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Meet the Finkels: Joshua Finkel named new Cantor at Temple Shomer Emunim

By Emily Gordon

Joshua Finkel has lived all over the world, from Jerusalem to China to New York City.

But there's something special about Toledo, Temple Shomer Emunim's new cantor said.

"The people here are caring and warm. They enjoy their lives and they're more relaxed. They care about the right things and don't get too worked up about the wrong things," Finkel said. "I feel the people here are very Jewishly committed as well."

The St. Louis native and his wife, Emily, who grew up near Albany, New York, "fell in love" with the greater Toledo area and its Jewish community when they visited the Temple for his interview, Emily said.

"There's a particular type of friendliness here that reminds me of home. When we came here for his interview I remember saying it felt like a good combination of St. Louis and New England, a nice meshing of our two homes," Emily said. "It felt very normal here, very homey, not fast paced like New York City. It's been great being here. Very hamish."

The couple and their children, Sophia, 4, and Jakob, 19 months, moved here from Livingston, New Jersey, where Joshua was cantor at Temple Emanu-El of West Essex for two years.

Though he interviewed for cantor positions in Florida and Los Angeles, the Finkels thought being in the Midwest would be a good fit for their family.

The Temple's "team" was also a deciding factor, Joshua said.

"I really wanted the opportunity to work with Rabbi Sam Weinstein. I was very impressed with him and find him to be a kind and committed mentor," he said. "Everyone here is exemplary: Lynn Nusbaum, executive director; Wendy Payne, director of religious education; Bob Rae, our great accompanist... they're all part of our incredible team at Shomer Emunim. They're deeply committed, but they also know how to have fun, which is also important."

Little did Finkel know, Rabbi Weinstein was impressed with him, too.

"Josh is creative, a wonderful musician, and he has a very extensive knowledge of Judaism. He brings a tremendous amount of warmth and enthusiasm to whatever he's doing," Weinstein said. "I think he'll be a great asset in building communal and congregational life. He's already enhancing Jewish life in our community."

Nusbaum agreed, saying she feels fortunate the Temple found "such a perfect fit" in Finkel.

"I am beyond thrilled to have Josh here working as part of the Temple professional staff. Josh has a true passion for Judaism, combined with a love for all things musical. These are real gifts that he will be able to share with our congregational family, our Jewish community and the community at large," she said. "I know that we will all be further enriched by his presence in our congregation and community through his beau-

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Arie Eisenman of Galilee Medical Center visits Toledo, discusses affiliation with University of Toledo



Dr. Arie Eisenman speaking to a crowd of nearly 150 people at Congregation B'nai Israel about the important humanitarian work that is taking place at the Galilee Medical Center in Nahariya, Israel.

By Emily Gordon

Arie Eisenman is a man of many stories. As the head of internal medicine within the emergency department at Galilee Medical Center in Nahariya, Israel, and chairman of the Partnership2Gether Medical Task Force at the Jewish Agency, he had many to share while speaking at University of Toledo and Congregation B'nai Israel last month.

The Galilee Medical Center, located only six miles from the Lebanese border, is the closest hospital to any border in Israel and has a long history of being prepared for mass casualty events.

GMC was the first hospital in Israel to build an underground hospital, providing continuous safe and secure care to patients in the event of warfare.

It is now widely considered to be the model for medical institutions nationwide.

Soon, some of the university's medical students will have the opportunity to learn at the esteemed hospital thanks to an affiliation between the university and GMC, said Kris Brickman, director of the Office of Global Health and chair of the department of emergency medicine at the university.

"I feel Galilee Medical Center provides a unique and intriguing opportunity for engaging our students, residents, and faculty in an affiliation relationship. I believe collaboration with Galilee Medical Center would also be an outstanding opportunity to provide a faculty exchange between UTMC and GMC," Brickman said. "Overall, I feel this institution could be an important component for our Global Health

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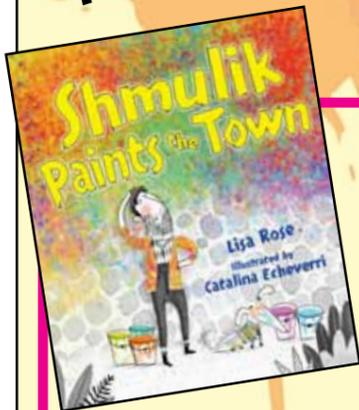
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Meet a few of the 24 artists

Leah Conner

Leah was born in Austria, spent her childhood in Israel, moved to Omaha, Nebraska, lived in Monroe, Michigan, and finally ended up in Toledo where her and her husband made their permanent home and raised their son. After teaching during the year, gardening in the summers was Leah's therapy. Having retired from teaching, Leah found gardening to be one of her passions. In the winter, she shifts her gardening energy to sewing. Leah recycles wool by making warm felted mittens, which she donates to local cancer patients. Having been a cancer patient myself, Leah knows the need to keep warm when going through chemotherapy. Making these mittens is her way of giving back to the center, which helped her during her fight with cancer. Leah enjoys color coordinating and designing the mittens. Leah buys wool, washes it so that it becomes felt, lines it with warm fleece material, and finishes it off with style. It is very satisfying to see a nice looking and useful finished product.

Lila Goldman

Lila is a recent graduate from the Toledo School for the Arts. Ever since she was a young child, Lila loved to draw and paint. Her favorite mediums to work with are graphite and acrylic paint. She won three awards for a cubism collage as a sophomore in high school for the ninth congressional art show. When she was a junior, one of Lila's pieces was featured in the Toledo Museum of Art, along with her classmates. Lila loves teaching young children and may pursue art education. Lila will attend the University of Toledo in the fall of 2016 majoring in visual arts with hopes to become an artist and/or art educator.

Jill Lane

Jill was the secretary for the David S. Stone Hebrew Academy for 17 wonderful years where both of her children, Elizabeth and Jennifer, attended. When she was 21, her mother taught her how to needlepoint. She loved creating and working on many different subjects and as she grew older, learned how to do many different stitches and how to use pearls, crystals and beads to enhance

the subjects. She spent over a year creating her daughters 2 piece Chupah. Now that she is the grandmother of two, she is very busy making children's needlepoints and even doing stamped cross stitch quilts. She has also made cross stitch quilts for all of her cousin's grandchildren. Needlepoint and stamped cross stitch is something she finds to be calming and has been known to sit and work for 24 hours on a project. Besides her family, this is the "enjoyment of her life".

Gail Mirrow

Gail has lived in Toledo since 1971 with her husband Jay. Moving from Philadelphia to Toledo was one of the turning points of their lives. Gail had a wonderful 37 year career in education, retiring in 2007. Retirement opened the window of art for Gail, specifically glass art. TMA's Glass Pavilion opened in 2006 and classes were, and still are, available to learn all different types of glass art. After several years of instruction, she decided to focus on kiln fired glass.

Giro Glassworx was established in 2009, and Gail has produced over six hundred signed and numbered glass pieces since then. Kiln fired glass gives her the opportunity to create both small and large pieces of usable glass art. Her love of color and design is expressed in the individual pieces she creates. Giro is Funky Functional Fusions.

Sheila Painter

An award-winning quilter, Sheila proclaims that cutting up fabric and sewing it back together produces magical results: warm cuddly quilts that dazzle the senses. Eight different sewing/quilting groups claim Sheila as a member, and she keeps busy attending meetings demonstrating techniques and inspiring other quilters. Besides sewing quilts for family and friends, she makes and donates quilts to many local charities. A prolific sewer, she says her adult sons don't want to inherit so many textiles after she's gone. Therefore Sheila wants to place as many of her pieces in worthy homes as possible. She has never sold her quilts before this event!

As many girls did, Sheila began sewing doll

clothes at a young age. She moved on to sewing toys, home decor and garments, but discovered quilting as an adult. Besides being a respected quilter, Sheila is a professional storyteller and has spoken and/or exhibited her work in six states. She often calls upon her husband, Donald, to give his quilting color and design choice opinions, and he does so reluctantly. Sheila also has three sons and four grandchildren

Debbie Perlmutter

Born Deborah Ann Williams and raised in Toledo, Debbie was an active member of Congregation B'nai Israel growing up, attending 5 years of Hebrew School and celebrated her Bat Mitzvah at the age of 13. Involved in USY for 4 years, Debbie was Toledo USY president in her junior year of high school and served one year on the Central Region board. Debbie was a member of BBG throughout high school as well. Art was an informal interest to Debbie throughout childhood.

In College, Debbie majored in art, attending Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri for her freshman year, then moving to attend the Portland Museum Art School in Portland, OR and graduating with a BFA in ceramics. After learning the basics in pottery, design, drawing, painting, and print making Debbie chose to focus her senior thesis project on hand built clay forms of a very organic nature which she fired with the smoldering sawdust technique which she had learned in a workshop at BGSU.

Upon completion of college in 1974, Debbie returned to Toledo with her husband, David, taught kindergarten part time at the Hebrew Academy of Toledo, joined the Toledo potters' guild and continued to make hand built pieces, some of which were sawdust fired while many others were more functional pieces made from colored clays which she glazes with a clear glaze. Working in her home studio over several years, Debbie sold her work in the Potters' Guild sales at Crosby Gardens as well as the Crosby Gardens Festival of the Arts and a handful of shops and galleries in Ann Arbor, and Petoskey, Michigan and Toledo, Cleveland, and Columbus. Debbie also displayed work at the Collectors Corner of the Toledo Museum

of Art and was accepted into the Museum's Toledo Area Artists exhibition in 1976 and 1977.

In the early 1980's, Debbie started growing her family and took a break from her pottery until this year, 2016. Debbie is currently experimenting again with hand built pieces that are fired in smoldering sawdust. Some of these pieces have been previously bisque fired while others are single fired with the sawdust process. I like the way that the smoke creates an irregular reduction atmosphere in which the surface of the piece develops a range of color and pattern that is mostly unplanned. I have been adding to many pieces with a wide range of wire, embroidery floss, beads and other materials to enhance the basic forms. By the time of this September festival, Debbie may have moved on to other kinds of pottery, as well.

Jane Petitjean

Jane graduated with a BFA from Kendall College of Art and Design, Grand Rapids, Michigan. She also studied at Olivet College, and Western Michigan University. For over 20 years, Jane has been a graphic designer and illustrator creating package design, advertising programs, and television commercials. She also taught graphic design as adjunct faculty at Monroe County Community College. Currently, she works and resides in The Historic Old West End, of Toledo, Ohio, just outside of the downtown area. She has been a resident artist at The Collingwood Arts Center participating in many exhibits, solo as well as special periodic group exhibits. Jane has exhibited with Quest for Fires Studio events including a solo exhibit event at Diva, Toledo, at The Leslie Adams Gallery, Toledo, 419Artomatic 2006, 2007 and 2009, exhibit at the Toledo Area Arts Commission Gallery 2007. She was honored with the Best of Show and Picasso Awards at the Arts Commission's Parkwood Gallery, 2009 Salon des Refuses. In 2010 Jane traveled to Israel where she was a featured artists in "Festival on the Fence" at Kibbutz Geshar Haziv in Nahariya, where she was a resident artist. Jane works out of her home studio in Toledo, Ohio.

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Dear Jewish Toledo A NOTE FROM YOUR CEO

I hope you are enjoying your summer as much as we are. The pool at the YMCA/JCC has been packed every day. It's amazing to see the different families that come into our building and participate in the great activities the Federation and the YMCA/JCC provide.

What makes me just as proud of our unique and wonderful partnership with the YMCA is that everyone who enters the building passes by an Israeli flag flying high on our campus. It's a statement not only of our support for Israel but a reminder that we Jews are proud of our heritage.

Speaking about Partnership, our community just concluded hosting the Partnership2Gether consortium meeting where 14 other Jewish communities came to Toledo for three days of learning and planning how to connect our communities together and how to deepen our partnership with the Western Galilee region of Israel. I would like to thank B'nai Israel and the Temple for being wonderful hosts.

One of the ways that the Federation is strengthen its ties with Israel and helping the Toledo community happened a few weeks ago. The University of Toledo Medical Center and the Hospital in our Partnership Region, the Galilee Medical Center, signed a cooperating agreement whereby the UTMC will begin exchanging students, residents, doctors, and nurses between Toledo and Israel to be trained by the staffs and to learn and give lectures.

To think that in the future, doctors and nurses will be practicing in Toledo and would have learned and possibly spent time in Israel, learning from our Partnership region's hospital is amazing and a testament to the strength of our Federation and the stewardship of your campaign contribution.

Thank you for your support of the Federation and enjoy the rest of your summer.

Joel Marcovitch



Joel Marcovitch, CEO and



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2016 SAVE THE DATE CALENDAR

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Dec 20	Annual Latke Luncheon	Seniors	Save the date

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Campaign Societies come together for some summer fun

Maimonides and Cardozo root, root root! for the home team at Hensville



Women's Shalom Hour makes fun and friendship an art at Copper Moon



Over 40 aspiring women artists were buzzing around Copper Moon Studios in June. The Women's Shalom Hour participants had a great time together creating their masterpieces. Beautiful rings, pendants, and sun catchers made from multi-colored fused glass, wine, and socializing were the theme of the evening.

Women's Shalom Hour is a society for all women who get together three to four times a year for social and educational opportunities. Thank you to our fabulous committee members.

On a beautiful, warm evening at Hensville downtown, the Maimonides (physicians) and Cardozo (attorneys) societies came together for a night of baseball.

This was the first event of combining the two societies and their spouses. On the rooftop, we enjoyed watching the Mudhens play, while eating, networking, and socializing with one another. A huge thank you to both the Maimonides and Cardozo committees for making this a memorable event.

Look for future opportunities to join in the fun.

For more information to get involved with these programs, please contact Wendy Goldstein, Campaign Director, at (419) 724-0360 or wendy@jewishtoledo.org.



Joel Marcovitch, CEO of Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo stands with the families of the slain at the Toledo vigil for the massacre in Orlando.

Toledo Jewish Community Foundation

Foundation celebrates 36th anniversary

The Toledo Jewish Community Foundation leadership gathered at Temple Shomer Emunim on June 16, in celebration of the Foundation's 36th anniversary. Daniel N. Steinberg, Chairman, delivered highlights of the past fiscal year indicating that the Foundation distributed \$1.8 million to support critical programs and services.

A special musical performance by Andra London topped off the evening. Her Jewish story through song, *A Modern Tale of Seasoned Traditions*, inspired all in attendance. Hillel leadership from the University of Toledo

and Bowling Green State University, Ben Whitney and Jacob Ritchart, spoke about their experiences as part of the Alternative Spring Break program as well as the impact of their participation in Hillel.

For more information about the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation, please contact Arleen R. Levine at Arleen@jewishtoledo.org or at 419-724-0355.

We also wish to acknowledge the generosity of Grand Lubell photography for its donation of creative services at the June 16, 2016 Foundation Event.



Dan Steinberg with Andra London and Arleen Levine



Paul Goldner and Sandy Soifer



Howard Rosenberg with Alix and Dick Greenblatt



Sheila and Stan Odesky



Erin and Joel Marcovitch



Diane Treuhaft with Stephen Rothschild



Bill Barkan with Arleen Levine



Debbie Diamond with Shirley Levine and Nora Romanoff



Ann and Howard Rosenberg



Jacob Ritchart with Elizabeth Lane and Ben Whitney

Foundation gift makes lasting impact on community

By Emily Gordon

Beatrice Cohen Stohl Goldman's commitment to strengthening the Jewish Toledo community began at a young age.

Both of the 98-year-old's parents were active in the community, teaching their daughter a lesson in tzedakah (justice, charity, and righteousness) that has lasted a lifetime.

"My father's favorite charitable interest was the Jewish National Fund, especially the planting of trees in the Jewish State of Israel. My mother was active in the Congregation B'nai Israel Sisterhood where she served in many capacities and was also involved in Hadassah."

Goldman followed in their charitable footsteps, running errands for those in need and visiting friends who might be otherwise isolated as a Friendly Visitor. In 2007, she received the Toledo Outstanding Senior Volunteer Honorable Mention Award, sponsored by Medical Mutual Senior Advisory Council, for exemplary community volunteer service.

A past member and president of the Friendship Club and Na'amat Council of Pioneer Women, member of Congregation B'nai Israel and its Sisterhood, and teacher at Congregation B'nai Israel Religious School, Goldman had a hand in every part of the community.

But her 2008 Charitable Gift Annuity with the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation is something that not only helps the community she loves, but also herself.

Through her gift to the Foundation in 2008, Goldman receives a steady stream of income, helping her pay for her "little extras" in life, she said, like dues and special occasion gifts for her son, David Stohl, daughter, Michelle Stohl Gluck, four grandchildren, and one great grandchild.

"As a native Toledoan, I wanted to leave money to the community I grew up in to help those who need it," she said. "It's a good thing to do, a good memory to leave for the community, and it's something perpetual."

Goldman moved to a retirement community in Pharr, Texas, in 2009 to be close to her son and to "escape Toledo's winter weather," she said with a laugh.

She has a busy schedule there, playing mahjong, bingo, and bridge with her friends, taking exercise classes, and going to services.

But she will always have a special place in her heart for her hometown, she said.

"Toledo is where I was born, raised, went to school, and got married," Goldman said. "I had the advantage of everything good Toledo gave me. This is my way of giving back."

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New opportunities for Jewish Community Relations Council

This summer, the Jewish Community Relations Council of Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo has been involved in ongoing meetings and new opportunities. I continue to participate in monthly Board of Community Relations meetings out of Toledo Mayor Paula Hicks-Hudson's office. The committee is currently working on updating its bylaws, helping resolve a 40-year neighborhood dispute, and planning ahead for Martin Luther King Jr. Day 2017.

I recently joined the Toledo Lucas County Welcome Committee. So far, we've had one meeting with 20 representatives of different organizations and communities in Toledo, including a representative from the office of U.S. Rep. Marcy Kaptur. At this meeting, each representative introduced themselves and discussed projects they are involved in and challenges their community is facing. The committee, which plans to meet monthly, is yet another opportunity for JFGT to get involved and build bridges with members of the greater community.

Last year, JCRC was part of the

Toledo International Film Festival. This year, we are working on becoming even more involved. Bruce Post represented JCRC and attended the first meeting of the film festival committee. We are hoping that this year we will be able to take a more proactive approach and suggest a wide variety of Israeli films rather than choose from those that have already been selected.

At the end of June, we had the opportunity to spend a day with Consulate General to the Mid-Atlantic Yaron Sideman. JCRC committee arranged for him to meet the Federation's board members and have a meeting with Hicks-Hudson regarding Israeli technology that may be able to assist Toledo with water treatments. Sideman also visited the Hillel house and met with JCRC committee prior to his return to Philadelphia.

Looking ahead, we are in the process of finalizing a few programs and events that I am very excited about. This list includes a collaboration with our African-American community during Black History Month. More on that on a later date.



Pictured left to right, Joel Marcovitch, Federation CEO, Toledo Mayor Paula Hicks-Hudson and Consulate General to the Mid-Atlantic Region, Yaron Sideman, in a meeting during a recent visit by Mr. Sideman to Toledo.

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Jewish Family Service



Friendly Visitor Retires After Almost a Decade of Service

By Emily Gordon

Many consider retirement to be a time of relaxation.

John Efroymsen saw it as an opportunity to be more active in his community.

When he retired as a chemist in 2004, Efroymsen jumped at the chance to give back, volunteering for Mobile Meals, Imagination Station, and Ohio Reads. He also served on the Social Action Committee at Temple Shomer Emunim. But Efroymsen is most proud of his time as a Friendly Visitor.

Volunteers with the Jewish Family Service Friendly Visitor Program, made possible through funding from the Jewish Senior Service Supporting Organization, bring the outside world in to elderly or disabled Jewish individuals who are homebound and isolated. They generate hope and a feeling of personal worth by nurturing their clients with the knowledge that they are highly regarded and valued.

Since 2007, Efroymsen has visited elderly or disabled clients weekly to provide them with friendship, reduce feelings of depression, help them develop new interests, and reawaken old ones.

In the nine years he's been a Friendly Visitor, Efroymsen has had three clients.

One was an unmarried elderly man who had no family, so Efroymsen's companionship was greatly appreciated. Another had been married for 71 years, and when his wife passed away, Efroymsen stepped in as his Friendly Visitor to help fill the void in the man's life.

Efroymsen's most recent client, Akiva Prettyman, is blind and hard of hearing.

The face-to-face interaction Efroymsen provides is very important to Prettyman, as he spends most of his time reading and playing games on his specially adapted computer.

Efroymsen's visits gave Prettyman opportunities to get out of the house and socialize.

Having a Friendly Visitor to talk to one-on-one also allows Prettyman to have fulfilling, in-depth conversations more easily than he can in groups due to his difficulty hearing.

"Having John as my Friendly Visitor meant I had someone to talk to beyond what the weather was like that day," Prettyman said.

This summer, Efroymsen and his wife, Donna, are moving to Seattle to be with their family.

It's a bittersweet new chapter in their lives, he said.

"We're going with very mixed feelings. My clients have given me more than I've given them," Efroymsen said. "The Friendly Visitor program is a two way street. You will bring some happiness to someone who might not have had it otherwise, but you will also learn and gain from the person. It's a good experience for both people."

Barbara Levison, program coordi-

nator, describes Efroymsen as "a kind soul, patient, and understanding." He was always willing and eager to accept a new client in effort to enhance the person's life any way he could, she said. "He has truly been a marvelous asset to our program," Levison said.

As a result of those efforts, John received the Medical Mutual Outstanding Senior Volunteer Award in 2012 for exemplary service.

Levison selected Efroymsen to be Prettyman's Friendly Visitor when she found they had similar interests and complementary personalities. "They were both intelligent people and I knew they would be able to have a lot of interesting discussions," she said. They became fast friends and have been a "dynamic duo" ever since, enjoying each other's company every week for two years, she said.

"Typically, a Friendly Visitor's role is providing their client with much needed socialization and someone to talk to for six months, but this was a real extension. They really have become very good friends," she said. "G-d blessed me when John walked through the door. He has been a vital link to Jewish life for Akiva."

The pair spent their time together discussing local and international current events and politics over lunch or long walks in Wildwood Preserve Metropark.

Efroymsen has taken his client to services, has hosted him in his home for a Seder, and even helped Prettyman move from his old apartment to Pelham Manor.

"He was a massive help. He went above and beyond the call of duty," Prettyman said.

Although the two plan on keeping in touch through email, Efroymsen's departure will be difficult at first for Prettyman. Nevertheless, he is looking forward to being matched with a new Friendly Visitor. "I can't clone John. I wish I could," Levison said with a laugh. "He has had a great impact on the program and the Toledo Jewish community. I am confident though that Akiva will be able to establish another nice, ongoing relationship with his new Friendly Visitor."

The community's aging members are depending on younger members to come forward and perform the mitzvot that often only Friendly Visitors can, Levison said, such as contributing to clients' sense of worth and identity, helping them reconnect with the Jewish community, and easing the struggle that comes with physical aspects of aging, disabilities, and illnesses.

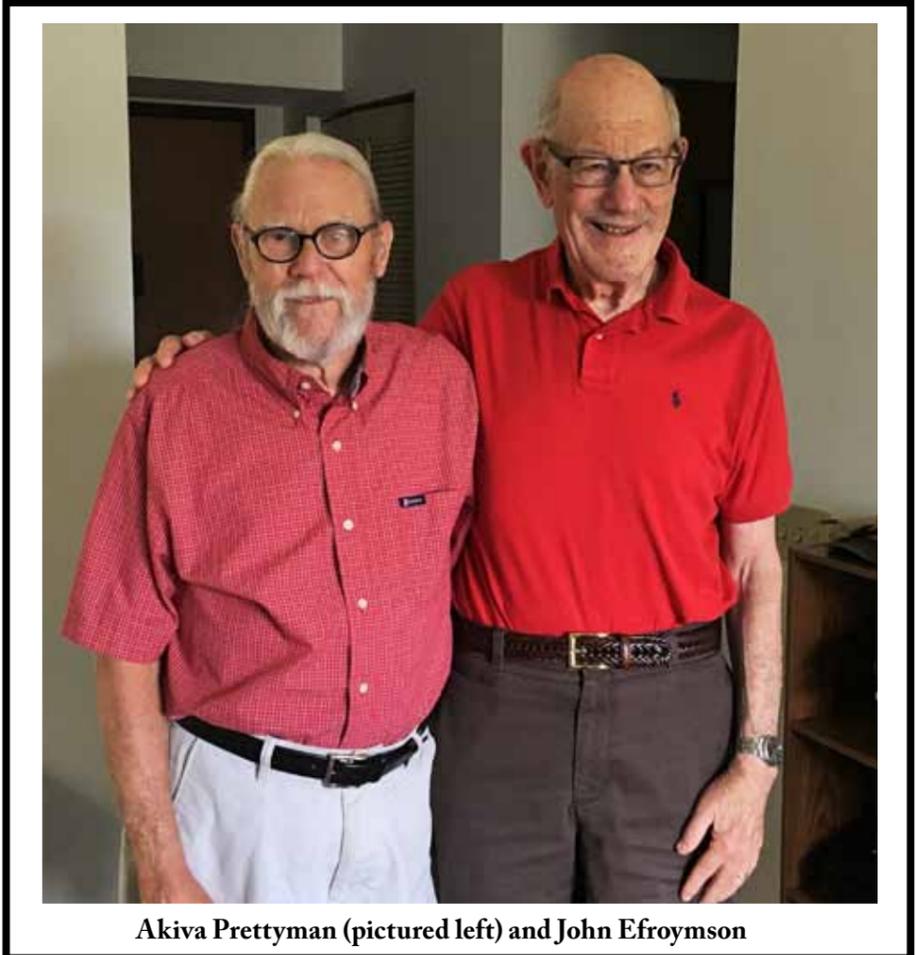
"Though there is some training involved, being a Friendly Visitor is not a hard job to do," Efroymsen said. In fact, it's been the highlight of his week many times.

"More people should be Friendly Visitors because there's not a lot of effort involved, just some time," he said. "It's not a chore. It's fun."

Anyone can be a Friendly Visitor,

whether they're high school students or in their 90s. The program currently has 17 Friendly Visitors for 21 clients. Levison and JFS staff offer ongoing education and supervision to give volunteers new skills, confidence, and support.

If you know someone in the Jewish community who would benefit from a Friendly Visitor or if you are interested in becoming a Friendly Visitor, contact Levison by phone at (419) 724-0407 or by email at Barbara@jewishtoledo.org.



Akiva Prettyman (pictured left) and John Efroymsen



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Linda and Joel Beren Honored by Israel Bonds



Pictured left to right are Joel and Linda Beren, Paul Goldner and Yaron Sideman, Consul General of Israel to the Mid-Atlantic Region, at the Israel Bonds reception honoring the Berens.

A record crowd of more than 120 friends and family of Linda and Joel Beren turned out June 26th for a dessert reception at Congregation B'nai Israel. The Berens were honored by Israel Bonds for their long-standing and meaningful service to Israel and the Jewish community. Paul Goldner, Toledo Campaign Chair for Israel Bonds, emceed the program. Guest speaker for the event was Yaron Sideman, Consul General of Israel in Philadelphia for the Mid-Atlantic region. Mr. Sideman spoke about the long term resiliency of Israel's economy, and the importance of Israel Bonds as a source of foreign currency debt finance.

Lucas County Treasurer Wade Kapszukiewicz was recognized for his support of Israel Bonds, along with KeyBank, PNC Bank, Fifth Third Bank, and Huntington National Bank. The Lucas County Treasurer invested \$1 million in Israel bonds in 2016. Paula Hicks-Hudson, Mayor of Toledo, also was in attendance.

Thomas Lockshin, Israel Bonds Executive Director for Ohio & Kentucky, requested those in at-

tendance to consider taking action by investing in Israel bonds. "Help Israel Bonds reach its goal for Israel's budget," Lockshin said, "and earn a strong interest rate for your own portfolio." Paul Goldner stated, "Israel bonds have been dependable investments for sixty-four years and help strengthen Israel by supporting every aspect of Israel's economy."

Goldner and Cantor Ivor Lichterman gave tribute remarks before the Berens were presented the Shimon Peres Leadership Award. Upon acceptance, Joel Beren urged the audience to support Israel in many ways, especially through the Israel Bonds organization.

Not including institutional investments, the Greater Toledo community raised nearly \$500,000 in Israel bond purchases and intentions to purchase. Israel bonds may still be purchased through the end of the year to support the event. Bonds start at \$36 online and are available for terms as short as two years. Visit www.israelbonds.com or call the Development Corporation for Israel/Israel Bonds regional office at 800-752-5667 for prospectuses, rates and information.

Religious Schools join together

Congregations B'nai Israel and Etz Chayim are pleased to announce that the David S. Stone and Ohr Chadash Religious Schools will be joining forces when school resumes on August 28, 2016. Both look forward to the joint venture.

Congregational and educational leaders from both synagogues have

been working on this project for some months. The goal is to provide greater opportunities for all students as they move on to this new phase in the lives of both congregations.

Please join us in supporting principal, Kim Brody and the entire staff, which is drawn from the membership of both congregations.

Local News

Finkel continued from front page
tiful voice, his infectious energy, and his warm personality.”

She also looks forward to spending time with Emily and their children, Nusbaum said.

The Finkels met as undergraduate students at Bard College on a field trip and married in 2009.

Joshua received his Bachelor’s in liberal arts there and his ordination and Master’s in sacred music at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and the Debbie Friedman School of Sacred Music. Emily has degrees in library science and English literature with a focus on renaissance religious text.

She served as student coordinator of Hillel at Columbia, taught a writing course at the New School in New York City, and worked as a catalogue librarian at New York University.

Now a stay-at-home mom, the Temple’s “team” made sure Emily knows her way around the area and suggested family friendly activities to enjoy.

She and Joshua have taken Sophia and Jakob to the Toledo Zoo & Aquarium and to Olander Park for walks and exploring. Jakob loves spending time with the family’s cat, Britta, and being sociable with all the new people he’s meeting here. Sophia is also very sociable and has enjoyed having fun and making friends at Camp Gan Izzy.

She’s looking forward to starting Gan Yeladim Preschool in the fall and can’t wait to see the Mudhens play.

Her parents hope to catch a concert or two at the Toledo Zoo & Aquarium Amphitheater and sample morsels from Toledo’s “amazing foodie scene,” Emily said.

“But mostly, we just hang out at the Temple,” she said.

Joshua majored in theater and film as an undergrad, but he realized he wanted

to tell stories with his voice rather than a camera, leading him down the path to becoming a cantor.

“I realized pretty quickly that I wanted to use my musical abilities to tell stories that create more empowerment, self-knowledge, and peace in people,” he said.

Finkel called his taste in music “eclectic,” citing his love for “old-school” Eastern European and Western European traditional music, Jewish folk music, and intimate guitar music.

He writes liturgical music and secular folk music and plays the guitar.

Finkel was included in the Jewish Daily Forward’s “Soundtrack of Our Spirit: 21 Jewish Voices That Move Us” for his composition “Jerusalem” in 2015.

He also received the Josef Freudentahl Memorial Prize for Composition.

“I love Jewish music, I’m very passionate about it. Having music and Judaism be a part of what I do every single day is very important to me,” Joshua said.

His plans for the Temple in the near future include a Yiddish concert later this year with all the big hits from popular music, theater, and Jewish social movements of the modern era. He also has an adult Torah chanting and b’nai mitzvah class in the works, which will be open to the public, and plans to engage teens with creative services and adults and young children with music programs, he said.

“My greatest hero is Mr. Rogers. I want to bring that same kind of openness, that kind of nurturing environment to the kids and families of greater Toledo,” Finkel said. “Just to be there with people to bring joy to their celebrations and be there for them when they’re going through something difficult is pretty incredible. It’s something I feel very privileged to do.”

Arie Eisenberg continued from front page

Program moving forward.”

The 700 bed tertiary hospital serves as the primary academic institution for Bar Ilan Medical School and is distinguished in key areas of medical care and research involving primarily disaster management, he said, such as trauma care, neurosurgery, women’s and children’s health, and genetics research.

GMC is specifically identified by their nonpartisan focus on the care for Syrian refugees from the ISIS conflict over the past three years.

Since 2012, GMC has managed over 3,000 Syrian refugees with significant, life-threatening traumatic injuries due to the conflict with no concern to their national affiliation or religious orientation, Brickman said.

In addition, it plays a significant role in disaster preparedness for Northern Israel.

Half of the hospital beds can be relocated underground in a secure facility beneath the hospital, he said.

This area is actively used as a component of disaster management training and education for faculty, residents and students throughout the institution and region.

Rabbi Alan Sokobin, lecturer at UT and co-chair of the program made possible by the Global Medical Missions of the College of Medicine, said he is excited for all it offers students.

“The program offers medical students the opportunity to provide vital medical services to individuals in other lands and cultures while expanding their own vision of medical needs and practices,” Sokobin said. “Our students, under faculty supervision, are introduced to a variety of differing medical philosophies and practices. They return to their studies with an expanded knowledge and compassion; this experience enriches their future medical careers.” Given the demographically mixed population of Jews, Muslims, Christians, Druze, and Circassians GMC serves, the affiliation will give students a “mind-opening opportunity” in a multicultural setting, Sokobin said.

Meanwhile, the students will be safe during their time at GMC, Brickman assures. “I am confident there is more than adequate security to keep everyone safe with extremely high academic standards that would be an effective educational opportunity for all of our learners,” he said.

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Jewish Federation SENIOR PROGRAMS Calendar

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A Day at the Bay...PUT-IN-BAY

Tuesday, August 30

8 a.m. Depart Federation Campus – 6465 Sylvania Avenue (return approximately 7 p.m.)

\$60 per person includes bus transportation, ferry transportation, guided train tour, all stops, and lunch – limited seats!

Registration and payment required by Monday, August 15.

Join us for a day at Put-In-Bay. We will travel in style to Port Clinton where we will catch the Jet Express and enjoy the 20 minute ferry ride over to the island where our covered train will be waiting for us. We will tour the sights of the Butterfly House, Antique Car Museum, Heineman Winery, and enjoy a narrated tour of the Island. Lunch will be at the beautiful Boardwalk Upper Deck with more time to shop the shops! Dress in comfy shoes, put on the sunscreen and bring a hat! We will depart on the 10:15 a.m. ferry and return on the 5 p.m. ferry. *This trip has moderate walking/standing, and could include a few flights of stairs and/or uneven terrain.*

Kosher Shopping & Lunch in Detroit

Thursday, September 22

9:00 AM Depart from Senior Adult Center (Pelham Manor) -2700 Pelham Road

4:00 PM Approximate return time to Senior Adult Center

Registration is required by Friday, September 9 – limited seats

It's that time again to get ready for the High Holidays! So let's go north and bring your own reusable shopping bags and coolers to One Stop Kosher Grocery Store, Zeman's Kosher Bakery, Kroger's, and Harvard Row Kosher butcher shop! Lunch will be on your own at our mystery location. Please call ahead to Harvard Row (248-539-8806) and Zeman's (248-967-3905) to place your order for pick up.

Lake Erie Shores Wine Tour

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

9:30 a.m. Depart from the Federation Campus -6465 Sylvania Avenue

6:00 p.m. Return to the Federation Campus (Estimated)

\$45.00 per person – includes transportation, tastings & snacks at all wineries, lunch & bus snacks

Registration and Payment required by Friday, June 3

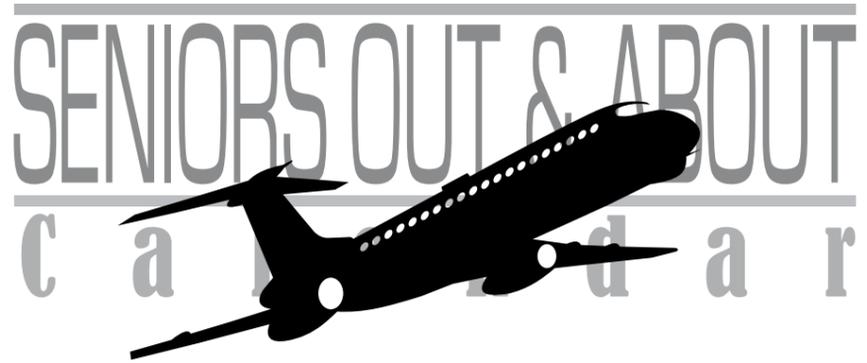
Ohio is a wine lover's haven. Ohioans have been commercially growing grapes since the early 1800s. Today, the state's winemakers continue the tradition of crafting high quality wines. Each year, more than 200 licensed Ohio wine manufacturers pump over \$786 million into the economy!

Let's help our economy grow as we explore just 4 of our Lake Erie Shores Wineries. We will enjoy a tour of **Firelands Winery**, you will see firsthand how their wine is made. From the tour balcony you have a clear view of the cellars, bottling room, champagne cellars, and warehouse. You will be able to see and experience an authentic working winery. Firelands is a premier winery both locally and within the state of Ohio! Going east to the **Paper Moon Vineyards**.

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of the property. These vines produced Paper Moon's first estate-grown wines in 2012. The varieties currently grown include Chambourcin, Marquette, Noiret, Traminette, and Vidal Blanc.

Continuing on our tour along the lake will be **Quarry Hill Winery & Orchard, established 2005** -the winery has offered a wide variety of award winning, estate grown & bottled Vinifera wines, including Ice Wine. The vineyard's peak sits at 834' above sea level, approximately 100' higher than the surrounding areas along the lake. They offer one of the "best views and scenery" of any winery in Ohio as acknowledged by Ohio Magazine! *This outing has moderate walking/standing, and could include a few flights of stairs and/or uneven terrain.*



Senior Out & About Getaways

Thursday, September 15 & Friday, September 16

Ohio Amish Country!

Join us for a fabulous mini get away in the heart of Ohio Amish Country! Enjoy travel via motor coach, accommodations at the lovely Carlisle Inn, Sugarcreek, lunch at Chalet in the Valley, a matinee performance of *Josiah for President*, *The New Musical*, a little shopping, dinner family style at Der Dutchman in Walnut Creek and an evening performance of *Kickin' Chicken* at The Amish Country Theater, Walnut Creek- live music, hilarious actors, and Ken Groves, nationally recognized ventriloquist.

Friday will allow us time to see more of the area with a stop at Hershberger's Farm and Bakery and Guggisberg Cheese, lunch in the area before we head home!

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A non-member may pay an additional \$75.00 per person

Full payment due at time of registration, no places will be held without payment. Registration and payment deadline is Monday, August 1.

NOTES:

* Driver Gratuity is strictly voluntary, suggested amount is \$3 - \$5 per day, per person and may be given directly to the driver at the end of trip.

* It is your responsibility to arrange roommates.

Travel insurance may be obtained by contacting your insurance agent.

A current 2016 emergency form needs to be on file.

This trip has moderate walking/standing, and could include a few flights of stairs and/or uneven terrain.

Travel itinerary subject to change

Active Life for 60 and Better

The 11th Annual Anniversary Senior Luncheon



Henry Ford Museum trip



Frankenmuth trip



Active Life for 60 and Better



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Thursday, August 25

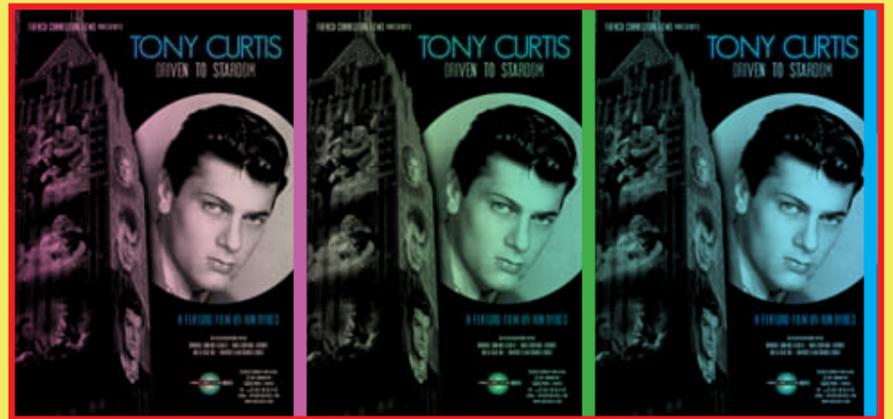
Sekach Community Service Building (JFS Building) 6505 Sylvania Avenue

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Tuesday, August 23 – Thursday, 25, 2016

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Tuesday, August 23

JCC/YMCA Main Building – 6465 Sylvania Avenue

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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Wednesday, August 24

JCC/YMCA Main Building – 6465 Sylvania Avenue

9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. (estimated return time)

Board the bus for Cornwell's Turkeyville USA in Marshall, Michigan! It's a Dinner Theatre Matinee show of ***The Mod Musical SHOUT!*** which flips through the years like a musical magazine and takes you back to the music, the fashion and the freedom of the 60s! This smashing revue tracks five groovy gals as they come of age. ***SHOUT!*** uses letters to an advice columnist, true confessions, quizzes and advertisements as a frame for terrific new arrangements of such chart-topping hits as *To Sir With Love*, *Downtown*, *You Don't Have to Say You Love Me*, *Son of A Preacher Man*, and *Goldfinger*. With its irresistible blend of hip-swivelling hits, eye-popping fashions and psychedelic dances from the 60's, this fun-filled musical will make you want to throw your head back and ***SHOUT!***

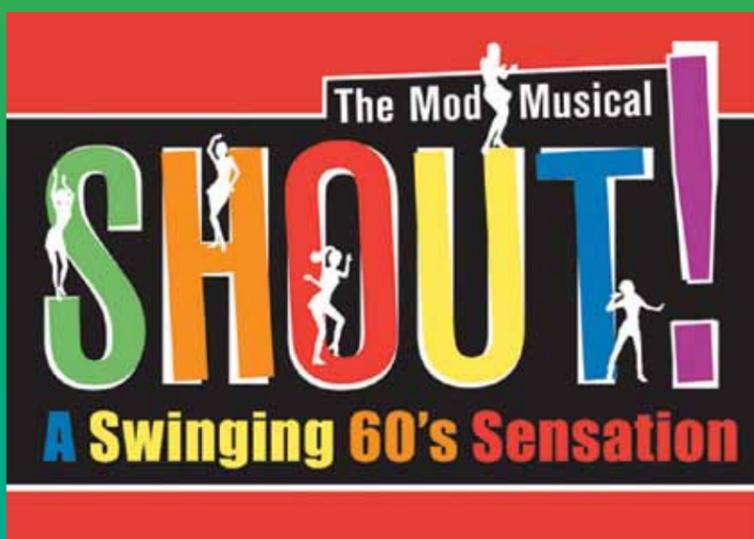
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- Lunch and Snacks will be provided at all Prime Time Summer events.
- Prime Time Summer events might have moderate walking/standing and could include a few flights of stairs and/or uneven terrain. If you are unsure, please call and ask.
- We encourage you to arrive at the beginning of the day and depart at the end of the day as the day is filled with wonderful opportunities, activities and so much more that you won't want to miss.
- In consideration of individuals who are sensitive, please consider the amount of perfume, cologne, and other fragrances that you wear.
- Itinerary subject to change.
- A current 2016 emergency form needs to be on file.

\$70 per person (includes all activities, meals, transportation – **everything!**)

Registration and payment for Prime Time Summer is due no later than Monday, August 8. Please call Emily at 419-531-2119 #2 or email registration@jewishtoledo.org

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YJT Serves Up the Annual Turkey Dinner at Pelham Manor

Thursday, November 17
Pelham Manor – 2700 Pelham Road
Dinner starts at 5, please arrive by 4:45pm

Join YJT for an amazing opportunity to give back to the Seniors of our community. We will be serving drinks, taking orders, and helping with clean up for the Annual Turkey Dinner at Pelham Manor.

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High Holiday Food Pantry Help

Sunday, October 23
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Jewish Family Service, Darlington Hall, 6505 Sylvania Ave

The Jewish Family Service Food Pantry is a well-known resource not only in the local Jewish community but for all Lucas county residents. Community food drives help sustain the food pantry, and the High Holiday drive is the largest of the year for the agency. This drive will help sustain the food pantry and will provide holiday meals for those in need.

YJT will join with JFS and the religious schools to organize, box, and shelve food pantry items for the upcoming holidays.

Please bring a paper item (napkins, toilet paper, etc.) with to donate to the pantry

RSVP Requested by Friday, October 21 to Colette Lundberg at 419-724-0361 or colette@jewishtoledo.org

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YJT Fridays

Get inspired with other young Jewish professionals at our NEW Shabbat dinner program. Socialize, nosh on some great eats and bring in Shabbat with new friends.

Friday, August 26, at 7:30 p.m. – San Marco's **Change in Date**

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Friday, September 16, at 7:30 p.m. – 5th Street Pub

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Wednesday, August 17
6 – 8 p.m.

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Dress to get dirty. Bring a water bottle and your own gloves. Tools and wine provided.

RSVP Requested by Tuesday, August 16 to Colette Lundberg at 419-724-0361 or colette@jewishtoledo.org



PJ Library®

On Friday, June 10, our PJ families came together for a special PJ playdate. PJ friends made “Dad Rocks” paper weights in honor of Father’s Day the following Sunday. For more information about PJ Library and Children and Youth Programming, please contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or Hallie@JewishToledo.org



PJ playdate splashed, squirted, played and snacked in the summer sun on Friday, July 8! For more information about PJ Library and Children and Youth Programming, please contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or Hallie@JewishToledo.org



PJ Playdates
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Moovin and Groovin with Laurel!

Friday, August 19
10 – 11:30 a.m.
Jewish Federation Campus - Leonard Lounge

Join us for a morning of Music with Laurel Weatherford! Laurel is a board certified music therapist who began working for the Monroe County Intermediate School District in August 2007. She completed her Undergraduate degree in Music Education at Miami University and her Masters in Music Therapy from Western Michigan University. Laurel specializes in Autism spectrum disorder, community based settings, early childhood education, age-appropriate educational collaboratives, and user-friendly data collection. Laurel has presented various workshops on school music therapy both at the State and National Level. She works as an adjunct professor at Lourdes University teaching an Introduction to Music Therapy for non music majors. In addition Laurel has been a guest lecturer at Western Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, and University of Michigan. Laurel currently serves as Vice President for Michigan Music Therapists Association.



Play with us at Sylvania Playland!

Friday, September 30
10 – 11:30 a.m.
Sylvania Playland – 3620 Centennial Road, Sylvania, OH 43560
\$5 per child – Includes playtime and snacks

Turkey Tots!

Friday, November 16
10 – 11:30 a.m.
Jewish Federation Campus – Leonard Lounge

Make some fun decorations for your Thanksgiving Table with friends!

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To learn more about PJ Library® and to ensure your child receives this wonderful gift, please contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@JewishToledo.org.

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– **Hazzan Ivor Yitzchak Lichterman**



“We owe a great debt of gratitude to our founders and those who worked with diligence and love this past century and a half so that we may have this vibrant congregation today. At this time in our history, we can rededicate ourselves to repay that debt by working with equal diligence and love to ensure a bright future for Congregation B’nai Israel, and for the Toledo Jewish community.”

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B'nai Mitzvah



We Honor Our B'nai Mitzvah



Ari Zeiter will be called to the Torah on Saturday, September 5, 2015 at Congregation Etz Chayim. He will be celebrating his special day with his parents Camille & Shawn Zeiter, brother Antonio and sister Isabel as well as grandparents Ruth & Ken Mitzner of Oceanside, California and Dolores Zeiter of Maumee, Ohio.

Ari attended the Hebrew Academy for three years and this year he will be in the eighth grade at Maumee Valley Country Day School. He attended Yad B'Yad

Religious School and Ohr Chadash through seventh grade. This past year he has studied intensively with Rabbi Ruben in preparation for

his Bar Mitzvah.

Ari enjoys spending time with his family and his pet cat, Dimitri. In addition he loves to play soccer. He also volunteers at Nature's Nursery in the area of wild-life rehabilitation.

We wish Ari the very best as he ascends "MaChayil El Chayil" - from strength to strength. May he always be a blessing to his family and the people of Israel.



Ava Grace Tuschman will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, August 27th at Temple Shomer Emunim. Ava is the daughter of Jennifer and Chad Tuschman and sister of Tenley and Wyatt. Her grandparents include Ina and James Tuschman of Toledo, Patricia and David Kassing of Falls Church, Virginia and Karen and Richard Spector of Beachwood, Ohio.

Ava will be an 8th grader at Timberstone Junior High this fall. In addition to her Honor classes, she was a member of the Timberstone Dance Team and on the yearbook staff. In her free time, Ava enjoys competitive dance as a member of Inspire Dance Company.

Ava looks forward to celebrating her Bat Mitzvah with family and friends.



Adam Howard Davis will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, August 6, 2016. Adam is the son of Hope and Greg Davis and the brother of Jeremy and Andy Davis. He is the grandson of Harriet and Marty Davis of Sylvania and Gloria and the late David Fettman of Canton, Ohio.

Adam is a seventh-grade honor student at Timberstone Jr. High where he enjoys playing clarinet in the school band. Adam is an avid fisherman with his grandpa in the summertime and together they volunteer at the Diabetes Youth Services camp introducing kids how to fish. He loves designing his own homes and one of his future dreams is to be an architect.

Adam would like to thank Cantor

Lichterman for all of his encouragement, training and guidance. He would also like to thank Fagie Benstein for helping him understand the meaning of his Torah and haftorah portions. Thank you, also, to Howard Rosenbaum for allowing him to participate in minyan services.

S'machot



Elana Lauber is happy to announce the engagement of her daughter, Natalie, to Jonathan Galed. Jon is the son of Ingrid Galed of Hackensack, New Jersey and Eli Galed of Beer Sheva, Israel.

Natalie is a 2007 graduate of The University of Toledo and earned a Master of Science in Education from Walden University in 2015. She is employed as an English teacher and department chair at Seminole High School.

Jon earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mass Communications from Franklin Pierce College in 2006 and is employed as a photo journalist for WFTV, the

ABC affiliate in Orlando.

Natalie and Jon will be married in January, 2017. They reside in Sanford, Florida.

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Submissions from Jewish community members reflecting on Jewish life.

Submit items (fiction, non-fiction, poetry, art, etc.) for consideration in Toledo Jewish News **by email only** to Paul Causman at paul@JewishToledo.org.

Haiku

By Margie Kohler

Shrill squawking of birds
Forcasts blue roling thunder;
Prelude to the storm.

Lust hides under rocks
Teaming with mating insects.
They want privacy.

Little shelled fetus,
Mother will protect your life.
Don't tremble, be still.

Floating candy wrap,
Who ate your cherry bon-bon,
Threw away your gold?

The trees are in pain
Giving birth to summer leaves.
They will tell the wind.

Troublemaker

By Margie Kohler

You saw, you loved, you conquered, took the leap
And started over and over again,
You cancelled out your promises and
Left behind hurt, despair, rejection, and confusion.

Now you own it, deny it, cover it up, and seal it up so you have become
Literally dead in this hemisphere.
I no longer believe in you because
In my mind you were totally useless and
Pretended ours would be "Always."

You turned it off and tried to inslut me in a lie.
Shame on you always and forever. Blessed
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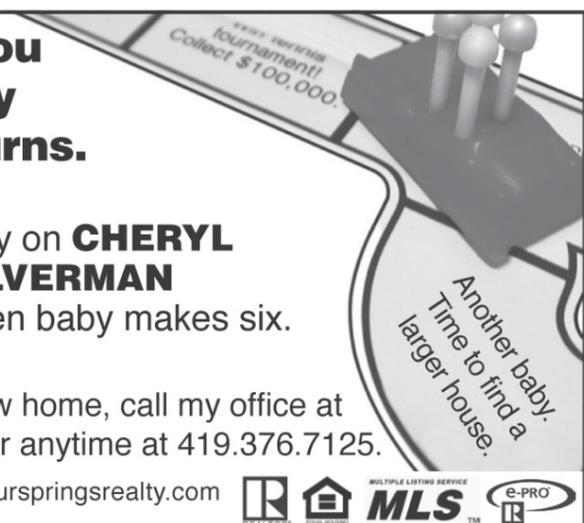


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SAVE THE DATE

Please join the Toledo Chapter of Hadassah at the opening Honor Roll meeting on Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 7 p.m. at the Vera & Leo Sekach Community Services Building. Our guest

speaker will be Lynn Furness, our Central Region President. Look for additional information in the Hadassah bulletin and the September issue of the Toledo Jewish News.

Hadassah Hospital Ein Kerem Ranked #1 in Quality Assurance

Hadassah Hospital Ein Kerem has been ranked as the leading medical center in the country for quality assurance by Israel's Ministry of Health.

This is the second year that the Ministry has publicized its statistics, believing that this transparency encourages hospitals to improve their service. Rather than showcasing dramatic surgical results or breakthroughs, these measurements evaluate practices that mark good medicine. They provide a means to define what hospitals actually do, as compared with their original targets, allowing them to identify opportunities for improvement.

While certain hospitals excelled in particular measurements, Hadassah did well in all of them. In addition, Hadassah was praised for making major improvements in all of its measures from 2014 to 2015.

"All the credit goes to Prof. Tamar Peretz, who preceded me," commented Hadassah Medical Organization Director General Prof. Zeev Rotstein. "We always knew that Hadassah has superb medicine and the best medical teams in the country. I hope that in addition to the excellent medicine at Hadassah, we will be able to provide financial security and to propel forward a new Hadassah which will be number one overall in the State of Israel."

Successful Start to Hadassah's Unique Stem Cell Clinical Trial to Treat Major Cause of Blindness

Hadassah Medical Center has begun clinical trials using a unique human embryonic stem cell therapy to stop progression of the dry form of Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD).

Dry-AMD is the leading cause of blindness in people over the age of 60, and a condition for which there is currently no FDA-approved therapy.

Hadassah was the second research team to implant human embryonic stem cells to treat dry macular degeneration, there are now at least four or five other groups around the world, working with different methodologies. Hadassah, however, remains a world leader in the research.

Hadassah, Rambam, and German Triumvirate Identify Another Fatal Genetic Disease

The mystery of yet another genetic mutation that has fatal consequences for children has been unraveled by a collaboration initiated by the Hadassah Medical Organization with colleagues from the Rambam Medical Center's Ruth Rappaport Children's hospital in Haifa and German partners. The cooperative venture is dedicated to the discovery and characterization

of congenital diseases of the immune system.

Recently, successful collaboration led to saving 15 Russian children who suffered from osteopetrosis and a Palestinian child who had Evans Syndrome through bone marrow transplantation performed at Hadassah by Dr. Polina Stepensky, head of the Pediatric Bone Marrow Transplantation Unit.

The discovery of this new gene, called a LAT signaling pathology, is the first report of an LAT-related disease in humans. (LAT dysfunction had previously been defined in mice.) LAT, the Linker that is needed for Activation of T cells, is a critical signaling hub for a healthy, well-regulated immune system.

"This is an additional example of successful collaboration among physicians (who are also friends), where we demonstrated how a precise genetic and immunological diagnosis can save the life of affected children. Our discovery can also help in the future, not only to identify additional patients, but also to understand the human immune system better," Prof. Banin of the research team said.

The study is highlighted in the May 30, 2016 issue of Journal of Experimental Medicine.

Ethiopian Immigrants Receive a Boost to Become Nurses in Israel

When asked what they'd like to do most career-wise, many young women and men whose families have moved to Israel from Ethiopia express a strong desire to become hospital nurses. Hadassah, with a bequest from a major donor, is helping to make this career choice a reality.

The challenge for Ethiopians is to meet the university entrance requirement of a high score on Israel's psychometric exams. Because of cultural factors, Ethiopian youngsters rarely score high enough.

This barrier is being removed, thanks to a joint effort by Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America (HWZOA) and an organization called Jobkatif. With a mission of helping disadvantaged people in Israel gain employment, the organization approached Hadassah and the Hadassah-Hebrew University Henrietta Szold School of Nursing with the idea of creating a program that would mentor these young men and women and shore up their academic skills with a college preparatory course.

Through the generosity of a bequest earmarked for nursing scholarships from Patricia Lapan, a nurse and businesswoman from Arizona and California, Hadassah is providing financial assistance for tuition, housing, and educational supplies, such as books and computers. Jobkatif professionals will mentor the students and help them with any obstacles they encounter.

The first cohort of 18 students, chosen from 60 applicants, has just begun the program, entitled Ahotenu (Hebrew for "our sister"). A mix of Ethiopian-born and Israeli-born students from Ethiopian families, all are the first in their families to go to college. (Many of their parents didn't go to school at all in Ethiopia.) The students will participate in an intensive summer course covering English, chemistry, and mathematics and receive help in adjusting to university life. Those who succeed in the summer course will proceed to the Hebrew University's pre-academic program, followed by entry into the School of Nursing, where they will earn a bachelor's degree in nursing.

"You have chosen well and you were well-chosen," said Dean of Nursing Dr. Miri Rom, to the students. "Nursing goes beyond professional concerns; it's a life-long commitment to patients where nothing less than 100 percent is needed every day."

Hadassah has long been a pioneer in nursing education. It was in 1918 that Hadassah established the

first post-high school educational institution for young women in pre-state Israel a nursing school. Four hundred women applied for the first 50 places. Founder of HWZOA Henrietta Szold moved there to help run it. Today it bears her name.

Membership Campaign

Hadassah – Lock in for Life

Hadassah members make a personal impact at home and on the local, national and global community— every day. As a member, you enrich the lives of American Jewish women by focusing on vital issues and making tangible connections to Israel and Zionism through education and supporting the Hadassah Medical Organization and Israel projects.

In honor of our Centennial Year, Hadassah continues to offer Life Membership and Associate enrollment for \$212. The strength and support of Hadassah's members and donors sustain the extraordinary work of Hadassah. As an incentive to enroll new Life Members, National will give internal Fundraising Goal Credit to the units for each new Life member and Associate enrolled.

Life Members and Associates can give an unlimited number of free annual memberships as long as they complete an enrollment form for each individual. The Gift Enrollment form is available in the Gifting Campaign folder on the Intranet.

A very special welcome to the more than 50,000 women, men and children who showed their support for the extraordinary work of Hadassah by becoming new Life members and Associates. Our collective strength will continue to make a difference in the United States, Israel and around the world for the next 100 years.

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Change of Address

Calling all members: if you have a change of address, please contact Shelli Plosscowe at 841-4311 or SPlosscowe@aol.com

Temple Shomer Emunim

August Worship Schedule

Friday, August 5th

Shabbat Service at 6:00PM
Rabbi Weinstein will speak

Friday, August 12th

Shabbat Service at 6:00PM
Rabbi Weinstein will speak

Friday, August 19th

Shabbat Service at 6:00PM
Cantor Finkel will speak

Friday, August 26th

Shabbat Service at 6:00PM
Rabbi Weinstein will speak

Saturday, August 27th

Bat Mitzvah of Ava Tuschman
at 10:30AM



Coffee with the Clergy

Wednesdays
August 3rd & 17th
At 11:00AM



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Sunday, August 28, 2016 5:00-7:00PM

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Sunday, September, 11, 2016:

Shabbat/Havdalah

Sunday, October 9, 2016: Fall Holidays

Sunday, November 13, 2016: Noah's Ark

Sunday, December 4, 2016: Hanukkah

Sunday, January 8, 2017: Symbols for
Celebrations

Sunday, February 5, 2017: Tu B'Shevat

Sunday, March 5, 2017: Purim

Sunday, April 2, 2017: Passover

Sunday, May 7, 2017: A Trip to Israel

Religious School Calendar

August

Wed. Aug. 31 Hebrew School 4:20PM

September

Wed, Sept. 7th Hebrew School 4:20PM
Sun. Sept. 11th Religious School 9:15AM;
Temple Tots 9:30AM

Wed. Sept. 14th Hebrew School 4:20PM

Sun. Sept. 18th Religious School 9:15AM

Wed. Sept. 21st Hebrew School 4:20PM

Sun. Sept. 25th Religious School 9:15AM

Wed. Sept. 28th Hebrew School 4:20PM

Bible & Bagels



will resume after the
High Holy Days

Congregation B'nai Israel

Tisha B'Av Schedule

Saturday, August 13, 2016

7:30 p.m. Mincha, followed by
Third Meal / Seudah Shlisheet
9:00 p.m. Maariv and Reading of Eichah /
Book of Lamentations

Sunday, August 14, 2016

9:00 a.m. Shachrit / Morning Service
12:30 p.m. Mincha / Afternoon Service

S.O.A.P. (Synagogue Organized Afternoon Program)

begins on Wednesday, August 31

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David S. Stone Religious School

First day, Sunday, August 28

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Welcome Back Breakfast

for students and parents

Sunday, August 28

10:00-10:30 a.m.

We look forward to another great
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Sisterhood Book Club

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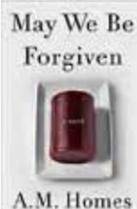
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Maj Night

Tuesday, August 9
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Book Club

Tuesday September 6
7:00 p.m.
At Panera on Central
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Congregation Etz Chayim

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Ohr Chadash Religious School is pleased to announce that the school will be joining forces with Congregation B'nai Israel's David S. Stone Religious School at the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year. Congregational and educational leaders from both synagogues have been working toward this new venture for months and both schools are excited to begin learning together. Etz Chayim students will receive registration forms and the school calendar in the mail.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Many thanks to Diane Treuhaft and Barb Rubin for chairing another successful Mahjong Tournament, which took place July 20.

The Etz Chayim/B'nai Israel Rummage Sale will be held on November 6th and 7th. Drop offs will be on October 30th and 31st. Volunteers, both men and women, will be needed before, during, and after these dates. Call Marcia Grossman (419) 536-0890 or Diane Treuhaft (419) 829-9986 to volunteer.

The next Sisterhood Board/Planning meeting is Tuesday, August 2, at 10:00 a.m. in the synagogue library. All Sisterhood members are invited to attend.

GIFT SHOP

Please remember to patronize our Sisterhood Gift Shop, as new merchandise is coming in all the time. Check out the O "chai" O caps, and kippahs! Etz Chayim members can now go to a new website davidaprons@aol.com and enter promo code ECS to order anything they have. Profits will go to the shul as if it was purchased in the gift shop!

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Please remember to patronize our Sisterhood Gift Shop. Call our gift shop chairman, Sandy Marcus at (419) 473-2401, if you have a particular gift item in mind. As always, we offer free gift wrapping.

BOOK CLUB

The next book club will be held Monday, August 15, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. at Congregation Etz Chayim. The book being discussed is A Remarkable Kindness by Diana Bletter. Margie Siegel will be the reviewer.

Dessert will be served prior to the review. Everyone is invited to attend.

ETZ CHAYIM ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC PLANNED

Congregation Etz Chayim is hosting its annual family picnic on Sunday, August 21, 2016. Beginning at 3:30 p.m. there will be a half hour interactive science program from the Imagination Station. The program will be repeated at 4:00 p.m. These workshops are for children and adults of all ages.

From 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. a delicious buffet of picnic delicacies will be served. Included on the menu is: BBQ Brisket, BBQ Chicken, Hotdogs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad/Coleslaw, Pickles/Chips, Soft Drinks Watermelon and Brownies.

The cost of the program and picnic is \$18.00 per person, \$ 8.00 children 5-10 years old and children under 5 are free.

Please call the synagogue office by August 15th for reservations.

TWO SPEAKERS PLANNED FOR AUGUST

On Sunday, August 7, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., **Aaron Leeper**, formerly of Toledo, now living in Be'er Sheva, Israel will skype with congregants and guests at Congregation Etz Chayim in the library. Aaron is a naturalist and has expertise in many fields, including biology and animal life. He holds a Master's degree in Biology from Ben-Gurion University and is studying to become a licensed Israeli tour guide. His topic for the morning will be Israel, Naturally: "Birds, Bees, Flowers and Trees". Everyone is invited to attend. There is no charge.

On Thursday, August 11, 2016, at 7:30 p.m., Congregation Etz Chayim welcomes back **Rabbi Rod Glogower**, Rabbi of Hillel in Ann Arbor, MI. He will be speaking prior to the observance of Tisha B'Av on the topic of "Infamous & Unfortunate Episodes in the Era of the Second Temple Destruction." Dessert will be served. Everyone is invited. There is no charge.

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Partnership2Gether: Western Galilee- Central Area Consortium Partnership Builds Capacity for nonprofits in the Region

The Partnership initiated and sponsored an accredited 50 hour course on the Art of Philanthropy for organizations in the Western Galilee which was given by the Western Galilee College. The course was the product of a grass roots initiative of local organizations to improve their fund raising skills and capacity. More than 40 people registered and attended the course. The Consortium communities were excited to be part of the upgrading of the non-profit capacity in the region as many of their donors and foundations support these organizations.

The class was a diverse group that included representatives from local municipalities and other Partnerships, business people, and staff of local NGO's. In addition, there was full attendance of the Partnership office staff and the Partnership Resource Development task force chair.

Liora Asa, lecturer from Haifa University, facilitated the course in which she enthusiastically taught

the how-tos of fund raising in Israel and abroad. In addition, guest speakers, friends of the Partnership, from the region's businesses and organizations gave their insights into the elements of successful fund raising. The most important things for the participants were the opportunities of these exposures, practical exercises and the connections among the participants. The practical exercises allowed the participants to try their newly acquired skills and receive peer review.

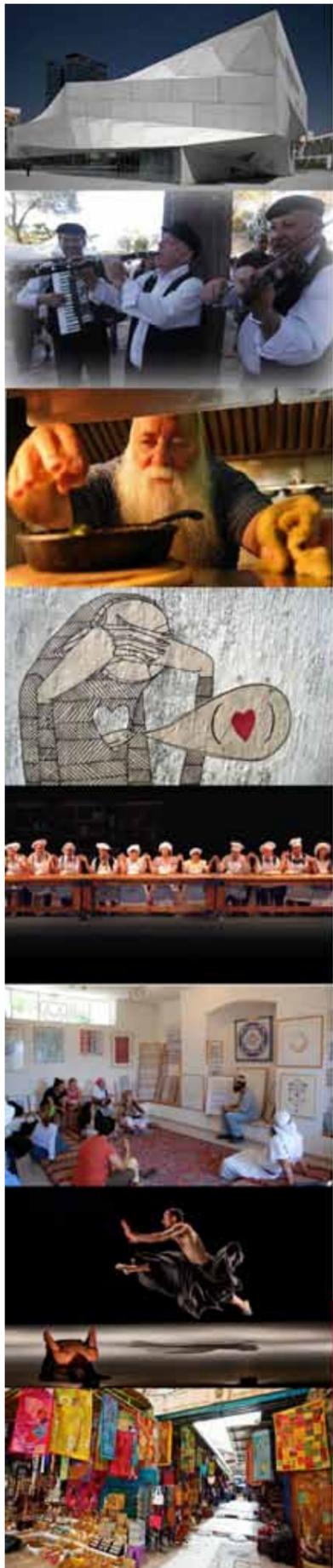
The connections that were immediately created were many: The House of Wheels and the Akko Social Services got together for a joint activity, the Pre IDF Mechinat Avner from Akko students are now volunteering twice a week in the House of Wheels, and Karen Donner Asher, a teacher from Meitar school in Bustan Hagalil created a twinning connection with a school in Fort Worth through the Partnership. She will be a part of an Educators' del-

egation to the communities in the near future. As Karen said: "The course opened a new world to me in a detailed way and on a high professional level."

Dorit Zini, a volunteer in the Hadera-Eiron Partnership, was offered a new position as a Fundraiser at the Technoda in Givat Olga because of this course.

"I came to the course without any prior experience. I learned that the fundraising world is all about networking. It has its own language and professional terms, and is filled with new and challenging content. A whole new world opened before me and gave me a new professional opportunity as well as I take my newly acquired knowledge to the real world."

Another win-win created by the Partnership: Added value to organizations in the region, to the Partnership staff, to the Communities' donors and to the Partnership itself in having created a larger network of non- profits from around the north.



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4th CBI Confirmation Israel Trip 'Dream Come True'

By Emily Gordon

Participants in this summer's 4th CBI Confirmation Israel Trip this past June said their memories will last forever.

The group of 19, made up of confirmation students and three adult chaperones, spent eight days exploring and two days traveling from June 6 -16, said Hazzan Ivor Lichterman, cantor at Congregation B'nai Israel, who led the trip.

The adventure was documented on his blog with entries from each participant including exciting stories and an abundance of "inside jokes."

"We bussed, hiked, crawled, dug, climbed, schlepped, waded, swam, and davened our way all over Israel, often filling our days with four or five different and contrasting activities and adventures," Hazzan Lichterman said.

Some of those adventures included participants muddying themselves in the Dead Sea; ascending Masada at dawn; praying at the Kotel; and visiting three different shuls in Jerusalem to experience different services and traditions to those the students are used to in Sylvania.

"One of the highlights may well have been the 400 year old Italian shul where Jeremy Davis belted out the Levi Aliyah during the Shabbat service in a manner that made us all proud, the echoes

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Toledo Area Jewish Historical Society

Jewish Historical Society launches collaboration with Toledo Library System

On June 16, 100 friends of Jewish Toledo crowded into the chapel of Congregation Shomer Emunim to welcome David Noel, former Toledoan and author of the recently published "A History of the Toledo Jewish Community."

Among the attendees were representatives of many Toledo Jewish groups as well as Clyde Scoles, executive director of the Toledo Lucas County Public Library, and several department heads.

The mission of the JHS is to facilitate the exciting new collaboration between the Toledo Jewish community and the TLCPL in preserving permanently tangible memorabilia of our organizations and institutions.

The physical, professional safekeeping in fire-proof archives at the main branch of the TLCPL is almost as important as the designated link to our Toledo Jewish history on the library's website. Our community's history will be globally accessible to the extent that we contribute to it.

The purpose of our initial meeting May 17 was to gauge community interest and support. We are now encouraging both those who attended and those who did not.

To this end, we encourage you to attend any of the following committee meetings in which immediate action is needed:

1. **Archives:** This committee collects materi-

als from synagogues and other Jewish communal groups.

2. **Oral History:** This committee has high priority because living history creates "history." Many seniors as well as younger Toledo Jews have important stories to tell.

Oral History meets on Thursday, August 18, at 5 p.m. at Lynn Jacobs' home, 3452 Chapel Court, Toledo, Ohio, 43615.

Archives meets on Thursday, August 25, at 5 p.m. at Lynn Jacobs' home.

Please RSVP for attendance and inquiries by emailing Lynn Jacobs at lbjacobs82@gmail.com or by calling (419) 351-5719.

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Toledo Jewish News is now accepting obituaries for the Toledo Jewish community, immediate family members of the Toledo Jewish community, and former residents of the Toledo Jewish community.

There is no charge to submit an obituary, but we encourage donations to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo (www.jewishtoledo.org).

Maximum obituary word length: 500 words (Toledo Jewish News reserves the right to edit obituaries as necessary)
Email **completed** obituaries to:

paul@JewishToledo.org
You may include a photo of the deceased if you wish (optional).

NOTE: Only obituaries submitted to paul@JewishToledo.org (at the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo offices) will be printed in Toledo Jewish News.

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Summer fun Camp Gan Israel style!

It's hard to believe another summer at Camp Gan Israel has passed. Once again we have seen the wonderful community that evolves between the campers, staff and families each summer. Throughout the four weeks of camp we have learned, played, created, sang, laughed and celebrated our Jewish heritage. With activities ranging from Art, Sports, Music, Drum Circle, Science and trips all over the city, we have seen the campers grow and connect, each one in their own special

way. Thank you to the Gary and Andrea Delman Family Foundation who have made it possible to expand our camp program to four weeks for the past few years. Although camp is over for the season, look out for information about our year-round "Gan Izzy Club" youth program, which meets monthly! Looking forward to seeing you there!



Camp Gan Israel 2016 - We will miss you!



Twin day at camp!



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One happy minion on PJ day at camp!

Dream come true continued from page 21 of which are still reverberating in our ears," he said.

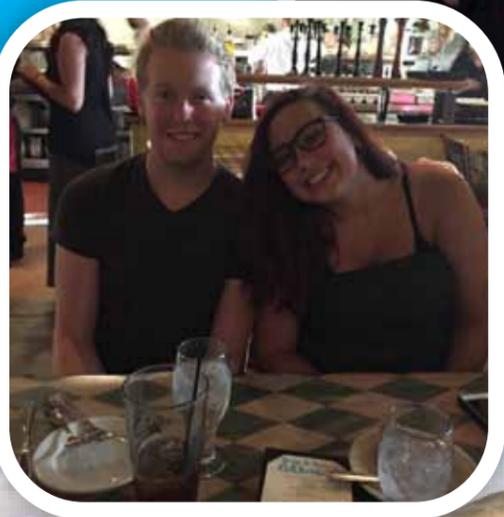
This is the 4th CBI Confirmation Israel trip to date, from which 54 students and several adults have benefitted, he said. The trip is generously supported by the Sherwin and Naomi Kripke Israel Fund and the Steinberg Send a Kid to Israel Fund (SKIP) within the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation.

"This dream come true trip has without doubt enhanced our students' positive view of Israel, and their understanding of Judaism, as well as their knowledge of the centrality of Israel and Jerusalem in our lives," Hazzan Lichterman said.



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