offered by the Jewish Federation of Reading/Berks (listed as JCC, JFS, JFR), Kesher Zion Synagogue (KZ), Reform Congrega tion Oheb Sholom (RCOS), and Chabad-Lubavitch of Berks (Chabad). To learn more about any event listed here, read articles throughout the Shalom or see our online calendar at readingjewishcommunity.org/calendar Contact 610.921.0624 or info@jfreaing.org

with questions.

December 2025 Kislev 5786 to Tevet 5786

md **JCC ROMEO Club** Tuesday, December 2, 12:00 pm 2:00 "Retired old men eating out" meets monthly for camaraderie and

always welcome.

Location: Paolo's 2480 Lancaster Pike, Reading

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JCC Bus Trip to the 76ers' game Tuesday, December 2, 4:00 pm

Join us as we recognize the Philadelphia area's Jewish community for a night of pride, connection and hoops. Bus leaves the JCC at 4pm, game at 7pm.

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Reading Jewish Film Series: Charles Grodin Tuesday, December 2, 7:00 pm

Charles Grodin: Rebel with a Cause is a documentary about Jewish comedic actor Charles Grodin, who is rememberd not just for his hilarious acting career, but also his decades long commitment to Tikkun Olam.

Location: GoggleWorks, 201 Washington St., Rdg

JFS Friendship Circle Thursday, December 4, 1:00 pm Dementia Friends is an interactive

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information session to learn about living with dementia and the small things you can do to show support to members of your community. Lunch is \$7 at 1pm, free program at 2pm.

Location: JCC, 1100 Berkshire Blvd., Wyomissing

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94 N JFR Meet and Greet with the CEO Thursday, December 4, 5:30 pm

Come mix, mingle and with your friends and meet the new CEO of Jewish Federation of Reading/Berks. Bring your friends! Kosher deli will be served. RSVP required.

Location: JCC, 1100 Berkshire Blvd., Wyomissing

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JCC Estate Planning Seminar Sunday, December 7, 10:00 am

Estate planning is one of the most meaningful ways to care for the people and the community we love. Attend this workshop offered by Antanavage Farbiarz PLLC. 9:30am Bagels, 10am Program

Location: JCC, 1100 Berkshire Blvd., Wyomissing

JCC Noontime Knowledge Wednesday, December 10, 12:00 pm "Unappreciated in their Time: Jewish

Female Modern Artists." This talk by Sara Howells will celebrate these women who changed the narrative of post-war Modern art.

Location: JCC, 1100 Berkshire Blvd., Wyomissing

RCOS Tot Shabbat Saturday, December 13, 10:00 am Rabbi Michelson leads a musical

shabbat with Cantor Stuart Binder for children ages 0-7 and their caregivers. Open to all families. Stay after for the tasty oneg!

Location: RCOS, 555 Warwick Drive, Wyo.

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RCOS Sisterhood Chanukah Party Sunday, December 14, 4:00 pm

Join your fellow congregants at RCOS for a delicious Chanukah dinner, dessert buffet, and a fun DIY Menorah contest! What menorah will you make?

Location: RCOS, 555 Warwick Dr., Wyomissing

Chabad Chanukah Fry Fest Monday, December 15, 5:30 pm

Chanukah party featuring family entertainment!

Location: Chabad, 2320 Hampden Blvd, Reading

JCC Noontime Knowledge Tuesday, December 16, 12:00 pm

Join us for a lively presentation by Jesse Bernstein of Theatre Ariel that is part talk and part performance, in which Jewish plays serve as a springboard for exploring the rich history and evolution of Jews in Diaspora.

Location: JCC, 1100 Berkshire Blvd., Wyomissing

City of Reading Menorah Lighting Tuesday, December 16, 5:15 pm

Celebrate Chanukah with the whole community! Bring your friends and neighbors to the public menorah lighting in Reading.

Location: 5th and Penn Streets, Reading

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JFS Friendship Circle Thursday, December 18, 1:00 pm

Volunteering in Israel during the war; we'll celebrate Hannukah and learn about Margo Levin's recent volunteer experiences in Israel during the war. Lunch is \$7 at 1pm, free program at 2pm.

Location: JCC, 1100 Berkshire Blvd., Wyomissing

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RCOS Latkes and Vodkas Thursday, December 18, 7:00 pm

Join Rabbi Michelson for a tasting of different latke recipes each paired with a special spirit. Non-drinkers welcome. \$12 per person.

Location: RCOS, 555 Warwick Dr., Wyomissing

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KZ Hanukkah Party Sunday, December 21, 5:00 pm

Attend the Kesher Zion Hanukkah party for Latkes, Donuts, Games, and Prizes!

Location: KZ, 555 Warwick Dr. Wyomissing

JCC Movie Monday Monday, December 29, 1:00 pm

End the year with a laugh. Bad Shabbos is a very dark comedy about a Shabbos dinner gone horribly wrong. It was the opening film of the Reading Jewish Film Series this year.

Location: JCC, 1100 Berkshire Blvd., Wyomissing