Join us for a Hanukkah lighting

Antisemitism is a darkness that threatens not only the Jewish people, but all of us, no matter identity or background. Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo is hosting a rally inspired by the powerful story of Hanukkah to shine a light on antisemitism.

3:30pm Sunday, Dec. 5
YMCA/JCC Sylvania, 6465 Sylvania Ave

Learn more at jewishtoledo.org #shinealightontoh

See page 2 for more information

Jewish Community Census 2021

Help us, help you! Please complete your Jewish Community Census today!

See page 2 to learn more.
Dear Jewish Federation family,

We need your help. By now you should have received your Jewish Community 2021 Census in the mail.

Your response to the Federation census helps us identify important trends in our community by supplying basic information about the demographics and geography of Jewish Toledo. With accurate and complete information we can better identify and plan relevant programming and useful services.

What will this information be used for?
We want to stay ahead of the community needs and interests.

• Help us bring you programs that are important to you and your family.
• Help us keep you in-the-know about fun, exciting, and meaningful community events and outreach opportunities.
• Help us keep you up-to-date on important issues facing our Jewish community including security issues.

The Federation is here for you, and we need the most accurate information possible to keep connected.

Help us, help you! Please return your completed form to Wendy Goldstein, Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo, 6465 Sylvania Ave, Sylvania, OH 43560 or go online to www.jewishtoledo.org/census.

For more information contact Wendy Goldstein at wendy@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0360.

Please be part of this project! Our success depends on YOU! Go to www.jewishtoledo.org and fill out your census form TODAY.

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo

The Jewish Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo is organizing a large rally, Shine a Light on Antisemitism, outside the Sylvania YMCA/JCC (6465 Sylvania Avenue) on Sunday, December 5 at 3:30 p.m. The rally will last 60-90 minutes. It will take place during the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah, often called the “Festival of Lights.”

Speakers will include Jewish community members and non-Jewish allies, and the public is encouraged to attend. Invitees and possible speakers include:
• Local, state, and federal elected officials from both political parties
• Various religious, ethnic, and minority groups
• K-12 and university educators
• Law enforcement

The rally will include a public Hanukkah menorah candle lighting, symbolizing the spread of light over darkness and good over evil. Complimentary and delicious Hanukkah foods will be offered. A tent will be erected in case of inclement weather, and heaters will be stationed throughout the area.

Speakers will introduce the topics of Judaism and Hanukkah and provide an overview of historical and contemporary manifestations of antisemitism (including recent events locally and nationally).

The rally is co-sponsored by Congregation B’nai Israel, Congregation Etz Chayim, Temple Shomer Emunim, and the YMCA of Greater Toledo. Please contact Daniel Pearlman, Director of Community Relations at the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo, with questions: daniel@jewishtoledo.org.

It is up to all of us to shine a light on antisemitism.

Join us for a Hanukkah lighting

Sunday, Dec. 5
3:30pm
YMCA/JCC Sylvania
6465 Sylvania Ave, Sylvania
learn more at jewishtoledo.org
#shinealighton
For more information contact daniel@jewishtoledo.org

This event is being organized in response to a significant increase in antisemitic violence, harassment, and intimidation, and a corresponding rise in other forms of bigotry, intolerance, and hate, across Greater Toledo and all of Ohio. A heated tent will be available in case of inclement weather. Traditional Hanukkah foods will be served.

The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) invites you to complete the inaugural Jewish Community Opinion & Policy Survey to help us better understand, advocate for, and plan programs for our community.

See page 13 to learn how you can make your voice heard!
How to contribute to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo/Toledo Jewish Community Foundation

- Donate online at www.jewishtoledo.org
- Text to Donate: Text 44321
- Donate on Venmo to Toledo–Federation
- Donate by check to: Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo, Attention: Tina Stieben 6465 Sylvania Avenue, Sylvania, Ohio 43560
- Call Tina Stieben at 419-724-0371 or email her at tina@JewishToledo.org for stock or IRA gifts

Please note that checks need to be post-marked by December 31, 2021 for a 2021 tax deduction.

Gift Policy Statement
Regarding Donations of Stock

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo is happy to accept donations of stock as payment for pledges made to the Annual Campaign. Stock gifts need to be received by 12 p.m. (noon) on December 30, 2021 in order to sell before the market closes. Please note the brokerage firm may charge a transaction fee up to an amount of $100.00.

It should be noted that our procedure is as follows for accepting stock:

Whenever a gift of stock is made, the donor receives a confirmation in writing that the gift was made on that date. Normally upon consultation with financial professionals, this is the date used when valuing the gift for IRS tax purposes.

After being notified that a gift of stock has been made, either from the donor or a stockbroker, the stock will then transfer into the Federation’s account and Federation will sell the stock. The net proceeds of the sale of stock will be applied against any outstanding pledges for the individual. The donor will be notified, in writing, what the net proceeds were.

To expedite this process, it is extremely helpful if the donor, his/her stockbroker or financial advisor notifies Federation’s Department of Finance verbally or through email when a gift of stock is made. By following this procedure, the timing between the gift being made and the sale of the stock is greatly reduced.

Please contact Tina Stieben, CFO, at tina@JewishToledo.org or 419-724-0371, or 419-346-5397 (cell) for further assistance.

IRA Charitable Rollover Checks

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo is also happy to accept IRA Charitable Rollover contributions to the Annual Campaign. Please contact Tina Stieben at 419-724-0371 or Arleen Levine 419-724-0355 if you are making provisions with your financial advisor to donate with an IRA Charitable Rollover; this way we can ensure that the check is processed timely and that you receive the appropriate tax letter. For further information on the eligibility to contribute using your IRA Charitable Rollover, please consult your financial advisor.

Personal Credit Card & Check Payment Deadlines

Credit card payment information must be received at Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo by 12 Noon Friday, December 31, 2021 for 2021 tax purposes. As stated above, payments by check need only be postmarked December 31, 2021 for 2021 tax purposes, or you can make payments online at www.JewishToledo.org by midnight on December 31, 2021. Please call the accounting department before 2:00 pm at 419-724-0366 to process a credit card payment over the phone.

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Text CAMPAIGN to 44321

Text CAMPAIGN to 44321 to make a donation to the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo Annual Campaign

www.jewishtoledo.org

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Thank you for powering so many Jewish moments.

Over the past year, we experienced many changes, terrible loss, and hardship, but we also experienced our Jewish community come together in ways we never have before — to talk, console, share resources, experiences, and knowledge, and to find new ways to help the most vulnerable among us.

There’s no limit to the hope, compassion and relief you’re powering by giving to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo. Through the power of your support, you helped revive communities, save lives and inspire generations. And, at a time when we need it most, you have been powering programs and services throughout Jewish Toledo that benefit so many people.

When your pledge card arrives in the mail, please consider your gift. We ask for your support so that we may continue our present programs while we prepare to meet the future changing needs of our community.

Now you can use Venmo to make a donation to Federation and pay for programs, classes, and events! Just send to @Toledo-Federation in your app or on the Venmo website at venmo.com and please make sure to state the purpose of the payment before submitting.

Text CAMPAIGN to 44321 to make a donation to the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo Annual Campaign.
Ahava is a program of the Jewish Federation and Foundation of Greater Toledo that is managed by Jewish Family and Social Services and has provided a lifeline since 2016 to Jewish families in Greater Toledo who are raising children with special needs and simply want to be able to access the best care possible for their children.

Through Ahava, Federation awards families an annual scholarship of up to $1,500 for each child, no matter their age, to put toward the cost of therapies such as speech therapy and music therapy, equipment, medical supplies, continuing education for parents on raising children with special needs, and other resources that help positively impact individuals and their families.

For more information about Ahava, please contact Shari Bernstein at sharib@jewishtoledo.org or 419-885-2561.
Dear Community Friends,

The Toledo Jewish Community Foundation has played a critical role in meeting the needs of our Jewish community through your support. Imagine, you could provide a gift, regardless of age, wealth, or affiliation that will help sustain a vibrant Toledo Jewish community now and forever through a wide array of planned giving vehicles offered through the Foundation that enables you to create a legacy to meet your personal needs. The following are possibilities to consider as you develop plans to perpetuate your commitment to our community.

- Named Endowment Funds - Designated Funds or Field of Interest
- Supporting Organizations
- Donor Advised Funds (DAF) also known as Philanthropic Funds
- Perpetual Annual Campaign Endowment (PACE)
- Lion of Judah Endowment (LOJE)
- Charitable Bequests
- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Charitable Remainder Trusts
- Charitable Lead Trusts
- Life Insurance
- Scholarship Funds

If you would like to learn more about how you can create a legacy gift, please contact Arleen R. Levine, Director, at Arleen@jewishtoledo.org, call 419-724-0355 or return the bottom of this page to,
Toledo Jewish Community Foundation, 6465 Sylvania Avenue, Sylvania, Ohio 43560.
Take the first steps to create your Jewish Legacy and inscribe your letter of intent today!

Dear Toledo Jewish Community Foundation,

As an expression of my deep intent in the future strength and security of the Toledo Jewish Community, I wish to share my blessings with others and make this Declaration of Commitment to provide for future generations and I plan to participate in this program. I want to help assure the continued support of our Jewish Federation, congregations and community programs by the following:

- [ ] I have made provisions
- [ ] I will make provisions

To include the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation through:
- [ ] A Bequest in my Will
- [ ] A Life Insurance Policy
- [ ] A Trust
- [ ] A gift of Real Estate, Securities or other items of value
- [ ] A Retirement Plan
- [ ] A Donor Advised Fund (Philanthropic Fund) within the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation

This Letter of Intent is not a legal obligation and may be changed at my discretion. It is supplemental to annual gifts, special gifts and pledges already made or yet to be made.

Name: __________________________________________________   Date: ________________________________________________________
Address: ______________________________________________________________________________________________________________
City:__________________________________________________________________   State: _________________   Zip:___________________
Phone: __________________________________________________   E-mail: ______________________________________________________

My Wishes: To encourage others to make commitments to the future, I permit my name to be listed as follows:
Donor Name: __________________________________________   Donor Name: _________________________________________________
- [ ] I wish to remain anonymous at this time.

Think about the future. An endowment is forever.
Dear Toledo Jewish Community Members,

Almost 30 years ago, Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo leadership approached me about the opportunity to serve as the first fulltime Director of the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation. My professional experience at that time had been in a very different arena; I had served as an assistant prosecuting attorney, magistrate in the Wood County and Toledo Municipal Court and staff attorney with the University of Toledo College of Law. I deliberated at length about this possible new career trajectory. Ultimately, the thought of having the opportunity to use my professional background to play a critical role in securing the future of our Toledo Jewish community aligned with my values and commitment to Jewish life. I have led the Foundation for almost 29 years, a path that seemingly, and thankfully, chose me.

There have been so many wonderful accomplishments during my tenure as Director. I am extremely proud of the growth of the Foundation’s assets from $5.8 million to $60 million, which enables us to distribute vital grants that significantly enhance the fabric of our Toledo Jewish community. Additionally, we have developed meaningful policies, guidelines and procedures to support the legal and regulatory requirements of a sophisticated and complex endowment program.

By far, my greatest joy over these nearly three decades has been assisting community members in creating a permanent legacy that speaks to their hearts. Our donors’ generosity has created sacred gifts to provide for those in need and support vital social justice, cultural, educational and advocacy programs. Thanks to the vision of those who came before us, coupled with the commitment of current donors, our Foundation serves as a safety net for community members of all ages.

Now, it is time for me to begin a new path with the Foundation. I am honored to have been given the title of Director Emeritus beginning January 2022. This newly created part-time role will enable me to focus exclusively on donor development, stewardship and advisor outreach. As the Foundation has grown in asset size and complexity, the need for additional operational support has become evident to bring our Foundation’s staffing model more in line with other endowment programs of our size.

I am grateful for community members’ past support, and I look forward to partnering together in meaningful ways as I transition to my new role. I am confident that, together, we will continue to build a vibrant future for our Toledo Jewish community.

Warmly,

Arleen R. Levine, J. D.
Still Traveling: Fabulous Finland

Mondays, December 6, 13, 20, & January 3
2-3:15 p.m. (Zoom)

Though one of the world’s most northern and geographically remote countries and with a rather severe climate, Finland ranked #1 of 156 countries on the World Happiness Report. Come find out why! Zoom off to this overlooked, Scandinavian treasure with trip leader James Sokol for five guided, virtual “trips” with our interesting, professional, local guide Tuula, who will share her passion for and insights about her homeland. Our visits include:

- Welcome to Finland (Dec 6)
- Helsinki: Maritime Capital (Dec 13)
- Daytrip from Helsinki (Dec 20)
- Eastern Highlights (Dec 27)
- Jewish Finland (Jan 3)

For details and tickets, visit www.jewishtoledo.org/jlc.

Exploring Opera: Nordic Singers

Three Wednesdays, December 8, 15 & 22
2-3:30 p.m. (Zoom)

From Sweden’s Birgit Nilsson, Norway’s Kirsten Flagstad, and Denmark’s Lauritz Melchior to Finland’s Kariita Mattila and Iceland’s Kristinn Sigmundson and many, many others, the Nordic countries have produced some of the world’s greatest opera singers. Join James Sokol to learn about some of these international stars and experience their artistry in video performance clips. Come for the music; stay for the fun!

For details and tickets, visit www.jewishtoledo.org/jlc.

Songs & Stories: A Tribute to George Gershwin

Wednesday, December 15
4-5 p.m. (Zoom)

Save! Order before 12/13 for “Early Bird” pricing!

Known as one of the most sought-after musicians in the United States, George Gershwin was a composer of jazz, opera, and popular songs for stage and screen. Many of his works are now standards! Join songstress and storyteller Gilda Solve to re-discover some of the hits from his shows such as, “An American in Paris,” “Lady Be Good,” or “Shall we Dance?” Sing along (but stay on “mute,” please) to the beat of “Fascinating Rhythm” or “Embraceable You” and many, many others. The Songs & Stories will include many, many others, the Nordic countries have produced some of the world's greatest opera singers. Join James Sokol to learn about some of these international stars and experience their artistry in video performance clips. Come for the music; stay for the fun!

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Repeated by Popular Demand!
Exploring Broadway: Fabulous “Fiddler”

Thursday, December 23
4-6 p.m. (Zoom)

Save! Order before 12/21 for “Early Bird” pricing!

Sheldon Harnick and Jerry Bock's beloved Fiddler on the Roof is widely considered the last of Broadway’s “Golden Age” musicals. Before its premiere, some producers were concerned that it was “too Jewish” to attract mainstream audiences. However, the touching story and beautiful score proved to capture “the essential human longings for love, community, success, freedom, and family.” Join instructor James Sokol for a one-time exploration – filled with interesting facts, delightful tidbits and nostalgic video clips – of this perennial favorite! Come for the songs; stay for the fun!

For details and tickets, visit www.jewishtoledo.org/jlc.

Senior Alliance Programs for January 2022

Still Traveling: Italy’s Campania Coasts
Captivating Capri – Monday, January 10
Enchanting Ischia & Picturesque Procida – Monday, January 17
Along the Sorrento Coast – Monday, January 24
Along the Amalfi Coast – Monday, January 31
2 - 3:15 p.m. (Zoom)


Full Series Ticket – $50 for all 4 dates
Give-Us-A-Try Ticket ($12.50): Check us out by giving our first “trip” (January 10) a try. Single tickets are not available to subsequent trips and cannot be credited toward series purchase.

All Tickets: 1) are per device, not per person on Zoom, and 2) are non-refundable and non-exchangeable.

Back by popular demand with an all-new series, our delightful, professional, local guide - Antonella - offers four new virtual “trips” to discover favorite areas beyond her hometown of Napoli (Naples), which is the gateway to fabulous, southern Italian treasures for those who venture beyond it. Trip leader James Sokol hosts these four interesting and beautiful journeys through Italy’s Campania Coasts.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Challah at Home… Again!
Sunday, January 30
Kit pickup: 11:30 – 12:30 p.m.

Federation Campus - Gan Yeladim Preschool parking lot (please stay in your car and wait to be assisted)
Register at: form.jotform.com/jeishtoledo/challah2022

Make your own fluffy, warm, and golden delicious challah at home. Sign up at the jotform link above for a kit with all the dry ingredients needed (you will need to add in eggs, water, and oil). Included will be recipes and links to videos of different braiding techniques.

There’s more! We are holding a “Most Creative Challah” competition. After braiding and baking, take pictures and send them to hallie@jewishtoledo.org. We are going to post the pictures on our Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo Facebook page for voting. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for most likes.

Any questions? Contact 419-724-0351 or registration@jewishtoledo.org.
JLC is pleased to announce the virtual return of our popular exercise classes

Healthy Living

JLC Exercise Now on Jewish Toledo YouTube Channel!

Missing all your favorite exercise classes because you don’t have Facebook? Now you can simply go to YouTube anytime you want and not have to deal with Facebook at all. Love Facebook, all your classes will still be on Facebook! We are now offering two platforms where you can get your exercise classes from, YouTube and Facebook!

You can exercise when you want, YouTube is open to everyone who wants to keep moving and stay healthy!

Here is how you can find the Jewish Toledo YouTube Channel: Just go to the www.jewishtoledo.org website, then click on Get Involved at the top of the page, click on 60 and Better and then look for the button that says Exercise Videos – it will take you directly to YouTube. Once on the page you can bookmark it.

What classes can you expect to find on our Jewish Toledo JLC YouTube Channel:

Ballet Fusion
This combination class brings together basic ballet and Tai Chi to give you a complete workout. Focusing on your core for balance and strength and full range of motion to increase flexibility and breathing.

Foundation Fitness
This challenging, calisthenic-style workout is designed to develop your muscular strength and endurance from the ground up. Focus will be on foot and ankle strength and mobility, healthy posture and pelvic floor tone, and core strength and breathing.

Get Fit
This exercise class offers you great music and great moves that will give you a comprehensive workout that includes cardio, strength, and flexibility. Balls, bands, chairs, and light weights are used in the class.

Zumba
Featuring various dances from flamenco to samba, Eileen will get those hips shaking and feet moving. Dance routines are customized for our 60 & Better participants by our very own licensed Zumba instructor.

Drumming
A full body workout for any fitness level. You will need: drumsticks or wooden spoons and an exercise ball. The upbeat music keeps you moving and gives your core a great workout!

All our exercise classes are taught by Eileen Seegert. Eileen has been an integral part of the health & wellness program at Jewish Living Center for 28 years. Eileen has degrees in Dance Therapy and Kinesiotherapy. She also has a certification in Corrective Exercise and is licensed to teach Zumba. Eileen stays active by participating in local runs and spending time with her grandchildren.

If you have any questions about our classes, please feel free to call us at 419-724-0362 or email hallie@jewishtoledo.org.

Pacesetter Park Walking Group

Tuesdays & Thursdays
10 – 11 a.m.
Walk socially distanced for 30-40 minutes. Remainder of time spent using your own weights/band to exercise with Eileen. Bring your own water.

Space is Limited. Weather dependent.

Need current emergency form on file.

To learn more about this or to register, please contact Hallie at 419-724-0362 or registration@jewishtoledo.org

Latke Lunch
**LIMITED SEATING**
Thursday, December 2
12 p.m.
Congregation Etz Chayim – 3853 Woodley
$5 per person – Includes Kosher lunch by Chef Cari and a Magic Show!
***Proof of Vaccination required to attend***

“Virtual zoom option available with meal pickup or delivery”

Let’s celebrate Hanukkah together! Join us for a delicious kosher lunch and magical entertainment by Eli.

Cheeky, charming, charismatic, and with wicked skills that belie his age are just a few of the ways Eli has been described over the years. A young man who’s an old hand with a deck of cards is another. Anyway you cut it, it’s a thrill to watch Eli wow a modern audience with his incredible classic magic manipulation. Eli is one of magic’s hottest rising stars and the most decorated young magician working in the US today. He is a two-time winner and the current reigning junior champion of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

Register by Friday, November 29 to:
form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/latkelunch21
registration@jewishtoledo.org or Sherry Majewski at 419-724-0351
RSVP to any or all events to Hallie@Jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0362. Please notify us of any dietary issues at least one week prior to the event.

Mitzvah Pizza
by Sarah Lynn Scheerger
Open to all families with kids in PJ Library
Friday, January 7
At-home event - Front porch delivery

$5 per kit – Feeds a family of 4
RSVP due by Monday, January 3 to:
form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/mitzvah-pizza

Mitzvah Pizza by Sarah Lynn Scheerger is about Missy's experiences at a unique pizza place. Most Saturdays, Daddy brings the money and Missy brings the fun. But this time Missy is bringing the money, too – and she's trying to decide what to do with it! When they go to a pizzeria that helps feed everyone, including people who can't pay, Missy makes a new friend – and has an idea.

Any questions? Contact 419-724-0351 or registration@jewishtoledo.org

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

PJ Library® is completely FREE for participating families in the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo region.

PJ Library® seeks to engage Jewish families with young children. Each participating child in our community from age six months through eight will receive a high-quality Jewish children's book or CD every month.

Each book and CD comes with resources to help families use the selection in their home. The book and music list has been selected by the foremost children's book experts and includes a wide array of themes related to Jewish holidays, folktales and Jewish family life.

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PJ Library® is supported in part by The Inspiration Fund and Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo.

PJ Library book bags available!
Sign up for an age appropriate bag filled with PJ library books for little ones. Feel free to keep the books, return them to us or pass them on to another friend. https://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/bookbags
Any questions? Contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org

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Next Jewish Generation

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Register for all upcoming NJG events at: form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/njgwinter2022
Any questions? Contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org

NJG Gives Back
Sunday, December 12
4 - 6 p.m.
Ronald McDonald House
3883 Monroe St (press “call” button at gate upon arrival to be let in)

Free to attend (please bring a beverage to donate e.g. soda, water, juice, etc.)
Space is limited; advance registration required.

Grab your apron and join us for a day of service. We will be making dinner for families who stay at the Ronald McDonald House.

The Ronald McDonald House, Toledo’s home-away-from-home, offers families who travel to Toledo for their children’s specialized medical care a warm, safe, clean, and friendly environment.

RSVP by Friday, December 10 to registration@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0351.

NJG Axe Throwing
Saturday, January 8
8 p.m.
$20 per person – Includes axe throwing, nibbles, and noshes
Axe 419 - 9851 Meridian Ct., Rossford, OH

Got an axe to grind? Come and join us for “axelimum” fun at Axe 419!
Closed toe shoes required.

RSVP required by Thursday, January 6 at the jotform link above.

NJG Sips & Suds
Saturday, February 5
6 - 8 p.m.
Buff City Soap
7103 Orchard Centre Dr., Holland, OH
$25 per person – Includes Soap or Bath Bomb making supplies, sips, and snacks

Spend the night with us and create your own soap or bath bombs! Choose your own scents and colors. All products are free of harsh ingredients, cruelty free, and full of plant-based goodness.

RSVP required by Friday, January 28 at the jotform link above. **LIMITED SPACE**

NJG Trivia Nights
Monday, December 20
6:30 p.m.
V.I. Pizzeria & Sports Bar
4984 N Holland Sylvania Rd.

It’s your favorite night out, and you know the drill - free trivia, appetizers on us, and drinks on you! Trivia starts at 6:30 p.m., please be sure to arrive by 6:15 p.m. (reservation will be under Hallie).

RSVP by the day prior at the jotform link above.

Applications now open for summer 2022!
The EMOJI (“Experience a Memorable Overnight Jewish Initiative”) program was developed summer 2017 to help develop Jewish identity for our children, one camper at a time. EMOJI is designed to make camp affordable, accessible, and meaningful to families in our community through scholarships.

This past summer, 34 campers attended Jewish summer overnight because of the EMOJI program. The Toledo Jewish Community Foundation invested over $64,000 in ensuring future generations’ connections to their Judaism, our Toledo Jewish community, Israel, and beyond.

To find out more or to apply, visit jewishtoledo.org/emoji.

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The TOP 10 Phone Scams & How to Avoid Them

1. Pay or be arrested
   Scammers call a victim and claim to be affiliated with law enforcement and tell the person they have an active warrant. The scammer then instructs the victim to pay money using a credit card, gift card or prepaid debit card to clear up the matter. The reality is that the police will never call you on the phone and demand money to clear up active warrants. If you must clear up a warrant, call the appropriate court and inquire about the matter.

   Also, be wary of those from “police-related” charities unless you have researched or called the actual agency prior to donating money.

2. The Grandparent Scam
   Scammers will call the victim pretending to be a grandchild (or other relative) and claim they are in jail & desperately need to be bailed out. An easy way to defeat the scam is to ask specific questions only that relative would know the answer to or call back the relative (using a known phone number) to find out if the information is accurate. A call to law enforcement where the relative “got arrested” may also help to clear up the matter.

3. The Computer Fix-It Scam
   A scammer pretending to be a computer/software expert will tell the victim that their computer has a “virus” and they must reveal password or other personal information so that the expert (scammer) can fix the problem remotely from another location. This scam can result in your computer being hacked and personal information stolen. Never give out personal information over the phone unless you are 100% sure of the caller’s identity. It is important to double-check the caller’s telephone or via text/email. Be smart and protect your hard-earned money from these deceitful & disgraceful individuals!

4. The Lottery Scam
   Scammers call a victim and claim to have “won” money in a contest or lottery. In order to get their winnings, they must first send money via debit card, credit card or gift card to complete the process. The victim will never see the “winnings” & lose whatever money they sent to the caller.

5. The Utility Scam
   The caller claims to be from one of your local utility companies and that you are behind on payments. They threaten to shut off your utilities unless you make a payment over the phone with a credit card, gift card or prepaid debit card. Utility companies DO NOT operate in the manner; instead they send a written notice through the mail. Call them directly or use their website to that if you believe there is an outstanding balance on your account. Be aware that scammers can “spoof” the phone number of a legitimate company to make it appear that the call is actually coming from THAT company when in fact, it is NOT.

6. The IRS Scam
   A person (scammer) claiming to be an IRS agent or rep will call & demand payment of back taxes, threatening arrest over nonpayment. Or the caller will say the victim is OWED a refund but needs bank account information for a direct deposit. The real IRS uses written communication when money is owed or a refund due (on official letterhead/ envelope). Scammers call a victim and claim to have “won” money in a contest or lottery. In order to get their winnings, they must first send money via debit card, credit card or gift card to complete the process. The victim will never see the “winnings” & lose whatever money they sent to the caller.

7. The Work from Home Scam
   Another popular scam is contacting people with offers to work from home as an online or “secret” shopper. They will contact you for work and then send you a check for your wages (to deposit) but instruct you to send some money back for fees. In the end, the check that you received/deposited is found to be fraudulent. The fees that were sent become a financial loss (theft).

8. The Storm Chaser Scam
   Following severe weather, a so-called “home repair” firm will contact homeowners about fixing storm damage IF the resident turns over their insurance check that was paid to them. In most cases, the work is never done & the money lost. Residents should get multiple estimates from legitimate BBB-rated repair firms and make the contact phone call TO them, never make large payments in advance & get a detailed, written contract with the company.

9. Student Scam
   College students are vulnerable to scams that may offer them student loan relief, debt consolidation, part-time jobs, apartment rentals, etc.

10. Online Shopping Scam
   Never pay anyone money up front for a job offer or “money for nothing” offer that seems too good to be true.

The FTC (Federal Trade Commission) reports to consumers that GIFT CARDS & RELOADABLE CARDS are the #1 payment method for imposter scams. Scammers often send their victims to stores like Walmart, RiteAid, Target, Walgreens, Meijer, etc. to purchase iTunes or Google Play gift cards (42% of consumers).

Finally, scammers often make their need sound “urgent” & encourage the victim to act “immediately” in order to not allow them to think their decision through or contact anyone else for help.

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MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD.
All submissions due by December 18, 2021.

Kripke named ‘Difference Maker’ by Columbus Jewish News

Dr. Brad Kripke was recently honored by the Columbus Jewish News as one of 18 Difference Makers in 2021. A Toledo native, Kripke attended Congregation B’Nai Israel, JCC camp, and the Hebrew Academy. He graduated from the Ohio State University College of Dentistry, where he was a member of the Alpha Omega fraternity, which offers free dental care to Holocaust survivors in partnership with Jewish Family Services. Through Alpha Omega he has also helped connect dental students to alumni and help oversee the Ralph A. and Beatrice W. Jaffee Dental Scholarship Fund of the Columbus Jewish Foundation, an award given to Jewish dental students at OSU. He is also past social events chair of Young Jewish Columbus. Kripke and his wife, Abby, recently welcomed their first child, daughter Madison.

A Warm Welcome

To welcome the new Rabbi to Temple Shomer Emunim, congregants were encouraged to hold informal gatherings for Rabbi David Kaufman at their homes. Sheila Painter was one who hosted, and she planned a little quilting party. She gave tours of her quilt displays, served quilt block cookies and a fruit tray to look like a quilt. Attendees signed their names and good wishes with special permanent markers for Rabbi Kaufman. The Temple bulletin then welcomed the rest of the congregants to sign a square of fabric at Temple while there for services, and they were collected in a wicker basket.

Meanwhile, Sheila began sewing the throw-sized quilt with Rabbi's favorite color (blue). When the signing deadline arrived, she picked up all the squares and began inserting the special messages and signatures into the quilt. She also added Judaica-themed fabric she had collected. Hoping to finish the quilt before the snow arrived, Sheila delivered the 60" by 73" quilt to Rabbi Kaufman in mid-November.

Rabbi Kaufman was thrilled with the quilt, and said, "This is really cool. I love the Judaism and the messages from and names of congregants." Sheila admits she loves cutting up fabric and sewing it back together into something beautiful and cozy. During pandemic quarantine, she made even more quilts than she normally does, and they are accumulating in her home. If you are holding a fundraiser for a worthy organization, Sheila says she will donate a quilt to be auctioned or raffled off. Simply contact her...she'll be very happy for one of her lovely quilts to find a good home and also do good for a worthwhile charity.

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Temple Shomer Emunim

Masks Are Mandatory in the Temple, unless you are actively eating. We appreciate your cooperation!

December Worship Schedule

Friday, December 3
Shabbat Service & Menorah lighting at 6PM, with a special Musical program

Saturday, December 4
Shabbat Morning Yoga at 10:30AM

Friday, December 10
Shabbat Service at 6PM
Kol Zimrah will participate

Saturday, December 11
Torah Study & Shabbat Service at 10:30AM

Friday, December 17
Shabbat Service at 6PM

Friday, December 24
Shabbat Service at 6:00PM via zoom

Friday, December 31
Shabbat Service at 6:00PM via zoom

Shabbat Morning Study & Morning Service

Saturday, December 11 @ 10:30AM
Parshah of the week: Vayigash
followed by a brief Shabbat Morning Service.

It’s time for Chanukah!!!

Nightly Candle Lighting via Zoom 5:30PM

Wednesday Dec. 1 – Thursday Dec. 2 & Saturday Dec. 4 – Sunday Dec. 5 via Zoom
Friday, Dec. 3 via Livestream & in-person

Friday, December 3 @ 6PM
Shabbat Services, Special Chanukah Musical Program & Take-Home Chanukah Goodie Bags.
Bags must be reserved by November 30!

Sunday, December 5 @ 5-7PM
Family Chanukah Celebration & Dinner
Dinner & Dessert, Songs & Chanukah Carnival for kids, including Bingo, Arts & Crafts & more!
Single & Family S’lave
Minimum of 60 reservations by November 30

Men’s Chavurah
Men’s Chavurah will meet this month on Wednesday, December 15 at 7PM

Gift Of Mindfulness w/ Cantor Roher

Wednesday, December 15 @ 7PM

Shabbat Morning Yoga

Saturday, December 4 @ 10:30AM
“The Light Within – Yoga for Chanukah”
With Cantor Roher & Amy Nistel

Kol Zimrah Rehearsals

Tuesdays, December 7, 14 & 21 at 7PM

Basics of Judaism with Rabbi Kaufman

Thursdays, December 2 & 9 @ 7PM

Torah Time with Rabbi Kaufman

Fridays, December 3, 10, 17 & 31 at 11:00AM at Temple or via Zoom

December Religious School Calendar

Wed. Dec. 1 4:30PM Hebrew School
Sun. Dec. 5 5-7PM Chanukah Party
Wed. Dec. 8 4:30PM Hebrew School
Wed. Dec. 15 4:30PM Hebrew School
Sun. Dec. 19- No Religious School
Sun. Jan. 2 Hebrew School

Temple Book Club

Thursday, December 9 at 11AM
(please note time change)

Congregation B’nai Israel

CBI In-person services are open to the members of all local congregations if you are fully vaccinated. If you are not a CBI member and would like to attend, please contact the office at 419.517.8400.

WOMEN OF CBI CELEBRATE
Rosh Chodesh Tevet & Hanukkah

Wednesday, December 1, 2021
11:00 AM In-Person at CBI & on Zoom
Join us for an exciting program as we taste olive oil, learn about miracles and decorate Hanukkah cookies. All participants will receive a goodie bag of tasty homemade Hanukkah treats.

IN-PERSON ATTENDEES MUST BE FULLY VACCINATED AND WEAR MASKS. PLEASE BRING PROOF OF YOUR VACCINATION STATUS.

Please RSVP to Judy Weinger at judyweinger@jub.xnet by Tuesday, November 23, 2021. The cost for this program is $5.00. Please make your check out to “Women of CBI” and mail to Nancy Goldberg, 4236 Appomatix Drive, Sylvania, OH 43560.
The Tikun Olam project for this program will benefit the Jewish Family Service Pantry. Please bring individually wrapped paper towels, facial tissues, or sanitizing wipes.

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Women’s Tu B’Shevat Seder
Wednesday, January 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM
In-Person at CBI & on Zoom
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CBI MEMBERS JOIN US FOR A FESTIVE Hanukkah Dinner Celebration

Sunday, December 5, 2021
5:00 PM in the CBI Social Hall
There is no cost for this program. Members MUST RSVP by Monday, Nov. 29th to attend.

ATTENDEES MUST BE FULLY VACCINATED & WEAR MASKS
Additional details will be included in CBI weekly updates emails

WOMEN OF CBI BOOK CLUB

"The 100 Most Jewish Foods: A Highly Debatable List" Edited by Alana Newhouse

Tuesday, December 28, 2021
10:30 AM on Zoom

Sue Richards will lead the discussion. It is not necessary to have read the book to join the discussion.

THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO THE WOMEN OF ALL LOCAL CONGREGATIONS.
Please RSVP to Ellen Feldman at efeldman@sbiglobal.net by Sunday, December 26, 2021. An email link will be sent before the scheduled meeting time.

There are 2 print copies in the Toledo Lucas County Public Library, 23 print copies in SearchOhio, and 1 e-copy.

Jewish Lives, Jewish Learning: CBI Adult Education Series

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE WELCOME
Rabbi Robert Dobrusin
Sunday, December 12, 2021
10:30 AM In-Person at CBI

"Family Joys and Family Struggles: Joseph and His Brothers"

David S. Stone Religious School Calendar: December 2021

Wednesday 12/1 Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sunday 12/5 Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM
- 3rd-5th Grade Class 12:00 PM
- CBI Hanukkah Dinner 5:00 PM

Wednesday 12/8 Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sunday 12/12 Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM
- 3rd-5th Grade Class 12:00 PM
- 7th-8th Grade Class 12:00 PM

Wednesday 12/15 Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sunday 12/19 NO RS – WINTER BREAK
Wednesday 12/23 NO RS – WINTER BREAK
Sunday 12/26 NO RS – WINTER BREAK

The CBI office will be CLOSED

Friday December 24, 2021
Friday December 31, 2021
SISTERHOOD CHANUKAH LUNCHEON
A delicious Chanukah luncheon with all the traditional holiday foods is planned for Sunday, December 5th at noon in the synagogue social hall. Following lunch everyone will be playing a variety of games including poker, mahj, bingo and others. The cost for the luncheon is $10.00 per person and reservations must be in by Monday, November 29th. Call or email the synagogue to R.S.V.P.

MAHJ JONG & POKER
The next in-person maj jong game and Poker will take place at the synagogue on Sunday, December 12th from 10:00 a.m. to noon. The game on December 19th will be online from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

SHABBAT SERVICES WITH JASON MARK
Rabbinic intern Jason Mark will lead in person services on Saturday, December 18th. A special kiddush will be held following services.

ANU MUSEUM (IN TEL AVIV, ISRAEL) TOUR OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE
The live Zoom Anu Museum tour has been rescheduled to Saturday, December 18th at 10:00 a.m. Explore highlights of the spectacular new museum to learn about the unique and ongoing story of the Jewish People. We will make stops on each of 3 expansive floors of the new building, where the diversity of the Jewish world is revealed through extraordinary artifacts, state-of-the-art displays, immersive video and world-class art. Topics include: modern Jewish identity and culture, the historical journey of the Jewish people from Biblical times to the present, and the foundations of Jewish life.

This will be an innovative online live session tour. A museum educator will be with our group from the comfort of our computer(s). The tour will be interactive and will allow the participants to ask questions and share ideas with the group throughout the session.

Please register with Nancy Jacobson at Jaco824@bex.net or elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org. The fee is $5.00 per person.

ADULT ZOOM CLASS WITH RABBI JASON GOLDSSTEIN
Rabbi Jason Goldstein, of Washington, DC will be a guest speaker on zoom on Thursday evening, December 23rd at 7:00 p.m. His topic will be “Moshe & the Development of Moral Responsibility”. To receive the zoom link, please register with Nancy Jacobson at Jaco824@bex.net or elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org.

PIZZA PARTY & GAME DAY AFTERNOON
Everyone is invited to a pizza party on Sunday, December 26th at 12:30 p.m. in the synagogue’s social hall. Following a delicious lunch, a variety of games will be played including maj and poker.

Chabad House

Biblical Reflections
Rabbi Shemtov Lecture Series
Finding the Soul of Meaningful Relationships
December 19th - 10:00 am
Part Two on December 26th

CAFÉ CHABAD
Movie - December 5 - 10:00 am
Rabbi Shais Taub
Why Men and Women are Different

DOWN TOWN MENORA LIGHTING
In front of the Government Center, Socially Distanced.

MEMORAH & MARTINS
6-8 Latkes Night B&B. Donate your own grates Hanukah while enjoying a nosh and Chabad treats.

CAR MENORA PARADE
Share the joy by driving the streets with Menorah-topped cars & music! Latkes, dough, and refreshments will be served.

CHANUKAH AT THE MALL
Join us for a fun, outdoor Chanukah experience at the Franklin Park Mall!

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Last month’s NWOhio Jewish Book Festival provided an exceptional hybrid of in-person and Zoom digital events covering a range of topics including 1970s baseball, delicious Jewish baking recipes, a Mona Lisa mystery, a tale of bravery and friendship in Poland during WWII, and the misadventures of a theatre critic who becomes an actor.

Thank you to all our authors, Pam Jenoff, Dan Epstein, Merelyn Chalmers, Lisa Goldberg, Jonathan Santlofer, and Bob Abelman who took the time to present Jewish Toledo with a week-and-a-half of wonderful and fascinating events.

To the entire Jewish Toledo community and our Book Festival committee, we couldn’t have done this without you.

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