Winter Flicks FOUR Foodie Shorts!
Sunday, February 9 at 4 p.m.

Wendy’s Shabbat
The short documentary film is about a group of Jewish senior citizens who celebrate Shabbat at their local Wendy’s fast food restaurant with Hebrew blessings along with burgers and fries. 14 minutes

Gefilte
Each year, the Hermelin family of Detroit come together to celebrate Passover by eating Gefilte fish. While simple on the surface, Gefilte is stuffed with history and meaning (just like the recipe itself). Gefilte explores our feelings about family, identity, tradition, struggle, loss—and as always, love. 11 minutes

Egg Cream
Egg cream is a short film about the enduring meaning of a beloved chocolate soda drink born in New York City’s Jewish Lower East Side. Through a tour of egg cream establishments, with exhaustively researched archival imagery, and even a song by Lou Reed, the film examines the Jewish experience in America and the mythology of a simpler time. 15 minutes

Sturgeon Queens
Four generations of a Jewish immigrant family create Russ and Daughters, a Lower East Side New York City lox and herring emporium that survives and thrives. Produced to coincide with the 100th anniversary of the store, this documentary features two of the original daughters for whom the store was named, now 100 and 92 years old, and interviews with prominent store enthusiasts including Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, actress Maggie Gyllenhaal, chef Mario Batali, New Yorker writer Calvin Trillin, and 60 Minutes correspondent Morley Safer. 52 minutes

Cost:
General admission is $8 per person.
Pre-purchased tickets will be available the day of the film

Purchase tickets:
By phone: 419-724-0362
By email: Hallie@jewishtoledo.org
At the door on a first come, first served basis. Seating is limited.

Concessions
Popcorn and water will be available at all screenings (unless otherwise noted). This is included in your ticket price.

Parking
Free parking is available outside of the Franciscan Center Theatre, 6832 Convent Blvd., Sylvania

Questions
Please contact Hallie Freed at Hallie@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0362.
 dates are subject to change. events will be added monthly as information becomes available.

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make your contribution to the annual campaign online at www.jewishtoledo.org
Most people don’t dedicate more than 80 years of their time, talent, and resources to transforming their community, but Esther Greenfield wasn’t like most people.

"The fact that Esther had the foresight to create an endowment that would forever care for our local and global Jewish world likely comes as no surprise to anyone who knew her," said Arleen R. Levine, J.D., Foundation director. "Esther was a pillar of Jewish life in Toledo and a mentor and inspiration to generations of Jewish women and leaders. She passionately and tirelessly supported numerous causes. This LOJE is a continuation of Esther’s legacy that will nurture and inspire people for many, many years."

Esther, who was born in Toledo, began her Jewish communal involvement at age 11 after seeing her mother, Ida Weinman, co-found the Jewish Home for the Aged, later known as Darlington House. At 15, Esther joined Junior Hadassah, and in high school she chaired the Jewish Education League’s Young People’s Division. During World War II, Esther took dinners to Jewish soldiers at Camp Perry on Friday nights.

In 1944, Esther married Harry Greenfield, whom she met at a USO Dance. Together they had children Judith, Ellen, z”l, and, Mark, z”l, as well as three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Esther participated in Toledo’s first women’s trip to Israel in 1966, returning many times after. She and her family were lifelong members of Temple Shomer Emunim, where Esther also served on the board.

Esther was honored in 1998 at Federation’s 90th Annual Meeting with the Silver Circle Donor Award, recognizing supporters 65+ who maintained an Annual Campaign gift for at least 25 years and remained active in Federation and affiliated agencies through boards or committees. At that time, she was chair of the campaign’s Lion of Judah division and had previously served as the Women’s Board President and Women’s Campaign Chair. Esther was also a board member of Jewish Family Service and Darlington House, and a past president of Hadassah.

When asked for a 2004 Toledo Jewish News article what wisdom she would want to share with the younger generation, Esther responded "Life has its ups and downs, heartaches and joys. One has two choices: to put your head in the sand, be a complainer, see the negative side of life, or keep your head held high and do your very best to help make the world a better place."

A few years later in a subsequent Toledo Jewish News article about the LOJE program, Esther shared "I was given the privilege of presenting a gift to Marla Levine in honor of the establishment of her Lion of Judah Endowment gift within the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation. This was the first Lion of Judah Endowment gift established in our community. I started my research and when I finished reading the materials, I knew it would be a gift that I would establish as well," she said.

"My LOJE gift was created to perpetuate my gift to my community and to Israel. I have spent 70 years of my life in many different capacities for the betterment of Jewish life. I tried to set an example of giving so that my children would carry on for me. My Endowment Fund will be my legacy to my community and Israel."

For more information on establishing a LOJE fund or including the Foundation in your estate plan, contact Arleen R. Levine at Arleen@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0355.
Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo

Thank You

The 2019 Annual Campaign has come to a close, and we made our goal!

Due to your generosity, Federation can continue to provide existing and new programs and services to our Jewish community and broader communities.

Thank you for supporting our events.

We look forward to seeing you again and welcoming new faces.

Guess Who’s Coming to the Neighborhood

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo Silver Circle Society

Our Silver Circle Society was established in 1998. This society recognizes and honors individuals who have a 25 year or more giving history to the Jewish Federation’s Annual Campaign. Silver Circle donors longstanding financial commitment to the Campaign has helped the Federation continue needed programs and services to all in our Jewish community and abroad.

SAVE THE DATE!
May 14, 2020

At Temple Shomer Emunim
5-7:30 p.m.
Dinner and speaker.
No cost.

Calling all physicians and healthcare professionals

Save the date
March 3, 2020
More information to come

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Jewish Family Service
OF GREATER TOLEDO
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419-885-2561 | lee@jewishtoledo.org

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While the Food Pantry appreciates food donations, there is a greater need for personal care and paper products. Meijer Simply Give cards are not eligible for use on these items, so the Food Pantry depends on financial gifts or donations for personal care items.

If you’d like to donate items to the Food Pantry, please consider choosing items from its wish list:
• paper towels
• facial tissues
• diapers
• feminine hygiene products
• disposable razors
• shampoo
• soap (bar soap, dish soap, liquid hand soap, and laundry soap)
• toilet paper (preferably individual, pre-wrapped rolls)

Jewish Family Service
Sekach Building
Dinner locations to be determined

Moving Forward with Loss:
A grief support group for those who’ve lost a spouse

Third Tuesday of each month
4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Jewish Family Service Sekach Building

One of the most important factors in healing from grief is the support of other people. Having support from your family, friends, or a community of others who have also experienced grief allows you to feel that someone else “gets it.” Being able to share your story or your feelings may be vital to healing. There is a safe place to share and listen to others, where your faith and values are very similar. You can always attend our support group and just listen. You won’t be asked to speak unless you’re comfortable and you might feel better just being surrounded by a community (your community) with some understanding of the depth of your grief.

Dates at a glance:
February 18    August 18
March 17      September 15
April 21      October 20
May 19        November 17
June 16       December 15
July 21

Volunteers Needed at JFS!
The Patient Advocate Program offers an opportunity to engage in a meaningful and rewarding experience. This program connects trained volunteers with Jewish seniors to ensure they get the most out of their medical appointments.

Volunteers assist individuals in preparing for medical appointments, accompany them to appointments, and act as an advocate by facilitating communication between doctor and patient. This program offers volunteers flexibility and a chance to enhance the lives of seniors and our community.

Contact: Micki Pittman, 419-724-0407 mckenzie@jewishtoledo.org

JFS FOOD PANTRY
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Local

Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Day Celebration

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Celebrate Yom Ha'Atzmaut this year with the Jewish Music Experience

Family Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration – Happy Birthday, Israel!
Sponsored by PJ Library, The Inspiration Fund

The Mama Doni Experience
Thursday, May 7
5 – 6:30 p.m.
Temple Shomer Emunim (6453 W. Sylvania Ave.)
Free – Dinner is included. Please bring personal care items for donation to the JFS Family Pantry. Please let us know of any dietary restrictions in advance.

Families with children 10 years old and younger are invited to celebrate Israel's 72nd birthday with Mama Doni. The Mama Doni Experience (Doni Zasloff of Nefesh Mountain) encourages Jewish children and families to elevate ruach (spirit) to a whole new level in celebration of Jewish life, values, culture, and tradition. The Mama Doni Experience offers families a space to laugh, love, dance, and sing along with the inner Jewish child in all of us. RSVP requested to Colette Lundberg at 419-724-0361 or colette@jewish-toledo.org.

Community Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration
Part of the Jewish Music Experience

Nefesh Mountain
Thursday, May 7
7 p.m.
Temple Shomer Emunim (6453 W. Sylvania Ave.)
Free – please bring personal care items for donation to the JFS Family Pantry.

Celebrate Israel’s Independence Day with the beautiful sounds of Nefesh Mountain. Nefesh Mountain is the “place” where bluegrass, old-time, and American roots music meet with Jewish heritage and tradition. Creators, band leaders, and husband and wife team Doni Zasloff and Eric Lindberg are the heart of this eclectic band, pioneering a new world of American culture in which their deep love for American and Western music seamlessly blends with their cultural backgrounds as Jewish Americans. RSVP requested to Colette Lundberg at 419-724-0361 or colette@jewish-toledo.org.

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Lunch & Laughs
Israel History Through Comedy with Benji Lovitt
Monday, February 24
12 p.m.
Congregation B’nai Israel (6525 Sylvania Ave.)
$5 per person, includes lunch and entertainment
Registrations and payment requested by Monday, Feb. 17, please advise of any dietary restrictions

Join us for an afternoon of fun and laugh away those winter blues! Comedian Benji Lovit’s hilarious and insightful observations on Israeli society and cultural differences, along with his informal Jewish education, create an entertaining narrative. Gain a richer understanding of Israeli society by viewing and discussing clips of classic movies, TV, and comedy routines.

OUT AND ABOUT
ROADSIGNS
Roadsigns at Purple Rose Theatre, Chelsea, MI
Wednesday, February 19
12 p.m. - Leave Federation campus (6465 Sylvania Ave.)
1 p.m. - Lunch at Common Grill
3 p.m. - Matinee Show
7 p.m. - Return to Federation (estimated)
$50 per person includes transportation, lunch, and theatre ticket
Registration and payment required. This outing requires moderate walking and standing and features stairs and uneven terrain. Please share any accessibility and dietary needs at time of registration.

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Healthy Living
Our approach to aging includes promoting a healthy lifestyle. By offering a series of wellness programs, the JLC helps those in our community achieve their health goals.

MONDAY
9 a.m. – 10 a.m. AND 11 a.m. - noon
Get Fit…It’s Never Too Early

Your favorite class kicks off your day with a comprehensive workout featuring cardio, strength, and flexibility. Balls, bands, chairs, and light weights are used in this class. Join us for great moves and great music.

All supplies are provided. Free.

1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Drumming

A full-body workout for any fitness level that anyone can do. Drumsticks are pounded on exercise balls and clinked overhead and side-to-side to up-beat music that will have you moving in step and around the circle. This class keeps you active and gives your core a great workout. All supplies are provided.

WEDNESDAY
9 a.m. – 10 a.m. AND 11 a.m. - noon
Get Fit…It’s Never Too Early (see above for description)

1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Ballet Ball Fusion

This is a great combination class that brings together basic ballet, Tai Chi, and drumming to give you a complete and fulfilling workout unlike any other with music to guide you. It focuses on your core for balance and strength and offers a full range of motion to help you work on your stretching and breathing.
Join us for food and friendship as we celebrate our “Sweet 16!”

Registration and payment to the JLC requested by Friday, June 5

Only $5 per person for lunch and entertainment

Congregation B’nai Israel - 6525 Sylvania Ave.

Thursday, June 18 at noon

Mark your calendar for the Anniversary Luncheon

Drawing and Painting Class

Wednesdays
2 p.m.—4 p.m.
Board room in Sekach Building
All supplies are provided
All skill levels welcome

See art through a new vision: your own. In this class, you can work in pencil, watercolor, pastel, acrylics, or oil to create artwork from your favorite photograph or something you have seen in a magazine. Arjelika helps you create your own masterpiece in a fun and casual environment.

MAKE & TAKE: Pallet Painting

Monday, March 2 – Passover: Keep Calm & Seder On
Monday, March 23 – Tree of Life
2:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
Each session limited to 8 participants.
Sekach Bldg. 6505 Sylvania Ave.
$8 each class
Registration is required by Friday, February 28

Pallet painting has become the new art and decorating craze. We’ll provide the stencils, paint, and pallet. Bring your creativity to make yours unique. Create your pallet and take home with you that day!

Travel Guidelines

1. Very leisurely pace, minimal physical activity.

2. Requires average physical activity. Participants should be in good health, be able to climb stairs, and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven terrain.

3. Requires moderate physical activity with walking and standing. May include a few flights of stairs, uneven terrain, and walking slightly longer distances.

4. Requires physical activity such as longer walking tours, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. Tour days may be longer, with select activities in the evening.

5. Very active tour requiring guests to be physically fit. Includes extensive walking, high altitudes, early mornings, late evenings.

The Jewish Living Center (JLC) is a fresh, holistic approach to how we look at aging and how we view ourselves as we age. We strive to make the JLC the place where you come when you want to learn about something new and exciting. Where you can try out the newest trends in movement and exercise. Where technology is just a touch away. Where adventure takes you places. Where you gather with your old friends and make new ones. Where you can feel comfortable being yourself.

Be a part of the Jewish Living Center:
Pick the event(s) you want to participate in. Register by the registration deadline to join the fun.

Call us at 419-531-2119 # 2 or email Stephanie@JewishToledo.org with your payment information, as payment is due at the time of registration.

VISA, MasterCard, AMEX, and Discover are accepted.

Personal checks can be mailed to: Jewish Living Center 6505 Sylvania Avenue, Sylvania, OH 43560

“OY! I registered for an event and now I can’t attend!” Please call and let us know so we can open that spot for another community member.

Scent-free space
Jewish Living Center participants are asked not to wear perfume, cologne, or any other strong-smelling fragrances while participating in classes, programs, and trips. Your cooperation in this effort will allow all of our participants to take part in our programming.

For more information about the Jewish Living Center or its programs, please call Director René Rusgo at 419-531-2119 # 1 or email Rene@JewishToledo.org.

The Jewish Living Center (JLC) and all of its programs are open to those who are 60 and better and are supported through a generous grant from the Jewish Senior Services Supporting Organization (JSSSO) and through your campaign dollars.

Connect with us on Facebook!
Join the Jewish Living Center online here: facebook.com/groups/JewishLivingCenter

To register for a program, contact Stephanie Hinamon at 419-531-2119 #2 or email stephanie@JewishToledo.org. For more information about programs, contact René Rusgo at 419-531-2119 #1 or rene@jewishtoledo.org
Next Jewish Generation

NJG Ladies Book Club - Eternal Life by Dara Horn
Wednesday, February 5
7 p.m.
Address provided upon RSVP

Calling all ladies! Join us for our next book club event, where we will be discussing Eternal Life by Dara Horn. Get your copy and start reading. Don’t worry if you don’t finish in time to discuss it. Come have a glass of wine anyway and help us choose our next book. RSVP to Hallie@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0362

RSVP to any or all events to Hallie@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0362.

NJG Trivia Nights
It’s your favorite night out and you know the drill...free trivia, appetizers on us, and drinks on you! Trivia starts at 7 p.m., make sure to arrive by 6:45 p.m. (reservation will be under Hallie Freed). Please RSVP the day prior to each trivia night to Hallie@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0362.

Thursday, Feb. 20
The Casual Pint – 3550 Executive Pkwy.
Tuesday, March 31
Wednesday, April 29
El Camino Real – 2500 Sylvania Ave.

Young Jewish Toledo
is a staple of Jewish life in the Toledo area, existing to draw wonderful, dynamic, young Jewish people together for the greater benefit of the community.

From Hebrew Happy Hours to date nights to volunteer opportunities, Young Jewish Toledo provides a range of opportunities for young Jewish professionals 21-40. These future leaders of Jewish Toledo are continuously strengthening personal connections while participating in – and perpetuating – Jewish life in Toledo.

To find out more about how you or someone you know can get involved with Young Jewish Toledo, contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org.

Project Menchify: To Knit or to Knot? That is the question

Calling all knitters, crocheters, and crafters from beginner level to advanced…. we need your help! Join us in making knitted and crocheted blankets as well as no-sew blankets for local hospices, hospitals, dog shelters, and other organizations. Don’t know how to craft these items? Don’t worry, we will teach you! Everyone is invited to join us at our monthly To Knit or to Knot - a place to learn, craft, and talk with other likeminded friends.

Not able to make an afternoon with us but still want to donate? We will gladly accept 8-inch (20 centimeter) knitted or crocheted squares and any size no-sew blankets.

Donations can be dropped off to:
Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo 6465 Sylvania Ave.
Attn: Colette Lundberg

To Knit or to Knot meetings
Federation’s Leonard Lounge
Free – supplies, coffee, and pastries provided

Thursday, Feb. 27 at 1 – 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 29 at 1 – 3 p.m.
Thursday, March 26 at 1 – 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 19 at 1 – 3 p.m.

Any questions? Contact Hallie Freed at Hallie@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0362.

Next Jewish Generation Breaking Bread Project

Have you been meaning to get together with friends but haven’t found the time? Well, Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo and Toledo Jewish Community Foundation are offering $100 for you to host your own Shabbat dinner!

We want to empower you to host a Shabbat dinner for your friends in your own space, be it an apartment, house, park, or Toledo pub.

Our goal is to help you create a warm, intimate Shabbat experience on your own terms. Want to order pizza? Perfect. Feel like having a potluck? Fabulous. You choose how formal or informal this experience will be for your guests.

Visit www.tinyurl.com/breakingbreadtoledo to fill out an application.

If needed, you will be reimbursed up to a maximum of $100 per Shabbat dinner (not including alcohol). To be reimbursed, hosts must complete a brief survey following the event and email up to three photos taken during the event to be shared on our Facebook page.

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org.

www.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.

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 supported in part by The Inspiration Fund and Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo.
Temple Shomer Emunim

February Worship Schedule

Friday, February 7
Shabbat Service 6:00PM
Tu Bishvat Seder Experience

Saturday, February 8
Shabbat Morning Yoga 10:30AM
Followed by Brunch

Friday, February 14
Shabbat Service 6:00PM
Rabbi Weinstein will speak

Friday, February 21
Shabbat Service at 6:00PM
Healing Shabbat

Friday, February 28
Shabbat Service 6:00PM
Rabbi Weinstein will speak

Men's Chavurah
Wednesday, February 26 @ 7:00PM

Shabbat Morning Yoga-Body & Soul
Saturday, February 8 @ 10:30AM
followed by a dairy brunch
RSVP to Inna Baum @ temples.com
by Wednesday, Feb. 5

It's Almost Time for Purim!
Hamentaschen Pre-Sale
8 dozen $4.00 dozen
Apricot, Raspberry, Apple, Lemon, Chocolate & Poppyseed
Deadline for pre-order is February 28
Email mkuehne@temples.com or
call 419/885-3341
Pick-up is Friday, March 13 & Sunday, March 15

Purim Carnival
The Purim Carnival is Sunday, March 15!
9:30AM – Costume Parade & Megillah Reading
10:00-11:30AM – Purim Carnival

Purim Spiel!
"Waiting for Hannan"
Sunday, March 15 at 5:00PM
Adults $14
Children 10 & Under $7
RSVP to mkuehne@temples.com or
419/885-3341 by Wednesday, March 11

Coffee with the Clergy
Wednesdays, February 5 & 19 at 11:00AM

Congregation B'nai Israel

CBI Events

Shabbat Shira: The Sabbath of Song
with Hazzan Ivor Lichterman
Saturday, February 1
Services: 9:30 AM

This service is designed for parents with
children up to 3 years of age
Kiddush lunch will follow. Let us know if you plan
to attend. Call the office at 419-517-4100 or email
kbrody@cbitoledo.org.

Getting to Know Our Neighbors:
Continuing the Dialogue
CBI Social Action Committee is hosting an interactive
conversation and dinner with our friends and neighbors
from Christ Presbyterian Church. This is an opportunity for
CBI members and our guests, to ask questions, hear answers, learn and share.

Sunday, February 9 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
RSVP by Monday, February 3 to 419.517.8400.

Women of CBI
February Book Club Selections:
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This program is in partnership with Hazzan Lichterman, the
CBI Board of Trustees, and the Jewish Community Relations
Committee of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo.

Jewish Lives, Jewish Learning:
CBI Adult Education Series

JOIN US AS WE WELCOME OUR
2020 SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE:
Rabbi Robert Dobrusin

Bennett Rabbi, Temple Beth Israel of Ann Arbor, Michigan and author
of "The Long Way Around, Stories and Sermons from a Life's Journey."

Shabbat, Saturday, February 22 9:30 AM
Sunday, February 23 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Join us for our stimulating snack and learn programs.
NO CHARGE. Everyone welcome.

Daily Services Schedule

Monday - Friday: 7:00 AM and 5:45 PM
Saturday: 9:30 AM and 1:00 PM
Sunday: 9:30 AM (when Sunday School is in session)

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CBI Adult Education Series: Sundays at 10:30 AM

Dr. David & Judy Weinberg - March 8, 2020
The Road to Morocco: Jews in an Arab Land
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remains a strong and vibrant presence.

Dr. Ken Pargament - March 15, 2020
Sacred Moments: What Makes Life Worth Living
This talk will focus on what may be one key to a worthwhile life - sacred
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describe what sacred moments are and how they have helped people live
more meaningful lives. We will also talk about how people can cultivate
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CBI Events

CBI's Tot Shabbat Program
Saturday, February 1
11:15 AM - 12:00 PM

This service is designed for parents with
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Kiddush lunch will follow. Let us know if you plan
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Saturday, February 8
Services: 9:30 AM

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February Book Club Selections:
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Sunday, February 9
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
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Getting to Know Our Neighbors:
Continuing the Dialogue
The CBI Social Action Committee is hosting an interactive
conversation and dinner with our friends and neighbors
from Christ Presbyterian Church. This is an opportunity for
CBI members and our guests, to ask questions, hear answers, learn and share.

Sunday, February 9 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
RSVP by Monday, February 3 to 419.517.8400.

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FIRESIDE CHAT
Everyone is invited to a Fireside Chat on Saturday evening, February 1, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Charles & Phyllis Wittenberg. Rabbi Rubin will be the speaker and will be discussing and exploring “Scientific Explanations For Miraculous Events: What should our reaction as people of faith be as the scientific world seeks to explain the great miracles of history?”

Refreshments will be served. Please bring your questions.

SISTERHOOD NEWS
Purim is coming soon. All members of Etz Chayim should be on the lookout for a letter about Sisterhood’s annual Shalosh Manoch bag fundraiser. These bags, filled with hamantashen, candy, fruit, and other surprises make great Purim gifts for family, friends, and acquaintances. Please fill out the form and mail it back with your check by February 17.

The next Sisterhood Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 3 at 10:15 a.m. in the Morris & Clara Weinblatt Library. All Sisterhood members are invited to attend.

POKER/MAHJONG
Everyone is invited to play poker and mah jongg twice a month beginning in February. Join us on Sunday, February 2nd and 16th at 10:00 a.m. Newcomers and experienced players are always welcome. Refreshments will be served.

KNITZVAH GROUP
Be a part of our “knitzvah” group—Knitting & crocheting for “Baskets of Care.” Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. in the synagogue library. Everyone is welcome.

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY SHABBAT LUNCH PLANNED
Everyone is invited to a delicious lunch following Shabbat services on Saturday, February 8th to celebrate with our congregational members who have a birthday or anniversary during the month of February.

TU B’SHEVAT SEDER
Rebbetzin Kerry Rubin is leading the Women’s Learning Hour each Wednesday morning beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Weinblatt Library. She and her group will plan and lead a creative Tu B’Shevat seder on Sunday, February 9th at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is invited. Please call the office to make a reservation.

ETZ CHAYIM BOOK CLUB
The Etz Chayim Book Club will be held on Monday, February 10, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. in the Weinblatt Library. Andrea Lublin will be reviewing the book Summer of ’69, by Elin Hilderbrand. Everyone is invited. Dessert will be served.

MIX & MINGLE PLANNED
On Saturday evening, February 29th at 7:30 p.m. the synagogue will be hosting a mix and mingle social gathering in the Louis & Dora Cohen Auditorium. There will be board games and card games as well as wine, beer and appetizers. The cost is $5.00 per person. Please call the office to R.S.V.P.

Save the Date
Purim Family Celebration
Tuesday, March 10
5:00 PM
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Last month, we had a general introduction to the subject of Jewish law and its importance to us. We illustrated how it would be impossible to even read the written Torah without the oral Torah.

This month, we will continue to discuss how we know that there is an oral tradition, and begin to discuss the advantage of the dual oral-written system.

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At least 30 sports will compete.

In addition to the games, educational, cultural, and social activities and tours are planned.

Tryout information, selection criteria and other information on how to join can be found on the at maccabiusa.com

Men’s Duplicate Bridge
Every Tuesday Evening
7 – 9 p.m.
Sekach Building – 6505 Sylvania Ave.

The Jewish Living Center of Greater Toledo is thrilled to welcome the Men’s Duplicate Bridge Game to its array of program offerings. This game is open to all who want to play. All that is required is that you fill out an emergency form and pay the yearly activity fee.

Light refreshments will be provided, and all necessary game needs provided.

Should you like to play but aren’t sure of your skills and would like to learn, please let us know and we can arrange for lessons prior to the game... To arrange a lesson or for more information, please call 419-531-2119.

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Cemeteries close early every Friday at 4 p.m. for Erev Shabbat
Cemeteries are closed every Saturday for Shabbat

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Stephen Rothschild, Jewish Federation Executive Director, met with State Senator Theresa Gavarone during her recent visit to the YMCA/JCC. Pictured left to right are Stephen Rothschild; Senator Theresa Gavarone; Brad Toft, President and CEO of YMCA of Greater Toledo; YMCA/JCC of Sylvania Executive Director Diana Jacobson and District Vice President Melanie Grohowski.
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Jewish Community Relations Council

Jewish Community Relations Council Director

The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo is seeking to hire a JCRC Director who is a diligent leader and advocate, with community relations savvy, community outreach experience, and a passion for combatting anti-Semitism and hatred. This individual is to help lead the community in outreach and further develop the relationships with our partners in Toledo and overseas, and be able to navigate challenging and polarized political environments and address community dynamics with nuance and tact. Click here for the full job description.

The Director will work in cooperation with the Federation Executive Director and the JCRC Chairperson to set priorities for the local Jewish community relations agenda and will oversee the JCRC’s core work including issues related to Israel advocacy, antisemitism, local, state and national government relations, social and economic justice and interfaith relations.

In addition, in coordination with the Federation Executive Director and the JCRC Chairman, the JCRC Director will serve as a resource to media, government officials and Jewish and non-Jewish community leaders on matters relating to Israel and the Jewish community and must possess excellent written and verbal communication skills.

The JCRC’s mission is to support Israel, to promote an understanding of Judaism, to monitor legislative issues, to build relationships with elected and/or other governmental officials, and to promote positive relations with other faith-based and/or ethnic communities in Northwest Ohio. The JCRC works to combat hate of all kinds and promotes diversity by building bridges of understanding across communities.

Qualifications: Bachelor’s Degree Required and 3-5 years of experience.

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- Mental health and addiction support
- Multifaith and multicultural outreach and education
- Advocacy for issues relevant to our Jewish community and others
- Planning community observances of Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) and Yom Hazikaron (Israel’s Memorial Day)
- Improving the relationship between American and Israeli Jews
- Israel Advocacy including partnering with organizations and businesses in promoting common opportunities

You can make a lasting impact on your community by getting involved with Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo. We are committed to your success and make the best use of your talents and interests. We are focused on results and action as we work together to reach common goals. For more information, please contact Fagie at Fagie@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0315, or Stephen at stephen@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0372.

Masa launches first Diaspora awareness program in Israel’s schools

20,000 Israeli students learn about Jewish Diaspora experience from Masa fellows

JERUSALEM — In December, Masa Israel Journey initiated its first Diaspora awareness-raising program, Diaspora Week, in Israel’s schools. From December 15-19, young Jewish professionals from around the world toured 30 schools across Israel to share their life experiences in the Jewish Diaspora with more than 20,000 Israeli students.

“Diaspora Week is an extremely powerful way to build the relationship between Israel and the Diaspora,” said Ofer Gutman, Masa Acting CEO. “Our program will impact both the fellows and the students who will exchange their unique stories and increase their understanding of one another’s communities.

Inaugurated in 2016 by Israel’s Knesset and Ministry of Education, Diaspora Week aims to expand and deepen the knowledge of Israeli citizens about Diaspora Jewry, to strengthen the connection and sense of belonging between Israelis and Jews around the world, and to increase the identification and recognition of Diaspora Jewry as a strategic resource for the continuation of the Jewish people. For almost a decade, Masa Israel Teaching Fellows (with the support of Israel’s Ministry of Education) has brought hundreds of young Jews to teach English in Israel’s social and demographic periphery. While 35,000 students benefit from the program annually, there are thousands more who have not yet been exposed to Diaspora Jewry.

The hope is that Diaspora Week will bridge the gap, Gutman said.

In cooperation with Israel’s Ministry of Education, Masa’s new initiative aims to further strengthen the Israel-Diaspora relationship by expanding the engagements between Masa fellows and Israel’s students.

As Masa fellows travel the country, they will learn about Israel’s social and cultural diversity while exposing Israeli students to the Jewish Diaspora experience. Masa fellows will share their personal stories and teach students about the various histories, traditions, cultures, and challenges that make up their communities.

“This is a golden opportunity to listen, to see, and to experience the diversity and richness of global Jewry. By building these bridges, we are connecting the Jewish people and strengthening our mutual Jewish future,” he said.

Education Minister of Israel Rabbi Rafi Peretz agreed, drawing a familial comparison between the two groups of Jews.

“The connection between the State of Israel and the Jews of the Diaspora is a connection between siblings, and we need to do everything we can to strengthen the connection between us. It’s in our souls,” Peretz said. “In recent times, Jewish communities have experienced violent events and anti-Semitism simply because of their Judaism, and there is meaningful value in connecting to these communities. The Ministry of Education has deepened the partnerships between the Jewish communities abroad and is constantly working to connect the State of Israel to their brethren abroad.

We will continue to cultivate the relationship — our mutual bond and solidarity do not remain only within the borders of the State of Israel, but also extend to the Jewish people around the world.”

Masa Israel Journey is the largest immersive, long-term educational experience for young adults ages 18-30. Through its programs that range from two months to a year, Masa offers an authentic, unmediated and challenging journey into Israeli society, culture, politics and history — and acts as the largest pipeline for the Jewish Diaspora to access the finest Israeli businesses, social enterprises, and academic institutions. Since its founding in 2004 by the Israeli Prime Minister’s Office and The Jewish Agency, Masa has served more than 120,000 young people from more than 62 countries.

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Toledo Symphony and Toledo School for the Arts to present Holocaust-era children’s opera

The Toledo Symphony Orchestra will present the Holocaust-era children's opera Brundibár on Thursday, February 20 at the historic Toledo Museum of Art Peristyle Theater to commemorate the 75th anniversary of World War II.

Composed in 1938 by Czech composer Hans Krása with lyrics by Czech librettist Adolf Hoffmeister, Brundibár premiered in German-occupied Prague and was performed by the children at the Jewish Orphanage. It received one additional performance before the mass transports of Jews to Theresienstadt concentration camp in Czechoslovakia began in 1942. The piano score was later smuggled into the Theresienstadt in 1943 by Rudolph Freudenfeld, the conductor of the original premiere. Krása later re-orchestrated Brundibár for the instruments available at the camp.

The Nazis arranged a new staging of Brundibár for their propaganda film titled The Fuhrer Gives a Village to the Jews. The film was made to create the illusion for the outside world that the camps were benign and the Jews were being treated humanely. The new production premiered in 1944 and would be the last of the 55 performances by the children of Theresienstadt. Two weeks later, Krása and most of the children who performed in the opera were deported to Auschwitz and died in gas chambers.

Holocaust survivor Ela Weissberger, who played the role of the cat in every performance of Brundibár, was one of few child performers at Theresienstadt who survived the war. Ela’s daughter, Tamar Grishpon, will speak about her mother’s experiences at the performance.

“This story of triumph over evil is multi-layered,” says Rachel Schultz, Director of Education and Community Outreach at the Toledo Symphony. “For younger students, the children's story we see on stage will tell a story of bullies, friendship, perseverance, and teamwork. Peel back the layers, and older students and adults will uncover how this production fits into the world then and now.”

“In the next few years, there will not be any Holocaust survivors left,” says Hindea Markowicz, Director of the Ruth Fajerman Markowicz Holocaust Resource Center of Greater Toledo. “It is up to us to remind the world of the atrocities that took place during World War II, and this presentation of Brundibár by the Toledo Symphony and Toledo School for the Arts will certainly move us and help us all remember.”

The one-night-only evening performance of Brundibár will open with But the Giraffe, by Tony-award playwright Tony Kushner and Maurice Sendak. But the Giraffe tells a fictional story behind the extraneous true events of how Rudolph Freudenfeld was able to smuggle pieces of Krása's opera into Theresienstadt. In the story, a young girl is determined to bring her stuffed giraffe with her when she learns her family is moving to a new home. Her mother insists there is no room for the giraffe as her uncle needs the space for a pile of papers, the score to a children's opera that would bring joy to not only one little girl, but lots of little boys and girls.

Tickets for the evening performance open to the public are $20 and can be purchased in-person at the Toledo Alliance for the Performing Arts (TAPA) Box Office (1838 Parkwood Ave.), by calling 419-246-8000 (Monday through Friday, 9-5PM), or by visiting the website at toledosymphony.com. A portion of ticket sales will go to support the Ruth Fajerman Markowicz Holocaust Resource Center at Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo.

Grocery Store Scavenger Hunt

Jewish Family Service and Federation’s joint Grocery Store Scavenger Hunt event was as fun as it was successful. Eight families shopped ‘till they dropped at the Central Avenue Meijer store, generously donating $550 worth of food and personal care items to the JFS Family Pantry. After shopping, participants brought the items to JFS, received prizes for their roles, and enjoyed dinner together.
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