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Annual Meeting Report of the Executive Director

Editor's note: Dina Weinbach, Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Madison, gave this oral report at the Annual Meeting on November 20, 2016.

It is a privilege to stand here for my fifth oral report as your Executive Director. I definitely have more gray hair than when I started but that is because somehow my age increased; but at the same time I have gained both knowledge and experience. Thank you for this opportunity and thank you for the trust you have in me to serve as your Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Madison – an organization whose mission I share wholeheartedly; an organization whose members are dedicated, committed, and passionate; and an organization that touches more Jewish lives than any other organization in the world.

Every year since its founding in 1940, the Federation has remained strong and adds to its accomplishments. This past year was no exception. For the sake of time, these are only some of the highlights. More programs and activities can be found in the Annual Report and it also includes the outstanding local agencies the Federation supports, the national organizations, and the overseas agencies.

• **Camp Shalom** completed its sixty-

third summer, the sixteenth at the Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman Jewish Community Campus, serving 656 campers. **Camp Shalom Noar Bogrim** served 275 sixth through ninth grade campers. The success of Camp Shalom is due to many factors, the staff being the most important. We were privileged to have 115 staff serving our two day camps this past summer.

• \$105,500 in **Camp Shalom scholarships** was awarded to 193 or nearly a quarter of our campers who would otherwise have been unable to attend camp. Camp Shalom has never denied a child a camp experience based on financial need. We are extremely proud of this accomplishment, and are thankful of the generous support of our scholarship donors.

• A total of \$15,500 in full and partial **Gan HaYeled Preschool scholarships** were awarded to students in one or more of the programs

• In partnership with the Foundation for Jewish Camping, the Federation made available up to \$1,000 through **One Happy Camper** to help send thirteen children to Jewish resident camps for the first time.

• Our Federation was one of the founding members of the Madison Metropolitan School District's Superinten-

dent's Human Relations Advisory Council (**SHRAC**) in the 1960's. Today I serve as co-chair and on behalf of the Federation work with other organizations and groups whose missions are related to equity, diversity and social justice to provide advice and guidance to the superintendent.

• We continue to monitor and respond to incidents of **anti-Semitism** in our community and are ever vigilant in protecting individual and civil rights and safety for Jews as well as for all people.

• **Community Outreach** efforts this past year included meeting with over 50 families who are new to Madison, who recently had a baby, or who want to learn more about the Jewish community. The primary charge of our Outreach Program is to connect and engage individuals and families with the many opportunities available to live Jewishly in the Madison area. Programs this past year included twenty-eight families in the Yad B'Yad (parent/caregiver/baby) group; thirty-four active players on the "Matzah Balls" sports team (since fall 2015, they have played five sports: kickball, dodgeball, volleyball, flag football, and basketball);

two kids clothing swaps a year; created a JAM (Jewish Adults of Madison) group; and a SPF (Singles, Professionals and Families) group for adults in their 20's, 30's and 40's to help build a strong Jewish community and develop new leaders through meaningful social, educational, and philanthropic activities.

• Our community will send ten Madisonians to Israel in January through our **Partnership 2Gether** program to run in the Tiberias Marathon and spend a week with Israeli families learning about their community and building relationships. These connections will continue for years to come.

• In August, we began the fourteenth year of participating in the **Shlichut** program offered by the Jewish Agency for Israel. Our wonderful Shlichim Daniel Gil and Shirly Gil-Raiz are in their second year. They work hard to develop, organize, and facilitate Israel educational programs for all parts of the community including the UW campus.

• **JewishMadison.org** continues to be a wonderful resource for our community. We thank our Web sponsors, BMO Harris

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The Importance of Building Bridges

By MARC SHOVERS, PRESIDENT

Jewish Federation of Madison

Editor's note: A message shared at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Madison

Ten members of the Madison Jewish community attended the 2016 Jewish Federations of North America General Assembly in Washington, DC. We heard from many fascinating speakers, including Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg; NBC Meet the Press host Chuck Todd; two young Jewish and Muslim women who are best friends and attend the Jewish Federations of North America-supported Maimonides School in Casablanca, Morocco, which for decades has educated Jews and Muslims together; and, by live teleconference from Jerusalem, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Convention attendees also had the great privilege of being able to visit the new African-American History Museum after hours. We attended many inspiring workshops covering topics including: how to fight BDS, how to engage millennials, growing the donor base, and the current state of relations between the African-American and Jewish communities.

If I had to think of one theme that ran

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Federation Statement Against Bigotry

The Jewish Federation of Madison stands opposed to the Federal appointment of all individuals who spread, perpetuate, or advocate bigotry in any form. Bigotry – including anti-Semitism, racism, Islamophobia, homophobia, sexism, gender-identity phobia, and xenophobia – has no place in our society and in the government of the United States. Nor is it defensible for government officials to permit ambiguity regarding their views on bigotry to persist, as ambiguity can often be interpreted as providing tacit support for groups that support these views. Our country's founding declaration affirms that all people are created equal, and we call upon President-elect Trump to require all of his appointees to adhere to this fundamental American principle.

In addition, we call on members of the Senate to exercise care in their scrutiny of those nominees who come before them, and to uphold America's founding values in their confirmation votes. We call on the news media to focus on substance by probing the biases and explicating the policy implications of proposed or approved members of the new administration.

One of the central values of Judaism, Tikkun Olam, directs us to "repair the world," working toward a just, fair, and caring society. As Jews, we have a long memory and know too well what happens in our ailing world when marginalized people become targets and scapegoats. We call on all in our community to raise our voices to condemn bigotry, no matter the source, whenever and wherever it occurs. From a bigoted joke or comment to outright words and acts of hate – call people out on it, condemn it, and challenge it. And let us stay especially vigilant against its encroachment into our public discourse, even into our government.

~December 8, 2016

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Over the past 76 years and even over the past five years, our community and our needs have changed. Our mission and values, however, are timeless. It is these three elements – needs, mission and values – that are the foundation of our responsibilities – both for our local community and global community. Together we address these needs as a powerful collective. Even as we convene here tonight, we are helping people here at home and throughout the world. Through our partners at the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency for Israel, we are helping take care of the 5,000 Jewish citizens in the conflict area in Ukraine who, for whatever reason, cannot leave. We are helping Jews from Ethiopia and Yemen arrive safely in Israel and we continue to help them adjust to their new home, learn Hebrew, and have the essentials to live. We are helping to support the Maimonides school in Morocco where Jewish and Muslim students attend school together, a school that fosters lifelong friendships along with their families. We are helping a struggling Jewish community in Athens, Greece, remain vibrant and strong despite the rise of anti-Semitism. These are just a few examples of the work of the Federation that our delegation of ten people learned about at the Jewish Federations of North America General Assembly held earlier this week in Washington, D.C.

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel wrote, "A Jew is asked to take a leap of action rather than a leap of faith." You may ask "how can we take action?" I'm so glad you asked.

◆ We need to continue to **engage** more people and invite them to join in the programs, activities, and the work of the Federation. Our outreach efforts will continue to connect people with all aspects of the Jewish community but we can all play a role and act on that.

◆ We need to **ensure the success of our campaign**. Without a successful and growing campaign, the Jewish Federation would not and cannot exist. Please talk with people about the importance of our mission and values and meeting the ever-changing critical needs and challenges of our community and the Jewish community worldwide. Again, Federations are the only organization in the world that touches more Jewish lives than any other.

◆ The goal for the 2016 Tzedakah Campaign, led by Alicia Schiff, is **\$1,018,000**. Every year there are significant losses due to deaths, moves, and other reasons. At this point, we are 66% of the way to our goal. Please act and make your own increased pledge to the Campaign. If you have already made your pledge, thank you; this evening is the perfect time and opportunity to increase it. If you have not made your pledge yet, please do so tonight. I will be delighted to receive your signed pledge card before you leave. Thank you.

◆ For our future and our financial sta-

bility, we need to continue to work on our **planned giving program**. The Jewish Federation of Madison Endowment Committee, expertly chaired by Rob Roquette, has been working on this diligently. We have the potential to alleviate some of the uncertainty of the annual campaign if we create more endowment funds and bequests. Leaving a legacy shows our commitment to the Jewish future; it shows a desire to carry on the values instilled by our parents, grandparents, and the founders of this organization; it is an opportunity to give back, share our good fortune, and make a difference. We are part of something larger than ourselves. This is a chance to show your support and that you value what is important to your Jewish community. Many thanks to the fifty individuals who have already acted through a "Letter of Intent." If you are not one of them, will you be the next? Thank you.

◆ We need to continue to combat **BDS** – the boycott, divest and sanctions movement aimed to harm, delegitimize, and jeopardize Israel's existence as the Jewish State. We will continue to have conversations, bridge building, and educational opportunities. Our Shlichim have a wonderful list of Israel program ideas that they are eager to share with groups both within the Jewish community and the larger community. If you, your neighbor, or someone you know is interested please let us know. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about Israel.

◆ Lastly, as everyone here knows, incidents of anti-Semitism and acts of hatred are on the rise. Please be sure to report incidents of anti-Semitism to the

Federation and please encourage others to do the same. In addition, we all need to use our voice to condemn this no matter the source whenever and wherever it occurs. From an ill-formed joke or comment to outright acts of hate – call people out on it, condemn it, challenge it. Elie Wiesel said it so well "I swore never to be silent whenever and wherever human beings endure suffering and humiliation. We must always take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented."

The Federation's Annual Meeting is always a time for reflection and a chance to acknowledge our responsibilities and intentions in order to move forward. We know what our challenges are, which is an important step in solving them. Fortunately, we have an excellent Board of Directors and committee members; and we have a superb staff. I am privileged to work with a fabulous professional team. I ask those who are in attendance to stand so we can applaud their dedication and hard work and express our thanks.

Our community and world Jewry continue to face crises, and our Jewish Federation continues to address them. Whether it was the destruction from Hurricane Matthew, the terror attacks in Israel, resettling refugees, or anti-Semitism right here at home – our Federation is ready to and does respond, and is committed to ensuring the survival, well-being, and continuity of the Jewish people in the Madison area, in Israel, and throughout the world.

I look forward to continuing our work together to build a strong and dynamic Jewish community.

UW Hillel Exemplifies Excellence at Hillel International's Global Assembly

UW Hillel is a Beneficiary Agency of the Jewish Federation of Madison

This past December, UW Hillel staff made their way down to Orlando for the Hillel International's third annual Global Assembly (HIGA). The conference brought together 850 Hillel professionals from across the world. The attendees were able to reconnect with old and new colleagues during the three-day conference. Over the course of the conference, participants took part in plenary sessions, cohort gatherings, program and management training, and Jewish learning.

The opening night of HIGA was an incredible and meaningful experience for UW Hillel due in part to the award ceremony that took place. Awards were handed out for Hillel professionals' years of service as well as campus Hillels for growth and development. As awards were announced, cheering and shouts of excitement filled the ballroom, while the award recipients beamed with pride.

The most thrilling moment of the night came when UW Hillel's Rabbi Andrea Steinberger received the Richard M. Joel Exemplar of Excellence Award.

Rabbi Steinberger, who has been UW Hillel's campus rabbi for the past 18 years, received the award for bringing innovative programs and trusted counsel to the UW-Madison Hillel and the greater Madison Jewish community. Hillel International CEO Eric Fingerhut's announcement of Rabbi Steinberger's name and his listing of her myriad accomplishments was a wonderful reminder of the hard work that UW Hillel does on the UW campus and in the Madison community. Fingerhut's remarks highlighted Steinberger's dedication and accomplishments. Before presenting the award, Fingerhut shared these words about Rabbi Steinberger: "Our final exemplar serves as the rabbi to a Hillel truly run like a family affair. Personally recruited to University of Wisconsin-Madison Hillel 18 years ago by Richard Joel, Rabbi Andrea Steinberger has brought programs of considerable depth and breadth to Hillel. Among her recent accomplishments is the creation of the Jewish Artists' Lab of the Midwest, a Covenant Foundation funded project. The Madison lab, which Andrea runs, has the distinction of being the only one that includes Jewish college students and professional artists in side-

by-side collaboration and exhibition. She is now teaching the Jewish Learning Fellowship for the third time and, in response to student demand, is developing a special civil rights curriculum. As if that weren't enough, she also supervises the Jewish Agency for Israel Fellow program on campus and is a sought-after advisor on pluralism and diversity in the small but active Madison Jewish community. Rabbi Andrea Steinberger has received a resounding vote of confidence from her students and peers, and not just from her husband, UW Hillel Executive Director Greg Steinberger! For nearly two decades of innovative programming and leadership at UW-Madison Hillel and the Madison Jewish community, we proudly honor Rabbi Andrea Steinberger with the Richard M. Joel Exemplar of Excellence Award."

In addition to Rabbi Steinberger's Exemplar of Excellence Award, UW Hillel was recognized for its continued efforts to reach every student on the UW-Madison campus. At the award ceremony, UW Hillel was proud to receive an exemplar of excellence award for Most

Improved in Hillel International's Measuring Excellence campaign.

At the conclusion of the award ceremony, an incredible, game-changing announcement was made. Hillel International received a donation of \$38 million dollars from Bernie Marcus and the Marcus Foundation. This is the biggest donation in Hillel International's history. As the leading employer of entry-level Jewish professionals, Hillel will use the funds to invest in recruitment and retention of Jewish professionals, ensuring that Hillel International can and will continue to have top talent at universities across the country that will help to shape the Jewish leaders of tomorrow. UW Hillel is excited to utilize these funds to continue to do amazing work and create meaningful opportunities at UW-Madison and within the Madison community.

UW Hillel is extremely proud of Rabbi Andrea Steinberger and the recognition that she received from her Hillel International colleagues. UW Hillel looks forward to having more exemplars of excellence on the Hillel International stage in the future.

The Importance of Community

By DAN WEISS

Recipient of the 2016 Miriam Singer Sulman Young Leadership Award

Editor's note: Dan shared these words at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Madison

It has been an honor to receive this award. Family, home, faith... these are some of life's most sacred treasures. I left Chicago as a boy, and moved to southern Wisconsin. Since then, entering into a new environment I never felt like I completely belonged. I had friends, hobbies, interests... Still something was missing. I had been looking, perhaps not even knowing it, for a sense of community. A place to call home. An environment to build a life for myself and my family. That's why this Federation and this community are so important to me. What you find important must be nurtured. So, I, we, must do our part to contribute to our society. This is already a robust community. We can still be better. We can do more. I am proud to be a part of this vibrant collection of people. I am proud to be a Jew. At the General Assembly earlier this week, there was a lot of talk about

threats to Jews domestically and globally. It was mentioned by Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sachs, that a Jew is taught to think in a contrarian mindset. He said that when the world becomes divided, we as a people should come together. This was a common theme at the convention. We, the Jewish people, have enough enemies outside of our faith; we don't need adversaries among ourselves. Natan Sharansky, who also spoke at the GA, said "There is no power in the world that can stand against us when we feel a part of our history, part of our people and part of this historic struggle."

My Goal is to do my part, to leave this world in a better place than I found it. This focus starts here with my family and friends, my professional work, and this community. I will not stop contributing to you, my people. I will not cease working toward a greater unity, and the building of stronger Jewish bonds.

Helen Keller said, "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much." Again I very much appreciate you honoring me with this award. Even more so, I want to thank you for providing myself and my family a community, a home. Thank you.



The Richard M. Joel Exemplar of Excellence Award

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Dates: Fridays (10 Sessions) January 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, February 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, March 3rd, 10th

Cost: \$80 for 1 child or \$130 for two children (siblings) for 10 week session
For more information or to register online go to: www.jewishmadison.org.



Experience Gan HaYeled Day

Sunday, January 29th from 9:00-10:30 a.m.

We will have activities for children ages 18 months-4 to participate in while getting to meet our teaching staff and current families. Learn why Gan HaYeled teachers and students keep coming back! A Jewish education for your child. A Jewish community for your family.



Ivrit B'Kef Hebrew After-School

Thursdays, starting January 12th at 3:45-5:30 p.m.
Beth Israel Center, 1406 Mound Street, Madison

Ivrit B'Kef (Hebrew Fun) ~ Time for Hebrew, Time for Fun! Kindergarten – 2nd graders are invited to join Daniel Gill, our Community Shaliach, on a fun adventure through the Hebrew language. Daniel will lead the students in a semester full of exciting sessions exploring the letters of the Aleph Bet and developing reading and writing skills through structured lessons, arts and crafts, movement, and more! No Hebrew language experience is necessary, all levels welcome.

Cost: Semester 1 is \$234 per student & Semester 2 is \$324 student or \$558 per student for the entire year. Fee includes snacks and materials. Cost includes a \$20 non-refundable processing fee per semester.

For upcoming calendar, weekly programming and registration, visit: www.jewishmadison.org

Jewish Professional Roundtable

Monday, January 24th
12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
Nakoma Country Club, \$25

Join Diane Morgenthaler, Executive Vice President for the Greater Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau to learn more about the economic importance of Tourism in the Greater Madison area. Tourism is big business in Dane County and adds dollars, jobs and most importantly quality of life elements that we all enjoy.



Save the Dates!

Hamantashen Baking Workshop with Susan Roquitte

Sunday, March 5th, 2:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
Beth Israel Center, 1406 Mound Street

Our annual Hamantashen bake is always a hit. This year we will be filling, folding and baking at Beth Israel Center. Come and join the fun!



Community Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 12th, 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Beth Israel Center, 1406 Mound Street

Watch for details in upcoming issues of *Madison Jewish News*.



• SAVE THE DATE •

Hamantashen Baking OPEN HOUSE

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Join us for an afternoon of baking, filling,
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**When: Sunday, March 5th,
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Where: Beth Israel Center

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be spent filling, folding, baking and packaging.
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fold them and bake them. They will
be sold at the community Purim carnival on
Sunday, March 12th, at Beth Israel Center.

Simchas & Condolences

Mazel Tov to:

Lisa Weiss and Alan Tuerkheimer on the birth of their daughter, *Elizabeth Ruth Tuerkheimer*, granddaughter of *Barbara and Frank Tuerkheimer*

Miriam and David Herrmann on the birth of their daughter, *Julia Devorah*, niece of *Daniel (Stephanie) Ostrov*, granddaughter of *Michael and Karen Ostrov* and great-granddaughter of *Dieter (Dolere z"l) Gruen*

Condolences to the families of:

Ruth Stein, sister of *Frances Weinstein*

Ruth Barrett, mother of *Chuck (Linda) Barrett*

Geneva Boissonnault, mother of *Bill (Jill) Boissonnault*, grandmother of *Josh, Jacob and Eliya*

Earl Gladstein, father of *Nancy (David) Resnick*

Joyce Maidenberg, stepmother of *Jill (Richard Thal) Maidenberg*, and grandmother of *Zachary and Michael Thal*

Lorraine Borsuk, wife of *Gerry Borsuk (z"l)*

Earl Gladstein, father of *Nancy (David) Resnick*

Edward Pickett, long time community member

Barbara Etkin, cousin of *Linda (Chuck) Barrett*

Richard Wanless, husband of *Ruth Wanless*; father of *Robert (Ute) Wanless* and *Mathew (Annie) Wanless*; grandfather of: *Natasha, Lillian and Alex*

Kip Libman, brother of *Larry (Jayne) Libman*

Next Jewish Business and Professionals Roundtable: Tuesday, January 24th

The Jewish Business and Professionals Roundtable will hold its second event of the year on January 24th at Nakoma Golf Club from 12p.m.-1:30p.m. with guest speaker Diane Morgenthaler.

Ms. Morgenthaler, CDME (Certified Destination Management Executive) is the executive vice president of the Greater Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau. She is a business leader with expertise in strategic planning, operations and marketing, developed over six years in the tourism industry and over twenty years in publishing media.

As the executive vice president of the Greater Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau, Ms. Morgenthaler leads the organization's efforts and activities in the areas that focus on the future of the business and the support of her team. These areas include oversight for strategic planning, annual business plans and budgets, marketing, public relations, communications, research and operations.

Prior to working with the Great Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau, Ms. Morgenthaler was an executive with general management and consumer marketing expertise in small to Fortune 500 publishing companies. A change leader, known for reinvigorating mature brands and launching new businesses she was responsible for strategic planning, overall profit and loss management and direct-to-consumer marketing and advertising.

Ms. Morgenthaler was a publisher at *American Girl Magazine*, director of consumer marketing at *USA Today* and the Circulation Director for *People Weekly*.

Lunch will be served 12 p.m. followed by a discussion with Ms. Morgenthaler about the economic importance of tourism in the Greater Madison area. Tourism is big business in Dane County and adds dollars, jobs and, most importantly, quality of life elements that we all enjoy. Please plan to join us! The cost of the event is \$25. You may register online at www.JewishMadison.org or by sending a check to the Jewish Federation of Madison, 6434 Enterprise Lane, Madison, WI 53719.



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Jewish Business and Professionals' Roundtable Series

January 24th, 2017

Join Diane Morgenthaler, Executive Vice President for the Greater Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau, to learn more about the economic importance of tourism in the Greater Madison area. Tourism is big business in Dane County and adds dollars, jobs and most importantly, quality of life elements that we all enjoy.

12:00pm-1:30pm at Nakoma Golf Club
Cost: \$25

May 3rd, 2017

Panel Discussion with young Jewish Madison business owners. Learn about how they were able to build successful businesses and what makes this community a great setting for them professionally.

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
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Congress Passes HEAR Act, Senate Approves Anti-Semitism Awareness Bill

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Holocaust Expropriated Art Recovery Act

Both the United States Senate and House of Representatives unanimously voted to pass the Holocaust Expropriated Art Recovery (HEAR) Act in December, which helps facilitate the return of art-

work stolen by the Nazis during World War II.

An estimated 650,000 works of art were confiscated by the Nazi regime yet state statutes of limitation have prevented many victims and their families from recovering stolen art.

The HEAR Act allows victims and their heirs to legally reclaim artwork up to six years after identifying and locating the art. At our press deadline, it was awaiting President Obama's signature.

Anti-Semitism Awareness Act

The United States Senate voted on December 2nd to approve the Anti-Semitism Awareness Act, which offers guid-

ance to the United States Department of Education regarding the investigation of anti-Semitism in schools and on college campuses.

U.S. Senators Tim Scott (R-SC) and Bob Casey (D-PA) introduced the bipartisan Act in response to increased incidents of anti-Semitism on college campuses. According to the Anti-Defamation League, the number of anti-Semitic attacks at colleges and universities doubled in 2015.

The Act adopts the definition of anti-Semitism used by the State Department's Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism and provides examples of anti-Semitism.

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through all of the workshops it is this: develop relationships. If something like the Black Lives Matter platform is published, which contains some anti-Israel rhetoric, along-side many aspirations with which our community may agree, an angry letter to the editor is not the proper response. We have to talk to people. Ideally, one would have a pre-existing relationship with people from other communities with whom we can speak, face to face, about our concerns. If we want to grow our endowments or donor base, we must develop a strong foundation of relationships and excel at donor stewardship. We must develop and build person-to-person relationships, and that takes effort.

Some of these personal interactions may be pleasant, such as speaking with a donor about shared dreams for Gan HaYeled or Midrasha, and some may be difficult and painful, such as discussing

BDS with a Presbyterian minister who authored a pro-boycott resolution for his synod's convention.

As we end our Annual Meeting and think about our continued engagement with the Jewish community and the general community, we as volunteers, and professional staff should all re-commit ourselves to building relationships with those with whom we have common interests, as well as with those with whom we disagree. Only through developing relationships with others – be they members of other minority communities, other faith communities, or with members of our own community – will we be able to move forward and accomplish our goals of enhancing Jewish lives here in Madison and around the world, building bridges to other communities on the basis of mutual respect and finding common ground.



SCHMOOZE & MOVE

Join us weekly for a **parent/tot yoga class** with an instructor from little om BIG OM. The class will be 45 minutes followed by a chance to schmooze with the other caregivers and their children while enjoying a snack of Gan HaYeled-made challah. Parents, Grandparents, and Nannies are all welcome!

Dates: Fridays. Class schedule: January 6,13,20,27; February 3, 10, 17, 24; March 3, 10.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Cost: \$80 for 1 child or \$130 for two children (siblings) for this 10 week session

Location: Max Weinstein Jewish Community Building, Conference Room, 6434 Enterprise Lane, Madison

Register online (pay by credit card or check):
www.jewishmadison.org/schmooze

Please make check payable to the Jewish Federation of Madison and reference Schmooze & Move with child's name(s) in memo or attached note.

For more information, contact Rachel at
gan@jewishmadison.org
or (608)442-4075.

The Jewish Federation of Madison expresses its appreciation to these individuals who recently made a tribute donation to honor someone or celebrate a special occasion

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Norma Klagos

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Congregation Shaarei Shamayim

Shaarei Shamayim, Madison's Jewish Reconstructionist and Renewal Congregation, welcomes new and prospective members, as well as visitors, to participate in our services, discussions, classes, and celebrations. For more information or to learn about events, please visit the website at www.shamayim.org, email us at office@shamayim.org, or call (608) 257-2944.

Shabbat Evening Potluck: Reflecting on Future Directions of our Country Friday, January 20th, 6 p.m. Please call the office for location.

Join together for a family-friendly potluck. Following the meal, we will have a conversation about future direc-

tions of our country, coming together as a congregation to protect vulnerable communities. Please bring a vegetarian dish to share, and call the office for more information.

Young Family Havurah Sunday, January 29th, 9:30 a.m. and 9:50 a.m. Center for Families 2120 Fordem Avenue

Do you have a child who is 0-5 years old? If so, join us for our Young Family Havurah. We meet during our children's education program. This is a great opportunity to connect with other parents of young children. Feel free to join us for assembly at 9:30 a.m. or for the playgroup at 9:50 a.m.

Join Us for Our New Monthly Group: Exploring Judaism Wednesday, January 11th, 4:30 p.m. Located at our offices – please call the office for exact location.

Curious about Judaism? Join Rabbi for a monthly gathering where we will discuss personal explorations of Judaism. This group is for people who want to deepen their knowledge of Jewish practice, who have questions regarding Jewish identity, who are considering becoming Jewish, or who are looking for an opportunity to ask questions in a relaxed environment. We will structure each session around participant questions and interests. Interested in learning more or want to be added to the updates list?

Please contact Joy at office@shamayim.org. Future groups: *February 8th, March 8th, and April 5th.*

Shabbat Morning Services Saturdays, January 14th and 28th First Unitarian Society 900 University Bay Drive

On January 14th, Torah study begins at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Shabbat service at 10:30 a.m. At 11:15 a.m. we'll have a children's service (ages preschool and kindergarten) and all join together for Kiddush lunch at 12:30 p.m. On January 28, we welcome Zola Davis as a bat mitzvah. All are welcome for the service, which begins at 9:30 a.m., and Kiddush lunch at 11:45 a.m.

Temple Beth El

Visit us online at www.templebethel-madison.org. All events are open to the community and take place at Temple Beth El, 2702 Arbor Drive, Madison, unless otherwise noted.

We encourage members of the Jewish community to join Temple Beth El, and we welcome prospective members to participate in programs and activities. Contact Interim Executive Director, Terrie Goren at (608) 238-3123 or executive@tbemadison.org.

Our office will be closed Monday, January 2nd and January 16th.

Shabbat Dinner Get Together Friday, January 6th, 5:30 p.m. Sa Bai Thong 6802 Odana Road, Madison

Join with friends for a Thai food dinner prior to services. Each person is responsible for paying their own bill. Those interested will have plenty of time to eat, schmooze, and be at Temple Beth El by the time Shabbat Evening Services begin at 7:30 p.m. RSVP to Aleeza at engage@tbemadison.org or (608) 238-3123.

Family Fridays Shabbat Friday, January 13th & 27th 5:45 p.m. Family Fridays Shabbat schmooze

6 p.m. Family Fridays Shabbat service with songs & stories

6:30 p.m. Bring your own dinner. It's lovely seeing the kids play together.

Family Fridays Shabbat is a spirited Shabbat experience with song and story geared toward children ages 8 and younger.

Kesher Israel Film: Keep Not Silent Wednesday, January 18th, 7:00p.m.

Doors open at 7 p.m., film begins at 7:15 p.m. Snacks and beverages provided. A discussion will follow.

Madison's Jews' Next Dor (20s & 30s) Meet & Greet Dinner Thursday, January 19th, 7 p.m. Location TBD

Enjoy a family-style dinner with fellow young adults. Dinner will be no more

than \$20 per person. Please bring cash, small bills appreciated. RSVP to Aleeza at engage@tbemadison.org, (608)238-3123

Shabbat of Human Rights and Unity Friday, January 20th, 7:30 p.m.

Join us to observe this special Shabbat of Human Rights and Unity through the messages and values that are central to who we are: that we are beings created "b'tzelem Elohim," in the image of God; that the inherent dignity of each member of the human family is the foundation of human life, justice, and world peace; and that we can find the strength to protect and plead the cause of the stranger among us, to ensure just treatment for all who dwell in our land. Sponsored by our clergy and the Social Action Committee

Cancer Support Group Sunday, January 22nd, 2 p.m.

A support group for those whose lives have been touched by cancer are meeting on certain Sundays throughout the year meeting from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The group meets monthly to address the mutual needs of patients and caregivers who confront cancer. If you'd like more information, please contact Rabbi Biatch rabbib@tbemadison.org or (608) 238-3123.

Sisterhood Shabbat Friday, January 27th, 6:30 p.m.

Dinner and Shabbat Service at 7:30 p.m. Featured Speaker: Dawn Berney, the new executive director of JSS, who will talk about the involvement with the Refugee Resettlement program. All are welcome!

Tots 'n Tunes with Cantor Sharon Brown-Levy January 29th, 10 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. February 12th, April 2nd 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Tots 'n Tunes is a program for 0-5 year olds and open to the entire Madison Jewish community. This year our new Cantor

Sharon Brown-Levy will host Jewish families with young children by engaging them in playful, musical, educational moments. This is a meaningful program at Temple that fosters connections between Jewish families in Madison while getting to know our newest clergy member and our temple. Caregivers and their children will to sing, move, learn, play, create, bond, pray, and grow with our new Tots 'n Tunes programming.

Shabbat Dinner Get Together Friday, February 3rd, 5:30 p.m. Nonno's, 704 S. Whitney Way Madison

Join with friends for an Italian dinner prior to services on Friday night. Each person is responsible for paying their own bill. Those interested will have plenty of time to eat, schmooze, and arrive at Temple Beth El in time for Shabbat Evening Services which begin at 7:30 p.m. RSVP to Aleeza at engage@tbemadison.org or (608) 238-3123.

Blockstein Memorial Brunch – Jennifer Uphoff Gray Sunday, February 12th, 9:45 a.m.

Join us for brunch as we hear from Jennifer Uphoff Gray, Artistic Director at Forward Theater, Madison. The lecture is a joint program of Jewish Social Services and Temple Beth El. For more information and to RSVP visit <http://bit.ly/blockstein>.

Mystery at Deadwood Saloon (21+ only) Saturday, February 18th, 7 p.m.

Get into character as we solve the mystery at Deadwood Saloon. \$20/adult (21+) if you register by January 17th online at <http://bit.ly/mystery2017>. After January 17th, \$25/adult. Contact Aleeza Hoffert for more information at engage@tbemadison.org or (608)238-3123.

Kesher Movies at Temple Beth El



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January 18th, 2017:
Keep Not Silent

February 15th, 2017:
Crossing the Line 2

March 15th, 2017:
Zero Motivation

Beth Israel Center

Come see what our traditional, egalitarian community is all about. Beth Israel Center programs and services are open to all members, prospective members, and visitors. Some events require registration, however. Please call (608) 256-7763 or email office@bethisraelcenter.org with any questions. Rabbi Ben-Gideon or another congregational leader will gladly help you get to know us better. We love to talk about upcoming events, education for children and adults, membership and more. You may also visit our website, www.bethisraelcenter.org, for more information.

Here are a few upcoming event highlights:

Eighth Night Party Saturday, December 31st, 7:30 p.m. through Midnight

Celebrate New Year's Eve and the last night of Hanukkah at Beth Israel Center. Fun for all ages, featuring fun foods, music, games, a midnight toast, and more!

Torah & Mindfulness Mini-Retreat

Saturday, January 14th
1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Come to Beth Israel Center for a Shabbat afternoon of meditation, chanting, and discussion. Our January meditation mini-retreat will focus on learning to ground ourselves by turning toward our fears, freeing up emotional energy to engage better in tikkun olam. The program is free and accessible to all, from beginners to experienced practitioners.

MLK Day of Faith/Service/Education

Monday, January 16th, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

First Congregational UCC, in conjunction with Beth Israel Center, Madison Christian Community, and Middleton

Community UCC, invites children and youth (grades 1 - 12) from the greater Madison area to gather as a faith community in honor of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Participants should bring lunch, labeled with your name on it. Water and kosher snacks will be provided. Elementary school-age children will spend the day at the First Congregational rotating through various stations designed to help better understand the importance of the day and the life and work of Dr. King. Teens will have the opportunity to work at service projects around the community.

Participants will explore subjects such as:

- Dr. King: His Mission, His Words, His Faith*
- Taking a Stand, Then & Now, What Can I Do?*
- The Music of the Movement*
- Interfaith Worker Justice*
- Hands-on Service and Art Projects*

Register at www.firstcongmadison.org go to the Dr. King Service Day article. Contact Beth Copelovitch with questions by email, education@bethisraelcenter.org, or phone: (608) 256-7763.

Rabbi Candidate Weekend #1

Friday, January 20th – Sunday, January 22nd

Rabbi Josh Dorsch will be interviewing for the position of rabbi at Beth Israel Center over the weekend of January 20th-22nd. Opportunities to meet Rabbi Dorsch include Friday evening and Saturday morning services, as well as Sunday morning minyan and Yom Rishon (see following). A forum for members of Beth Israel Center will also be held on Sunday. At press time, plans were being made to bring in at least one additional candidate.

Yom Rishon Sunday, January 22nd 10 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Come experience family education for preschoolers at its finest! Each session includes art, movement, music, stories, and snacks as well as age-appropriate learning on a Jewish theme for preschoolers and their grownups. Yom Rishon meets about once a month during the school year. Put our remaining 5777 dates on your calendar: February 26th, March 19th, and April 30th.

Fiction with Friends Wednesday, January 25th 7:30-9 p.m.

Read *The Mathematician's Shiva* by Stuart Rojstaczer and come to Beth Israel Center and discuss it with new and old friends.

Purim Ball! **SAVE THE DATE** Saturday, March 4th, 8 p.m.

All are welcome to this fun night out for grownups. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and desserts, creative drinks, music, and more.

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Conversational Yiddish Mondays, 7 p.m. in the Mercaz at Beth Israel Center

Join Yiddish enthusiast and talented teacher Sylvia Grunes at Yiddish class on Monday nights, 7-8:30 p.m. Sylvia builds a love for the Yiddish language and culture through her long-running classes. Come learn from a master - all levels welcome and encouraged to attend.

Talmud Wednesdays, 9:15 a.m. in the Mercaz at Beth Israel Center

Study Talmud in Hebrew and Aramaic with Rabbis Joshua and Rebecca Ben-Gideon. New students are welcome any time. Contact either Rabbi, or subscribe to our e-newsletter for information about this year's topic and confirmation of January class dates.

Parsha Study Thursdays, 7 p.m., at Anna's home

This class is designed for those interested in reading Biblical Hebrew through study of the weekly Torah portion. Whether beginner or intermediate readers, all levels of knowledge are welcomed. Led by Anna Heifetz. Contact the office to confirm the schedule and location.

Shabbat Services Every Friday at 5:45 p.m. Every Saturday at 9:30 a.m.

Looking for warm, inspiring, and egalitarian traditional Shabbat services? We welcome Shabbat every Friday around 5 p.m. as people begin to gather and toast the week that was. Lively, song-filled services begin at 5:45 p.m.

Our Shabbat morning worship begins with P'seukei D'zimra and continues through Shacharit, Torah service, and Musaf. We join together for a communal kiddush lunch after services every week. Children's services for babies, preschoolers, and elementary school-age children begin at 10:30 a.m. most weeks during the school year. Visitors are always welcome!

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Hadassah's Stories of Discovery, Healing and Hope in Israel and Around the World

If you are hungry for signs of hope and healing in the world, you can find many positive stories about recent medical advances at Hadassah Hospital – advances that may affect you or someone important to you.

Here are just a few examples of how Hadassah medical researchers and clinicians have made a number of innovative discoveries using adult and embryonic stem cells- discoveries that may soon revolutionize treatment for such debilitating conditions as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, ALS, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, macular degeneration and more. The following studies are all in advanced clinical trials. You can find these other stories online at <http://www.hadassah.org/news-stories/>.

Rare Genetic Diseases

Fourteen Russian children have flown to Israel so that Hadassah doctors could



treat them for a rare fatal genetic disease. And when doctors could not diagnose Tasnin, a seriously ill nine-year-old, doctors in the Palestinian Authority, Germany, and the United States referred her to Hadassah Hospital. A genetics team at Hadassah was able to use a genetic tool (which is only available for clinical use at Hadassah) to diagnose the rare genetic mutation and devise treatments for all the children. Tasnin is back at home, doing what she loves most – drawing.

Stage II and IV Melanoma

A stage-four melanoma patient, Stewart Greenberg from Florida, is healthy, alive and cancer-free, four years after doctors in the US told him that he had 3 months to live. Hadassah researchers and doctors have created a unique immunotherapy treatment for stage III and IV melanoma patients using individualized vaccines developed based on their own tumor cells.

Multiple Sclerosis MS

By the time Linda Jayaram Barish,

from Texas, visited Hadassah's Multiple Sclerosis Center, she was dependent on her scooter to get around. Doctors at the Hadassah Multiple Sclerosis Center harvested Linda's own bone marrow stem cells in a 20-minute procedure. Within two months, the small number of stem cells had grown to tens of millions and were injected directly into her spinal cord—a treatment developed at HMO. Eleven injections and several years later, Linda is walking without a cane or scooter. This treatment is in phase II clinical trials.

Diabetes

Hadassah researchers have developed an oral insulin pill that could revolutionize diabetes treatment. FDA-approved clinical trials are now underway in over 20 medical centers in the United States, Israel and Australia.

Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD)

Hadassah researchers halted deterioration of the retina in animal models using human embryonic stem cells. Now, AMD patients are in a groundbreaking clinical trial.

Hadassah Happenings in 2017

Watch the *Madison Jewish News* and Madison Hadassah Facebook page for news about Madison Hadassah's programs for 2017! Next up:

A Madison Hadassah Cooking workshop

Activities for families with small children

More Walking Adventures

Epic Tour

Fitness Fun-Friends

Speaker on Brca I and Brca II genes in Jewish women (and men).

Financial Fitness Workshop

If you are not getting email announcements about Madison Hadassah Activities, either because you are not on our email list or you don't use email, please call or email us.

Contact

Go to www.facebook.com/HadassahMadison/

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MadisonHadassah@gmail.com

Call: (608) 770-6521

Interested in Jewish Studies? Audit a Course at UW-Madison this Spring

The Mosse/Weinstein Center for Jewish Studies invites community members to audit a course this spring. Courses begin on January 17th, 2017.

For more details about courses, contact assoc-director@cjs.wisc.edu or call (608) 265-4763

Wisconsin residents age 60 (as of the first day of class) and older are eligible to audit courses free of charge. For details on how to apply see: <http://continuingstudies.wisc.edu/advising/audit60.htm>

LIST OF COURSES

- **JS 213 – Jews and American Popular Culture**
TR 1:00-2:15
- **JS 230 – Russia and the Jews: Literature, Culture, and Religion**
TR 11:00-12:15
- **JS 230 – Representations of the Jew in Eastern European Cultures: Writing the Jewish Body**
MW 2:30-3:45
- **JS 231 – Religion and Sexuality**
MW 11:00-11:50
- **JS 231 – Israel: History of a Nation-State**
TR 4:00-5:15
- **Religious Studies 234- Genres of Western Religious Writing**
TR 4:00-5:15
- **JS 267 – Yiddish Song and the Jewish Experience**
M 12:05-12:55
- **JS 279 – Yiddish Literature and Culture in America**
TR 1:00-2:15
- **JS 318 – Modern Jewish Literature**
TR 11:00-12:15
- **JS 356 – Jerusalem, Holy City of Conflict and Desire**
MWF 9:55-10:45
- **JS 432–Holocaust: Literature, Music, Memory, and Representation**
W 3:30-6:00
- **JS 442- Moral Philosophy and the Holocaust**
MW 4:00-5:15
- **JS 593 – Literature of Jewish Identity in America: The Literature of Angry Jews**
TR 9:30-11:45
- **Poli Sci 631- Arab-Israeli Conflict**
T 1:20-3:15

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To reduce our postage costs and help the environment, last year we began emailing most of our communications instead of sending printed copy mail. [Publication and mailing of our monthly newspaper, the *Madison Jewish News*, is not affected by this change; we'll continue to mail printed copy issues.]

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A Day of Miracles Held December 18th



A Day of Miracles event was organized by the Family Education committee of the Jewish Federation of Madison.

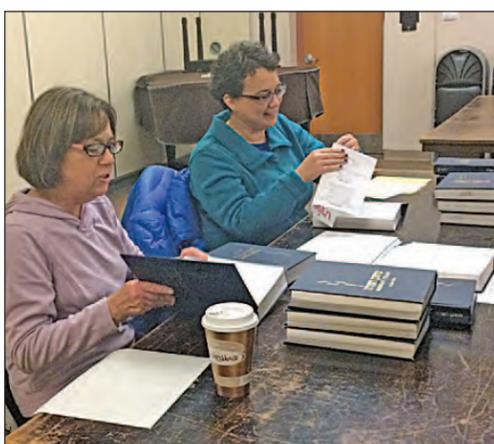
Tikkun Olam is the Jewish value of repairing the world. As the Talmud says, "It is not upon you to finish the work, but you are not free to ignore it." (*Mishna, Ethics, 2:21*). On Sunday, December 18th the Jewish Federation of Madison organized a Day of Miracles, a day of service projects designed to give community members a change to work on repairing the world. The Family Education committee planned this day to include a variety of activities for all ages.

Leading up to the event we had a food drive, community members, Midrasha Hebrew High School and Gan HaYeled Preschool families collected foods that were packed into bags to be given to families in need so they could have meals during winter break. We worked with Food For Thought Initiative to get the bags delivered to Sandburg Elementary school where they were distributed to students to take home to their families. We were able to pack 20 bags to be given to families in need!

Beth Israel Center and Congregation Shaarei Shamayim had Coat Drives in the beginning of December, community members also brought coats to donate on the Day of Miracles and then volunteers helped to sort the coats and accessories to be donated to Middleton Outreach Ministry. We collected 13 BIG bags of coats to donate!

The Day of Miracles also included a prayer book project for Temple Beth El, book sorting at the Madison Reading Project and a Bone Marrow Registry Drive in partnership with Mr. Dave's Gift and with the help of community members Antonio, Staci and Julia Rieder.

Thank you to the entire community for showing up, for making miracles happen and for continuing to help us make a difference in the greater Madison area!



Camp Corner



Summer, Friendship, Laughter, Fun...



Register for Camp Shalom ONLINE on Monday, March 8th, 2017. It does NOT matter what time of day you register. Registration policies will be available online. We will accept registrations on a first-come first-served basis according to the date people register, starting with March 8th. The scholarship application deadline will be Friday, March 17th. You must be registered for camp before applying for a scholarship!

Camp Shalom and Camp Shalom Noar-Bogrim Overview

Camp Shalom offers three sessions for campers going into kindergarten- 5th grade. Camp Shalom Noar Bogrim offers 2 sessions for campers entering 6th-9th grade. Programming occurs Monday-Fri-

day from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. We also offer extended care hours from 7:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. and from 4:15 p.m. - 6:00p.m.

2017 Dates Camp Shalom and Camp Shalom Noar-Bogrim Dates

Staff Orientation: June 12th - 16th
 Session One: June 19th - July 7th (No camp July 4th)
 Session Two: July 11th - July 28th
 Session Three (Camp Shalom Only): August 1st - August 12th

Updates about special programs and exciting new additions to our programs coming soon!

We look forward to making every day a great day at Camp Shalom 2017

Camp Shalom is Hiring!

Rewarding and fun...come work at Camp Shalom or Camp Shalom Noar-Bogrim! Work with amazing peers and super kids. Applications for summer 2017 will be available online on January 15th.

We are looking for enthusiastic, caring, responsible, creative leaders with innovative ideas and a love of being outdoors. If this is you, come join our team!

Positions available:
 Counselors in Training - This is a volunteer position for those going into 10th

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By MARIA BECKER, HEAD OF SCHOOL

Madison Jewish Community Day School

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At Madison Jewish Community Day School we learn that there are so many ways to feel Jewish and live Jewish lives. We asked our students how they connect to feeling Jewish. Here are their responses:

Ruby, Age 6: Friendship makes me feel Jewish.

Boaz, Age 7: I like the Jewish songs.

Roger, Age 6: Learning Judaics makes me feel Jewish.

Amelia, Age 10: I like studying our ancestors, learning about the holy land, and learning what holidays we celebrate.

Shira, Age 6: I like learning Hebrew.

Shiloh, Age 10: I like learning Hebrew and brachas, reading Hebrew, learning the meaning of Hebrew words, and doing Kabbalat Shabbat. I also like learning Israeli poetry that was made into songs, learning the meaning of the songs, and then singing them.

Charley, Age 8: I like learning Torah, learning Jewish history, and learning Jewish origins of how the earth came to life.

Sharona, Age 6: Hearing the prayers, lighting the candles and eating the challah makes me feel Jewish.

Jacob, Age 6: Doing Kabbalat Shabbat is how I feel Jewish.

Heshy, Age 7: One thing that makes me feel Jewish is davening.

Maggie, Age 8: I like being Jewish because I can pray with my friends.

Juliette, Age 8: Eating kosher foods makes me feel Jewish, and singing from the prayer books makes me feel Jewish.

Lilah, Age 9: At MJCDs, we get to learn about Jewish American History. We learn about the impact Jews have in the United States. We also learn about Torah. We learn Hebrew, and my group learns a song in Hebrew. Doing all these things makes me feel Jewish.

Asher Age 7: My Jewish relationship is being with all of you and learning about Jewish history.



Madison Jewish Community Day School students enjoy the beautiful fall weather.

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Dear 2016 Tzedakah Campaign donors:

Thank You!

As the 2016 Tzedakah Campaign comes to an end, I would like to say thank you to all of you that chose to participate and give.

Thank you to those who attended our Tzedakah Campaign Kickoff in September. Thank you to those who joined us for a truly mesmerizing evening with Sidney Friedman at the Major Gifts dinner at Nakoma. Thank you to the incredible volunteers who made phone calls and wrote letters to our community members encouraging others to give generously to the campaign.

Again, a special thank you to all of you chose to give! From children emptying their Tzedakah boxes to the thousands and thousands of dollars donated by all of you, we came together as a community to provide for those in need – both locally and around the world.

It is a privilege to live and work in such a passionate, vibrant and committed Jewish community.

Todah Rabah!

Sincerely,
Lynn Kaplan, Financial Resource and
Development Director

Experience Gan HaYeled!



Join us at the

Gan HaYeled Open House

on **Sunday, January 29th**
from **9:00-10:30 a.m.**

We will have activities for children ages 18 months to 4 years to participate in, while getting to meet our teaching staff and current families. Learn why Gan HaYeled teachers and students keep coming back! **A Jewish education for your child. A Jewish community for your family.**

- ~ Our staff has over 100 years of combined experience!
- ~ Low student-to-teacher ratios
- ~ Play-based preschool
- ~ Kindergarden readiness
- ~ We offer enrichment including sports (Keva), art (Romy Arenson), dancing/movement (Donna Peckett), Israel/Hebrew (our community Shliach)
- ~ Gan is open from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (M-Th) and 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. (Friday)
- ~ Flexible scheduling for 2-5 day enrollment
- ~ We offer intersession (optional child care) during winter and spring breaks



Jewish Education

Making Fall Fun at Ivrit B'Kef

An after school program sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Madison



Midrasha Second Semester Starts This Month

For Jewish teens in Madison, Midrasha is the place to be on Wednesday nights! This fall 70 teens gathered weekly, to participate in this engaging Hebrew High School program.

Midrasha students who complete all 5 years of the program and are in good standing in their classes are eligible to apply for the Midrasha Incentive Award, up to \$2000, to use for furthering their Jewish education after high school. Here are a few quotes from this year's graduating seniors about their Midrasha experiences and some pictures highlighting this semester.

"Midrasha has helped me grow academically –especially through Hebrew, which I think I've actually improved at–

but has also helped to expand my horizons. Throughout my Jewish education, I was essentially in classes with the same ten or so other kids. I thought those were the only Jewish kids in Madison. Through Midrasha I've found a much more expansive Jewish community, with students from different Jewish upbringings."

"Midrasha has helped my Jewish education grow, not just by providing me with experienced teachers and a series of classes, but also by putting me into a community of kids who didn't think Judaism was a requirement, kids who loved learning about their heritage just as much as I did."

"My Midrasha experience has devel-

oped my identity as a Jew and shaped my outlook on the world. My Israeli Conflict classes have pushed me much further towards a pro-Israel opinion, through in-depth discussion and analysis of the individual issues that make up the conflict as a whole. My history classes, specifically the Holocaust-centered ones, have given me the facts and context to fully understand both why the world needs a Jewish state, and what was wrong with the path taken to where we are today. I also feel that connections to my heritage and my culture have made me much more proud to be Jewish."

"Midrasha is something I have always looked forward to during the week. It is the place where I get to spend valuable

time with some of my closest friends, and I also get to learn about things that are important to me. Midrasha has helped me stay connected to my Judaism during the school year..."

For more information about Midrasha please contact Ellen Weisner, program@jewishmadison.org

DONATION REQUEST: Midrasha is seeking donations of laptops, tablets and projectors so the teachers can expand what they are able to do in their classrooms. Please contact Ellen Weisner if you have something to donate, program@jewishmadison.org



This Month at Gan HaYeled

What has been happening at Gan? We finished up November looking at how we use our helping hands with our friends, the family and the community. This tied in with Thanksgiving and being grateful. We began December with looking at

snow, mitzvot and miracles. We continue exploring the science of snow and ice as the weather turns cold. We examined traditions of Hanukkah and enjoyed making Hanukkiot, dreidels, and art for our families and neighbors.



Henry and Stav exploring the properties of light.



Eve showing off the turkey that she made.



Jaime, Eve and Nevo giving a Shabbat hug.



The Dalet class made birds out of aluminum.



Stav and Henry exploring the properties of snow – inside!



Ethan and Vihaan making stars for Hanukkah.



Ziv and Stav experimenting with spin art.



The Bet class did an art project to share with our neighbors at Brookdale Senior Living.



Ethan, Ziv and Stav using droppers to make watercolor artwork.



Nevo shows us that it is going to be a sweet Shabbat with his smile.



Henry takes a "nap" on a mountain of bricks.



The Gimel class is getting ready to celebrate the festival of lights by making stained glass dreidels.



Jaime and Eve helping their birds to "fly" inside the Dalet room.



Hanni and Yasha made their own fort.

Celebrate Purim!



SAVE THE DATE!

Dust off your costumes
Get ready to spin your groggers
We're celebrating Purim as
a Community!

DATE: **Sunday, March 12th, 2017**

LOCATION: **Beth Israel Center**

Volunteers will be needed!
**New this year...costume
contest and parade!**



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<p>New Baby?</p> <p>Are you pregnant or recently had a baby? Would you like to meet other Jewish caregivers and their little ones ages 0-2? <i>Shalom Baby</i> is designed to help Madison families celebrate the arrival of their Jewish newborns and welcome them to the Madison Jewish Community. For more information on joining a playgroup or class, or receiving a Shalom Baby gift basket, contact Tiz Goff at 773-620-4404 or email outreach@jewishmadison.org</p>	<p>Preschool</p> <p>HILDE L. MOSSE GAN HAYELED PRESCHOOL A Jewish education for your child. A Jewish community for your family. Call 278-1808 or email: gan@jewishmadison.org</p>	<p>Promotional Products</p> <p>MADISON TOP EST. 1974 Mention that you are a MJN reader and receive 10% OFF your order! Newly opened retail and outlet store: \$2 OFF for a pound T-SHIRTS • SWEATSHIRTS • JACKETS • CAPS • MUGS • PENS • NOTEPADS • CAN COOLERS LETTER OPENERS • IN-HOUSE EMBROIDERY • COMPUTERIZED GRAPHICS www.madisontop.com 1-800-362-2787 1111 STEWART ST., MADISON • 608-277-9111</p>	<p>Special Events</p> <p>judy schreiber's R&SVP since 1977 ~ 238-5698 Providing personal service for ... • Invitations • Stationery • Wedding and Party Consulting • Personalized Gifts rsvpjudys@aol.com</p>
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Jewish Social Services

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Jewish Social Services Brings Shabbat to Our Seniors



Our monthly Shabbat gatherings, with wine donated by Frank Liquor, includes candle lighting, challah, singing and discussion.

Attic Angel Place at 2:30 p.m. in the Garden Room 8301 Old Sauk Road

A program of Jewish Social Services and Attic Angel Place. Music by Les Goldsmith and with the assistance of Angel Volunteers.

March 3rd, May 12th

Capitol Lakes at 3:00 p.m. in the Grand Hall 333 West Main Street

A program of Jewish Social Services and Capitol Lakes Retirement Community. Led by Rabbi Andrea Steinberger with assistance from UW students through the UW-Hillel Foundation.

February 10th, March 10th, May 5th

Oakwood West at 4:00 p.m. in The Oaks Community Room 6225 Mineral Point Road

A program of Jewish Social Services and Oakwood Village University Woods. With the assistance of JSS volunteers and music by Paul Grossberg.

January 20th, February 3rd, March 24th, May 19th

ATTENTION REHAB PATIENTS: If you are going to be in one of these locations during your rehabilitation, you are welcome to attend.

Welcome to Maya Garbuz and Paul Borowsky!



In November, Jewish Social Services welcomed two new staff members to the team. They both bring wonderful experiences and attributes to our staff, and we are very pleased to have them.

Maya Garbuz began as our social worker on November 16th. Maya has over 10 years of experience as a social worker, including significant work with service coordination. She worked most recently as a lead case manager/supervisor at Family Service. Maya received her master's of Social Work from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Maya has a long history with JSS as we helped to resettle her from the former Soviet Union when she first came to the United States. You can reach Maya at mgarbuz@jss-

madison.org or (608) 442-4085.

Paul Borowsky began as our new volunteer engagement coordinator on November 29th. Paul was the director of the West Madison Senior Center where he recruited over 100 volunteers. More recently, he has done extensive outreach with Second Harvest Food Bank and the FreshMobile. Paul has a master's of Education and Social Work degrees from the University of Illinois-Urbana and a master's of Cultural Anthropology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Paul can be reached at pborowsky@jss-madison.org or (608) 442-4083.

If you see Maya or Paul out in the community, feel free to give them a JSS welcome!

Add Something Special to your Life!

Volunteer For Jewish Social Services!

Volunteer application at www.jss-madison.org/volunteer/become-a-volunteer, contact Paul Borowsky at (608)442-4083 or email pborowsky@jssmadison.org, or visit our website for information.

Our mission: Our dedication to service will improve the quality of life and maintain the dignity of our clients in a compassionate and caring atmosphere. Volunteers will enhance the ability of the agency to achieve its overall mission.

Drivers Needed! – Help people remain independent! Provide rides to clients for appointments and other destinations on an as-needed and as-available basis. Requires copies of proof of insurance and driver's license plus a driver's record check, done at our expense.

Designated Shopper – Take a friendly older lady to do errands once or

twice a month; West Madison area. Help an elderly home-bound gentleman remain in independent living by delivering groceries and other items.

Back-up Volunteer Photographer – Take photos at JSS events which will be used for promotional materials and social media.

Bikur Cholim/Friendly Visitor – Opportunities to make brief drop-in visits with several elderly ladies in memory care; Verona, Middleton and southwest Madison. We are also seeking a friendly visitor for an elderly newcomer in Sun Prairie. These visits can be made when convenient for you.

Volunteer at the Oakwood Shabbats! – Help the residents of Oakwood Village welcome Shabbat one Friday per month from 4-5 p.m. Seat guests, pour wine and juice, and distribute challah,

interact with the residents of Oakwood Village and their families.

Youth Volunteering, Youth Group Projects and B'nai Mitzvah Projects

Come talk with us about doing a Bar or Bat Mitzvah project with Jewish Social Services. There are also opportunities for older youth and youth groups to volunteer and contribute to the community, develop new skills and have fun. Contact Paul Borowsky at (608)278-1808 or (608)442-4083 direct for a brochure or to discuss doing a mitzvah project with Jewish Social Services.

Double your Volunteering Mitzvah!

Check with your human resources department to see whether your company has a policy of matching employees' community volunteer hours with a monetary donation to the agency for whom the employee volunteers. What a great way to enhance the benefits of your volunteer work!



Here's an easy way to make a charitable gift that costs you nothing today:

INCLUDE A BEQUEST TO THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF MADISON IN YOUR WILL



For more details about how to leave a bequest, please contact Dina Weinbach, (608)278-1808 x4070 or dina@jewishmadison.org

Find changes, updates and new information about JSS programs on our website:
www.jssmadison.org



Lechayim Lights

A Senior Adult Program of Jewish Social Services, a Beneficiary of the Jewish Federation of Madison

January Lechayim Calendar

Join us for great food, congenial conversation and stimulating programs at **Lechayim Lunchtime Plus** at Temple Beth El, 2702 Arbor Drive. Contact Jewish Social Services at (608)278-1808 or email office@jssmadison.org no later than 2:00 p.m. the preceding Wednesday. A vegetarian or strictly kosher option is available with a reservation. If you are over age 60, a minimum donation of \$4.00 is suggested, but please only pay what is comfortable for you. The cost of the meal is \$7.50 for those under age 60.

If you cannot attend the meal, please join us for the free program at 1:00 p.m.

Many thanks to UW Hillel Adamah Catering for Providing our Delicious Kosher Meals!

Monday, January 9th

11:30 a.m.-12:30p.m. Complimentary Blood Pressure check with Nurse Lori Edelstein

11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Yoga from a chair with Betsy Haimson

12:00-1:00 p.m. Beef Brisket, (Vegetarian Meal: Pasta Puttanesca), Roasted Sweet Potato, Charred Corn, Market Fruit, Mini Israeli Dessert

1:00-2:00 p.m. Middleton Jazz plays traditional jazz tunes, mostly in the 'Dixieland' style, with an emphasis on instrumental solos

Monday, January 23rd

11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Yoga from a chair with Betsy Haimson

12:00-1:00p.m. Southern Fried Chicken, (Vegetarian Meal: Southern Fried Tofu), Garlic Whipped Potato, Roasted Corn, Market Fruit, Mini Israeli Dessert

1:00-2:00 p.m. Rabbi Renee Bauer, Director of Chaplaincy and Outreach at Jewish Social Services, presentation on Refugee Re-Settlement and Advocacy from a Jewish Perspective

Monday, January 30th

11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Yoga from a chair with Betsy Haimson

12:00-1:00 p.m. Blackened Tilapia (Vegetarian Entrée - Vegetarian Chili), Saffron Rice, Roasted Radishes, Market Fruit, Mini Israeli Dessert

1:00-2:00 p.m. Paul Borowsky, Volunteer Engagement and Events Program Manager, will present on cultural and environmental issues relating to effigy mound building tradition here in Southern Wisconsin from 700-1100 AD

February dates: February 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

Присоединяйтесь к нашему столу, увлекательной беседе и интересным программам на встречах «Лехаим. Больше чем обед» Ждем Вас в Храме Бет-Эль (Temple Beth El), по адресу: 2702 Arbor Drive. Заказать место вы можете у Ингрид Рейс-Гласс по тел. (608)-278-1808 или (608)-442-4083 или по электронному адресу: ingrid@jssmadison.org до 14:00 часов четверга предшествующему очередной встрече. **Вегетарианское или строго кошерное меню готовится по предварительному заказу.** Стоимость обеда - \$7.50; минимальное пожертвование для людей старше 60 лет \$4.00, если возможно.

Если вы не можете присутствовать на обеде, пожалуйста, присоединяйтесь к нам для бесплатной программы в 1:00 часа дня

БЛАГОДАРИМ UW ГИЛЕЛЬ АДАМАН КАТЕРИНГ ЗА ВКУСНЫЕ КОШЕРНЫЕ БЛЮДА!

Понедельник, 9 января

11:30-12:30 Бесплатное измерение артериального давления медсестрой Лорой Эдельштейн

11:30-12:00 Йога на стуле с Бетси Хаймсон

12: 00-1: 00 Говяжья грудинка, (вегетарианская вариант - паста путтенеска), жареный сладкий картофель, кукуруза печеная, фрукты, мини-израильский десерт

1: 00-2: 00 Миддлетон Джаз играет традиционные джаз мелодии, в основном, в стиле «диксиленд», с акцентом на инструментальное соло

Понедельник, 23 января

11:30-12:00 Йога на стуле с Бетси Хаймсон

12:00-1:00 Курица, жареная по-южному, (вегетарианская вариант - тофу, жареный по-южному), картофельное пюре с чесноком, печеная кукуруза, фрукты, мини-израильский десерт

1:00-2:00 Раввин Рени Бауэр, директор капеллана и информационно-просветительской деятельности в еврейской службе социальных услуг, расскажет о переселении беженцев и их защите с еврейской точки зрения

Понедельник, 30 января

11:30-12:00 Йога на стуле с Бетси Хаймсон

12:00-1:00 Тюлания жареная на гриле (вегетарианский вариант - перец чили), рис с шафраном, жареный редис, фрукты, мини-израильский десерт

1:00-2:00 Пол Боровский, менеджер Службы Добровольцев и Программы Мероприятий, представит культурные и экологические проблемы связанные с древними сакральными курганами (700-1100 н.э) южной части Висконсина.

Даты: февраля 6, 13, 20, 27

Making Lechayim Reservations

- When you check-in at Lechayim, sign up for the following week.

- Call Jewish Social Services at (608)278-1808 or email office@jssmadison.org before **2:00 p.m. on the preceding Wednesday.**

- Reservations cannot be taken on Fridays or over the weekend.

- If you didn't make a reservation but would like to come, call **(608)278-1808 before 10:00 a.m. on Monday** to see if there have been cancellations.

- We regret that we are unable to guarantee a meal for last minute reservations or walk-ins.

Transitions

Happy January Birthday

Anita Parks
Betsy Haimson
Bezalel Haimson
Fran Culbertson
Ginny Graff
Hilary Blue
Ike Lewis
Jeff C. Levy

Judy Nelson-Stern
Julie Swedarsky
Lucille Lapin
Rob Greenberg
Rosalind Levin
Sally Jamison
Violetta Bartashchuk

Condolences

To the Family of Ada Mitchell
May her Memory be a blessing!

Lechayim Snow Day Policy

Lechayim is cancelled when the Madison Metropolitan School District closes schools due to inclement weather. Listen to the radio, check a local TV channel or the Internet for school closings. If Madison schools are open but we think Lechayim should be cancelled, we'll decide by 8:00 a.m., contact those with reservations for Lechayim and post the cancellation on our website.

Transportation to Lechayim

Transit Solutions provides door-to-door service for \$1 round trip, payable to the driver. Contact Ingrid Reis-Glass at (608) 278-1808, (608) 442-4083 (direct) or ingrid@jssmadison.org by 12:00 p.m. the preceding Friday. Wheelchair accessible vehicles are available upon request. Please contact us if you need to cancel a ride.

About Our Programs

Monday, January 9th

If you like jazz, you will want to come to listen to the Middleton Jazz on Monday, January 9. Middleton Jazz was started in 2009 as a semi-monthly jam session at the Middleton Senior Center. As players became more familiar with one another and with the music, the jam developed into a band. Middleton Jazz plays traditional jazz tunes, mostly in the 'Dixieland' style, with an emphasis on instrumental solos. While traditional jazz provides the primary foundation, the band plays a variety of styles. Audiences are likely to hear songs from the Big Band era, Blues, Dixieland and '50s Rock and Roll, performed by good ensemble work and fine soloists.

Monday, January 23rd

Come hear new member of the JSS team, Rabbi Renee Bauer,

Director of Chaplaincy and Outreach speak on Refugee Resettlement and its intrinsic ties to Judaism; both historically and religiously. Rabbi Bauer began her new position at JSS in November. As Director of Chaplaincy and Outreach, Rabbi Bauer provides



Rabbi Renee Bauer

the Jewish Social Services community with a Jewish spiritual presence. She also coordinates outreach and training for the new Jewish Social Services Refugee Resettlement Program. Rabbi Bauer has significant experience through her work as a rabbi for six years at Congregation Mayim Rabin in Minneapolis and internships at a Jewish nursing home and the Bay Area Jewish Healing Center. Additional experience comes from working as the executive director of the Interfaith Coalition for Worker Justice for the past nine years.



Paul Borowsky

Monday, January 30th

Paul Borowsky, a new staff member, is the coordinator at the Lechayim mealsite. His new position at JSS is Volunteer Engagement and Events Program Manager. Paul graduated from the UW-Madison with a master's degree in Cultural Anthropology. He has a long standing interest in ecology and Native American and

local history. Paul served on the Dane County Historical Society and the Friends of the Lakeshore Nature Preserve where he helped plan and lead tours and educational events. He will present on cultural and environmental issues relating to effigy mound building tradition here in Southern Wisconsin from 700-1100 AD.



Middleton Jazz will entertain on Monday, January 9th.

Thank you to our Menorah Delivery Volunteers!



JSS would like to thank the volunteers who delivered menorahs for Hanukkah recently. Seniors living in assisted living, memory care and skilled nursing facilities received menorahs and visits from:

DiTullio Family, Jerry Goodman, Stacy Graff, Ronnie Hess, Dori Kalish-Huza, Marilyn Kupferberg, Linda Reivitz, Lois Goldstein, Francie Smith-Saposnik, Maya Garbuz, Lorna Kniaz, and Joshua Klein.

This article is about achievements of the healthcare system in Israel (part 2).

О достижениях здравоохранения в Израиле

(окончание)

Нейрохирургия в Израиле считается одной из лучших в мире. Израильские медики сегодня проводят все типы операций на головном и спинном мозге, позвоночнике и периферических нервах, в том числе, опухолей головного и спинного мозга, как доброкачественных, так и злокачественных, травм головы и позвоночника, грыжи межпозвоночных дисков. Проводится также лечение сосудистых деформаций головного и спинного мозга, нарушений мозгового кровообращения и их последствий, а также хирургическое лечение эпилепсии.

Большими достижениями славится медицина Израиля и в сфере трансплантологии, а также эндопротезирования суставов. Высокотехнологичные разработки, совместно с европейскими специалистами, позволили создать специальный роботизированный биопротез руки, который может выполнять самые разные функции, вплоть до игры на музыкальных инструментах.

В медицине Израиля активно идет разработка и внедрение нанотехнологий, особенно в фармакологии, которое состоит в применении микрочастиц лекарственных веществ. Широко применяются и методы генной инженерии по разработке т.н. моноклональных антител в лечении аутоиммунных, воспалительных и онкологических заболеваний. Успехи Израиля в лечении рака также достигается благодаря применению нанотехнологий. Основу здесь составляет ранняя диагностика с помощью биомаркеров. Применяется новейший метод лечения – селективная внутренняя лучевая терапия. Союз наночастиц, захватывающих злокачественные клетки, и магнитного поля в прямом смысле “сжигает” опухоль. Анализ ДНК помогает диагностировать рак на ранней стадии. Разрабатываются даже методы иммунизации против рака.

Особо стоит отметить высокую точность диагностики заболеваний сердца и сосудов, так как израильские медики используют самые современные технологии – трехмерное и четырехмерное ультразвуковое изображение, ангиосканирование, магниторезонансную ангиографию, компьютерную томографию, а также виртуальное обследование сердца. Кардиохирургическая школа Израиля является одной из ведущих и не уступает таким общепризнанным мировым лидерам в этой области, как США или Германия.

Кардиохирурги Израиля достигли высоких результатов в оперативном лечении ишемической болезни сердца, коррекции сложнейших врожденных пороков, приобретенных ревматических пороков сердца с применением замены клапанов, в лечении аневризмы аорты, а также в

области пересадки сердца. Особых успехов клиники Израиля достигли в лечении аритмий с помощью вживления искусственных водителей ритма.

Весьма развита и детская кардиология. Израильская кардиохирургия применяет малоинвазивные вмешательства, когда вместо открытых операций с широким доступом и длительным восстановительным периодом применяются вмешательства через артерии или эндоскопические разрезы. Преимущество такой хирургии заболеваний сердца и сосудов в том, что заболевание лечится без разреза, а пациент даже не нуждается в наркозе во время процедуры. Лечение проводится под контролем рентгена или компьютерной томографии.

Популярны в Израиле амбулаторные кардиологические консультации детей. На такие консультации направляют новорожденных после того, как педиатр заподозрит у ребенка врожденный или приобретенный порок сердца. Такие кардиологические клиники функционируют последние десять лет. Это совместный проект, основанный отделениями детской кардиологии и отделениями генетики. Врачи кардиологи и генетики обследуют маленького пациента, проводят для семьи ребенка специфическую генетическую консультацию, а родственникам дают разъяснения о состоянии порока сердца и как он может наследоваться.

В заключение остановлюсь на двух, на первый взгляд не связанных между собой, направлений в медицине. Это – болезнь Альцгеймера и офтальмология. Их объединяет один важный фактор: болезнь Альцгеймера связана с преклонным возрастом в полной мере, а офтальмология – частично, но затрагивает огромную массу пациентов. В этом смысле оба направления в медицине обладают важной социальной значимостью. С возрастом человек накапливает жизненный опыт, учится на своих ошибках и больше понимает особенности общества, в котором живет. Поэтому лечение болезни Альцгеймера и широкая офтальмологическая помощь, как говорят социологи, направлены на повышение использования гуманитарного капитала в обществе.

Болезнь Альцгеймера поражает одного из 20 человек в возрасте 65 лет и старше. От этой болезни страдают 5,4 миллиона человек в США, где она является шестой по значимости причиной смерти. Около половины пациентов с болезнью Альцгеймера также страдают от депрессии. Израильские ученые достигли важного прогресса в борьбе с этим недугом. Кратко об этом.

Разработана лечебная электромагнитная система, которая стимулирует области мозга, ответственные за память, что делает возможным индивидуальные тренировки по восстановлению памяти. Запатентован медицинский аппарат, который при заболевании Альцгеймера определяет, какие участки мозга нужно стимулировать и как интенсивно.

Аппарат используется также в США и в 22 центрах по всему миру. Разработана компьютерная программа для обеспечения стимуляции памяти у пациентов с болезнью Альцгеймера. Словесные, числовые и геометрические упражнения, плюс специальные учебные задачи регулируются в соответствии с особенностями каждого пользователя. Программа доступна на различных языках. Исследование, проведенное в Тель-Авивском университете, показало, что у половины пациентов с болезнью Альцгеймера присутствует определенный ген, который имеется также у 15% всего населения. Употребление в пищу продуктов с высоким содержанием рыбьего жира и другой пищи с низким содержанием холестерина позволяет значительно снизить негативное воздействие гена. Диетологические исследования показывают, что здоровое питание может противодействовать проблеме болезни Альцгеймера. Специальный лекарственный препарат обладает защитными свойствами применительно к мозговым клеткам. Проходят его клинические испытания на больных с умеренными нарушениями памяти. Разработан другой препарат для иммунотерапии, имитирующий процесс мутации, способный предотвратить прогрессирование болезни Альцгеймера и улучшить функции памяти. Наконец, курьезный результат. Собака колли из Финляндии обучалась в Израиле и была первой в мире собакой, специально тренированной для оказания помощи людям, страдающим ранней стадией болезни Альцгеймера. С тех пор израильские специалисты обучили 500 собак, которые находятся в разных странах мира. Во время прогулки пациент, почувствовавший дезориентацию, произносит кодовое слово или посылает одним нажимом сигнал бедствия, и обученная собака немедленно отводит его домой. Псы также предотвращают депрессию и страхи, играя с хозяевами.

Ученые Израиля работают рядом инноваций, обещающих значительно улучшить зрение и повысить качество жизни людей, страдающих от таких проблем. Вот несколько достижений израильской науки и медицины для лечения офтальмологических заболеваний.

Разработан имплантируемый телескоп, помогающий при дегенерации желтого пятна глаза. Устройство, размером с горошину, улучшает зрение пациентов с последней стадией возрастной макулярной дегенерации. Миниатюрный телескоп имплантируется в один глаз для расширения зоны центрального видения в области поврежденной сетчатки. Второй глаз обеспечивает периферическое зрение для мобильности и ориентации.

Израильские новаторы разработали мобильное приложение к клавиатуре компьютера, основанное на жестах и позволяющее слепым свободно печатать на смартфонах с помощью гибкой системы жестов. Приложение

также предоставляет возможность печатать по системе Брайля.

Другое уникальное устройство присоединяется к очкам и подключается к маленькому переносному компьютеру в кармане пациента. Используя технологию костной проводимости, оно “проговаривает” текст (меню, вывески на улицах, этикетки товаров, газеты), а также номера автобусов и других объектов, на которые указывает пользователь. Устройство даже распознает лица и свет светофоров. С помощью таких жестов, как встряхивания или взмахи, можно “учить” устройство узнавать изображения, которых еще нет в системе.

Разработан первый в мире смартфон для людей с ограничениями зрения. Прибор использует передовые технологии смартфонов (датчики, камера, компас и динамики) и услуги связи (телефон, сообщения Интернета), предоставляя пользователям независимость и доступность к основным цифровым услугам.

Израильская компания разработала искусственную сетчатку, активизирующуюся очками, которые оснащены источниками лазерных лучей. Сетчатка преобразует свет в электрические импульсы, стимулирующие нейроны. Технология позволит восстановить зрение при разрушенной сетчатке.

Прототип бионических контактных линз, разработанный исследователями из университета Тель-Авива, “прессует” изображения в глаз для того, чтобы помочь мозгу расшифровать увиденное. Электросигналы посылаются в линзы от небольшого датчика или скачиваются на смартфон. Сигналы передаются в роговицу с помощью закодированного специального изображения. Поскольку у роговицы из всего человеческого организма самая высокая плотность сенсорных датчиков, она может перевести изображение в тактильные ощущения, которые могут быть интерпретированы визуально.

Запатентованные электронные очки, лечат детскую форму амблиопии, также известную под названием “ленивый глаз”. Это происходит с помощью автоматического затвора, превращающего объектив в прозрачный или матовый. Эти очки исправляют или размывают изображения в здоровом глазу, для того чтобы заставить слабый глаз функционировать и развиваться.

Десять лет тому назад разработаны миниатюрные имплантанты для шунтирования глаукомы. Эта разработка была использована для лечения 60 000 пациентов в мире.

Данная статья носит ознакомительный характер, основана на литературе и может быть полезна читателям, в той или иной степени заинтересованным в вопросах медицины.

Israel and the World



From the Mid-east to the Mid-west

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Israel: One Country, a Potpourri of People

In 1898, the historian Simon Dubnow predicted in his most optimistic calculations that in 2000 there would be approximately 500,000 Jews in Israel. But since then, Israel has become a center for the Jewish people and Jews have arrived from all over the world, making Israel the biggest and most diverse Jewish community. In the coming months we will use this article to feature one "community" of Israelis each month so you can learn more about the potpourri of people in Israel.

Thank you for all those who came to the Black Moon party #2 about the Russian Jews in Israel, This month we feature the Greeks. Yaso!!

JFNA and the Greek community

In November, we attended the Jewish Federation of North America's annual General Assembly. At the Opening Plenary, an impressive woman with a strong foreign accent took the stage. She represented the Greek Jewish community. She talked about the difficulty of raising a Jewish family and building a Jewish community in Greece after WWII, and she mentioned the personal relationships that the Greek Jewish community has with Israel. But more than anything, we were moved to tears, when she expressed how their lives were impacted by the support of the JFNA, and how the relationship between their community and JFNA gives them the strength to continue and fight for Jewish life for their children.

In December, we celebrate Hanukkah and the Hasmonean struggle against the Greek empire. So this month is a perfect time to talk about the Greek Jews, their history, and their impact on Israeli society.

There is a long history of the Jewish

community in Greece. Even in the books of the Maccabees, which tell the story of Hanukkah, there is an exchange of letters between Israel to the Jewish community in Sparta (yes, the same Sparta from the movie "300"), and there is evidence that during the Maccabean revolt, (167 BCE) many Jews were sold into slavery to Greece. After the Alhambra Decree in 1492, many Spanish and Portuguese Jews arrived in Greece, mainly in Thessaloniki, which was nicknamed "Jerusalem of the Balkan". In November 1941, 78,750 Jews lived in Greece, accounting for 1.2% of the population, 55,000 of them in Thessaloniki. During the Holocaust 80% of this community was erased. In January 1945, after the war, only 2,000 Jews were left in Thessaloniki. Many of the survivors immigrated to Israel, and a small minority moved to the United States, Canada, and Australia. Today, the Jewish community in Greece is 5,300 Jews. In Israel, there are about 46,000 Greek & Bulgarian Jews.

The Greek community and Tel Aviv Port

The Greek Jews began arriving in Israel in the 1930's. The immigrants, most of them from the port city of Thessaloniki, were among the most prominent activists in establishing the Tel Aviv port, as well as upgrading the Haifa port. Even Tel Aviv's famous Florentin neighborhood – was founded by Thessaloniki's natives.

Aside from Tel Aviv and Haifa, there are a number of Israeli agricultural villages established by Greek immigrants, the first being Tzur Moshe, established in 1937.

Greek Influences on Israeli Life

For no specific reason, Greek music is significant in Israeli culture. There is a legendary Greek club in Jaffa called Ariana and many famous singers like Yehuda Poliker are Greek. Many of his songs, which combine rock, pop, and folk Greek music, are about being a son of

Thessaloniki's Holocaust survivors. Two years ago, Poliker was granted the Phoenix Medal by the Greek president and his government. It is a prestigious honor, bestowed at that time only to forty-six people, including the Queen of England and the last Greek king!

Shimon Parnas, an expert in Greek music and host of the television program The Tavern, is responsible for bringing Greek music to every Israeli home. "The Greek music," said Parnas, "is flourishing in Israel over 65 years. First, listeners were of course the small Greek community in the country, most of them Holocaust survivors." This, however, only signaled the beginning of a long line of Greek songs that have been translated into Hebrew and have become the inalienable property of the Israeli singer. Some of them were performed by the famous classic Israeli band, The Yarkon Trio.

"This is a phenomenon that is unparalleled in terms of Greek music," says Assaf Shlonski, a radio MC, "there is no other non-Greek community in the world who loves this music as the Israelis. Greek singers appear around the world where there are large Greek communities. In Israel, however, also unknown international singers fill halls."

And something tasty for dessert

The most famous Greek dish in Israel is the Greek Salad, which you can find in every dairy restaurant. But if you are going to Tel-Aviv soon you might try some of the best Greek restaurants in Israel. Our recommendations are:

Capitan: Greek Market Restaurant located on the street leading to the Carmel market. With Greek music in the background, the menu contains all the Greek classics such as Suphalak, mous-saka, gyros and much ouzo. There is even more fervor in the atmosphere on Friday and Saturday afternoon, when you can see the breaking of plates. 3 Rambam, Tel Aviv, +972-3-5759579.

Greco: A great Greek restaurant that serves a varied Greek menu, includes interpretations of the two batches of Greek nationalism - Suphalak and dentate. Spacious and stylish. Outside the restaurant, you can enjoy the fresh breeze of the Tel Baruch beach nearby.

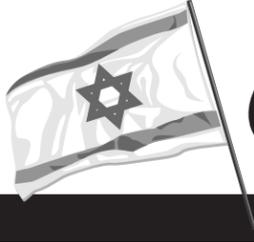
25 Greenberg, Tel Aviv, +972-3-7411022.

So, we wish you all Happy Hanukkah, and happy 2017.

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Yehuda Poliker playing on the Buzuki.



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Black Moon Party about Russian Israelis



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To learn more about what is happening in Israel you can view these websites:

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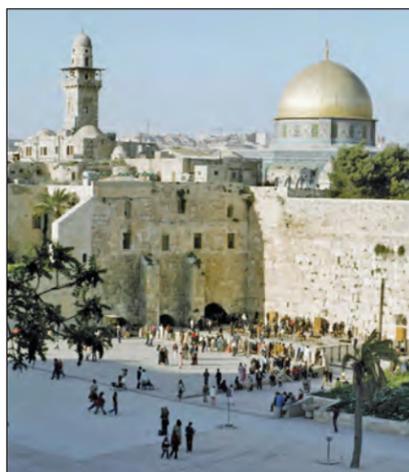
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