

January 2020

The Centerpiece

is your Programming Guide
for the Jewish Cultural Center
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Jewish Cultural Center
92nd St. Y Programs
Game Nights
Community Shabbat
Reading Jewish Film Series
Great Decisions
Interfaith Mitzvah Day
Yom Ha'atzmaut
PJ Library
PJ Our Way
Leo Camp Lecture

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 JCC Closed New Year's Day	2 1pm Friendship Circle	3	4
5 12:15pm Israeli Cooking with Adi Shalev	6 7pm at JCC Tiffany Shlain Rescheduled via Skype	7 12pm ROMEO lunch at Wyomissing Restaurant & Bakery	8 7pm Jewish Fil Series "Carl Laemmle" Fox Berkshire	9 1pm Friendship Circle	10	11
12 4pm Literatour Berks and PJ Our Way Presents Erica Perl at ECL	13	14	15	16 1pm Friendship Circle 7pm JFR Board meeting	17	18 10am Tot Shabbat at RCOS
19	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day. 10am MLK Youth Service at JCC 2pm, Highlands, 92Y DVD program Dr. Ruth	21	22 7:00pm at JCC Israeli Movie Night with Adi Shalev	23 1pm Friendship Circle	24	25
26	27 7pm Literatour Berks presents Barbara Ostfeld	28	29	30 1pm Friendship Circle	31 6pm Community Shabbat followed by dinner at Chabad	

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Tech Tuesday
Yom Hazikaron
Art Exhibits
Yom Hashoah
Annual Meeting and Picnic
Purim Carnival
Richard J. Yashek
Memorial Lecture
Kristallnacht Remembrance
Youth Events
Purim Masquerade Party
Bridge
Chevra
Mahjong
Trips to NYC/Philadelphia
Lakin Holocaust Library
& Resource Center
Shabbat B'yachad
Community Calendar

Literatour Berks January events

Jan. 6 at 7 p.m. at JCC—Literatour Berks Presents Tiffany Shlain, author of "24/6: The Power of Unplugging One Day a Week." RESCHEDULED FROM DECEMBER. AUTHOR APPEARING VIA SKYPE



Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. at JCC—Literatour Berks and PJ Library Present Erica S. Perl, author of "All Three Stooges." This children's book is not about the movie comedy trio. It's a humorous coming-of-age story about middle school friends.

Jan. 27 at 7 p.m. at Exeter Community Library—Literatour Berks Presents "Catbird: The Ballad of Barbi Prim" with Barbara J. Ostfeld. This book tells the story of an 8-year-old who overcomes challenges to become the first ordained woman cantor.



Save the Date:

Feb. 9—Literatour Berks Presents "Unorthodox Podcast Cast: Liel Liebovitz and Mark Oppenheimer"
March 1—Literatour Berks Brunch Featuring Jamie Bernstein

Harriet Tubman and the Underground Railroad

Jan. 16 at 1:45 p.m. at the JCC

Join Friendship Circle for a fascinating afternoon as Runette Gabrielle, a well-known Berks County singer, portrays abolitionist and activist Harriet Tubman. Born into slavery, Tubman escaped to the North. She jeopardized her own freedom by returning to the South 15 times to guide approximately 70 other slaves to their freedom using the Underground Railroad.

JFS Movie Monday

"Rosenwald" – Jan. 27 at 2 p.m. at JCC

The incredible story of a Jewish businessman who built thousands of schools in the segregationist South

Also screening at Friendship Circle, Jan. 23 at 1:45



ENRICHING LIVES
מעשירים חיים

Emergency closings & delays will be announced on local radio stations by 7:30am and www.readingeagle.com -- Lakin Preschool. Every LPS family will also receive an email. Please be sure to check one of these sources BEFORE bringing your child to school.

Lakin Dance Party

Wednesday, March 18
5:30 - 7:30pm at the RCOS Social Hall

\$5 per child -- Children under age 2 are FREE -- \$10 per adult with pizza (optional)
Advance registration is required ; Speak with Judy or your child's teacher to register
Children ages newborn to 12 are invited to join this party at Lakin Preschool -- a "just for kids" dance party! Locally renowned DJ Mike Kindlich from Jam on Sound will have the kids hopping with his energetic mix of kid's music and interactive games.
Pizza, beverages and desserts are included.
We request that parents please stay with their children.

MOMMY & ME PROGRAMS 0 - 3 Years Old				
Foundations 0-18 months	Monday	10:30-11:15	Join anytime	\$100
Level 2 18 months-3 yrs	Monday	9:30-10:15	Prorated	
Sprouts 9 - 24 months	Wednesday	9:00-10:00	Jan 23-May 1	\$170
PRESCHOOL ENRICHMENT				
KM Levels 3 and 4	Monday	1:00-1:30	Prorated Join anytime	
Soccer Shots 3 to 5 years	Tuesday	12:30-1:00	To register: berkscounty.ssreg.org	
Torah Tots All Ages	Monday	12:30-1:00	Jan 13, Feb 17, Mar 17, Apr 14	\$36
I Love Stories All ages	Wednesday	12:30-1:30	Jan 23 - May 15	\$170
Kaleidoscope	Thursday	12:30-3:00	3 sessions	\$180 each session
Amazing Athletes All ages	Friday	12:30-1:00	www.amazingathletes.com	
Early AM Drop-Off Stay & Play	Everyday	7:30-9:00am	As needed	\$8.00/hr

Kindermusik Village: 0-18 months

While bonding with your baby in the Village class, enjoy multi-level activities including creative movement, object and instrument exploration and vocal play. Your baby's growth and development are stimulated and all of his senses engaged! Parents and caregivers participate with their children.

Sprouts: 9 months-24 months

Toddlers are great companions! Join Sprouts and discover lots of activities to help you teach and stimulate your child while enhancing the parent-child bond. This class will be your child's earliest experience of Preschool. Structured for the needs and abilities of 9 to 24 month old toddlers, these classes provide both creative playtime as well as small and large muscle activity. Yoga poses will also be incorporated. Parents or caregivers participate with their children.

Kindermusik Our Time: 18 months-3 years

For the toddler, every day brings new discoveries and opportunities to explore the world. *Kindermusik Our Time* encourages children to be creative, to initiate their own ideas and to respond in their own ways, while the parent's active participation gives the toddler the security they need. Playing instruments, singing, moving and exploring uncover an engaging musical world while building the toddler's confidence, self-control and communication skills.

Visit the Toy Library!

Mondays 9 to 11 am

Come to Room 8 and have some coffee while you watch your child play with some toys and other children. Structured and non-structured activities will be presented, and you may even borrow a toy to take home!



INVITES YOU TO THE 2ND ANNUAL

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY YOUTH DAY OF SERVICE

**MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2020
10 A.M. AT JCC**

SERVICE PROJECTS BENEFITTING
BERKS CONNECTIONS/PRETRIAL
SERVICES (BCPS) &
FAMILY PROMISE OF BERKS





RSVP TO INFO@JFREADING.ORG



Showing Jan. 8 at 7 p.m., Fox Berkshire 800 Berkshire Blvd. Wyomissing

The Series is co-sponsored by the Rubin Educational Fund of the Jewish Federation of Reading & Fox Theatres.
Admission \$8; \$6 for JCC members.

"Carl Laemmle"

"Carl Laemmle" is a documentary about the extraordinary life of Carl Laemmle, the German-Jewish immigrant who founded Universal Pictures and saved more than 300 Jewish families from Nazi Germany. This American film tells the life story of Laemmle, who in addition to founding Universal Pictures, battled monopolies, empowered women in film, made the ultimate anti-war film, invented the monster movie and enabled hundreds of Jews to flee Nazi Germany.

We highly encourage you to purchase tickets in advance! You may do so at the theatre box office, kiosks or online. JCC member pricing is available in each of those formats.



Join us for **Bridge** at the JCC Duplicate Bridge Club Wednesdays at 12:30pm. All players are welcome. If you need a partner call Sue Wesner 610-972-5327 or Brian Snyder 484-838-0977. Sanctioned by the American Contract



Mah Jongg is played at the JCC every Monday at noon. Everyone is welcome to join the games. Contact Amanda Hornberger,

Friendship Circle

Thursdays – Optional luncheon at 1 p.m.: \$7 catered by Boscov's Ala Carte. RSVP to Carole at the JCC by Monday.
Programs at 1:45 unless otherwise noted. Varied programs are informative, educational and fun

JANUARY FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE PROGRAMS

- 2: Ask the Rabbi featuring Rabbi Michelson from RCOS. Bring your questions!
- 9: Come play "Taboo", Jewish edition, the game of unspeakable fun. Lots of Jewish-themed words to guess, including many Yiddish words.
- 16: Runette Gabrielle presents "Harriet Tubman."
- 23: Thursday Film Festival. "Rosenwald." Taxi pickup at 3:30.
- 30: "Matter of Balance" with Martha Sitler from Berks Encore. This program can help reduce fear and increase the activity levels of older adults who have concerns about falling. It will also help participants change their environment to reduce fall risk factors.

JCC Dates to Remember

Wednesday, Jan. 1.....New Year's Day, JCC closed

Tuesday, Jan. 7 ROMEO Club lunch, noon, at Wyomissing Family Restaurant.

Saturday, Jan. 18.....Tot Shabbat at RCOS, 10 a.m.

Monday, Jan. 20:92nd St Y DVD Program: Dr. Ruth Westheimer, 2 p.m., Highlands, Wyomissing

Friday, Jan. 31.....Community Shabbat at Chabad