will be most appreciated. RSVP to Gregory Gronbacher 616-710-06 or Len Robinson 616-340-8619 no later than April 7th.

Sneak Preview of JTGR's *Seniors of the Sahara*

Join us on Sunday, April 30th at 10am in the Lewis Social Hall for a sneak preview of the next Jewish Theater Grand Rapids production *Seniors of the Sahara* by Barbara Pease Weber. Bagels and coffee will be served. Performances of *Seniors of the Sahara* are at Spectrum Theater on the GRCC campus starting on May 18th.

Your Opinion Matters & Brunch

Each month Jim Siegel prepares a delicious meal and a juicy topic for debate. Join us on **Sunday, April 16th** at 10:00am in the Lewis Social Hall to enjoy both.

The April topic is: ***Are your fears killing you?*** We will discuss how Shakespeare's famous quote: "Cowards die many times before their deaths, The valiant never taste of death but once." And how this applies to our everyday life. This event is free of charge, but Jim needs to have a head count for the meal. Contact Jim Siegel at jims@siegeljewelers.com to reserve your spot!

April Book Club

At our next meeting on April 27th, we will discuss a memoir by Amos Oz called A Tale of Love and Darkness. Amos Oz is one of Israel's most prolific authors and has received many literary awards. The group is open to anyone who enjoys reading Jewish themed fiction and non-fiction. Call the Temple office for more information: 616-459-5976.

Endowment/Seniors

Life cycle times, both happy and sad, are traditional times to make donations to Jewish causes. You can make a donation of \$10 or more to the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids in honor or in memory of members of our community. We then will acknowledge that donation with a card to that individual or family. This is a wonderful way to send your good wishes and be able to fulfill the mitzvah of tzedakah.

Please be sure to indicate what the occasion is and who is to receive the card. Please specify which of the following funds you would like your donation to be credited to:

Woman of Valor Fund To honor the women in our lives who have made a difference personally, locally or nationally.

Federation General Endowment/L'Dor Vador Fund To help ensure the continued work of the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids for now and the future.

Julian and Judith Joseph Fund To provide for local programming and events through the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids.

David and Susan Samrick Youth Scholarship Fund To provide scholarships to Jewish sleep away camps and experiences.

Chuck and Maxine Shapiro Fund To help ensure long-term aid to Israel and Jews around the world.

Louis and Louise Weiner Fund To help ensure local programming for seniors in the Grand Rapids Jewish Community.

Jerry and Judy Subar Fund To help ensure funding for overseas Jewish communities' needs.

Leven Family Fund To establish and provide Jewish facilities, and support for cooperative programming among the congregations that support Jewish education for our youth.

Sam and Jane Kravitz Social Services Fund To support Jewish social services in Grand Rapids.

Donna G. Boorstein Memorial Fund To help ensure funding for Jewish arts, culture and history in Greater Grand Rapids

Lois and Sheldon Kahn Health Help Fund To support health services for Jewish community members not covered by other financial resources

*Thank you for supporting the
Grand Rapids Jewish Community*

*Make a tribute gift to
Thank,
Honor,
Memorialize
friends and loved ones.*

Lunch Bunch! Thursday, April 20 at Licari's Sicilian Pizza Kitchen



2869 Knapp St. NE
11:30 am
Cost: \$10

RSVP by Tuesday April 18 to Ann at
616-942-5553
or email ann@ifgr.org.

Transportation available by calling our office.

Lunch Bunch

SAVE THE DATES
In 2017

- **May 18**
- **June 22**



JFGR Endowment Fund Donation Form

Donation from: Name _____ Fund (pick from list) _____
 Donor Address _____ In honor of _____
 Donor City/St/Zip _____ In memory of _____
 Send card to: Name _____ Notes: _____
 Send card to address _____ **Send your donation and this form to:**
 Send card to City/St/Zip _____ **2727 Michigan NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506**

The Shofar

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Grand Rapids, MI 49506-1240

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April 19, 2017



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