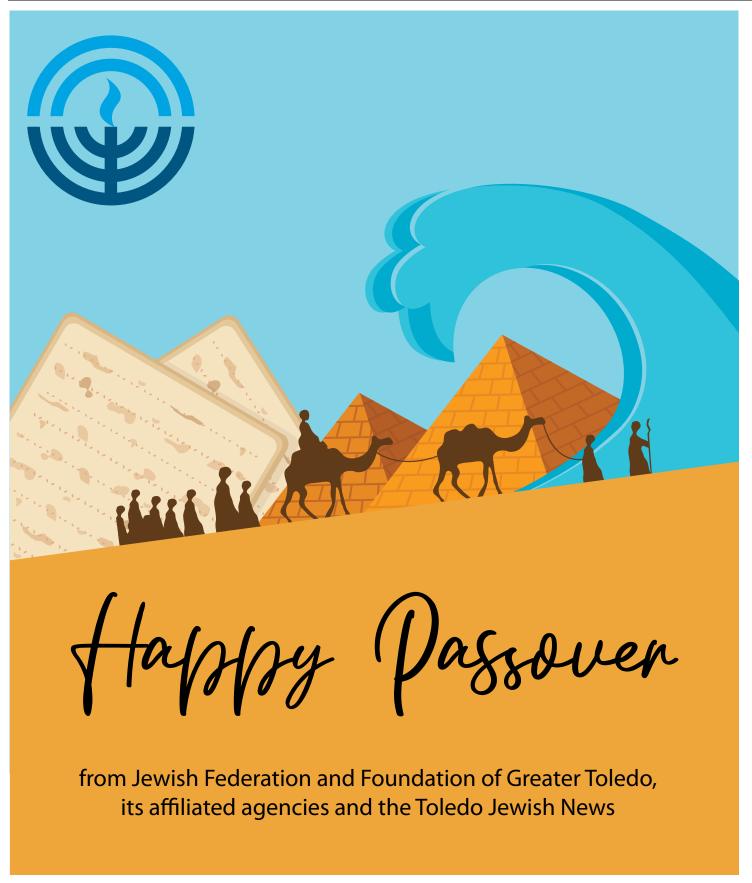
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# Galling Passover lovers and artists of ALL ages!

Help us stock our food pantry with paper products for Passover!

Drop off your donations and we will supply you with a yummy Passover goodie bag!

#### Goodie Bag and Art Kit pick up: Sunday, March 21, I – 2 p.m.

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Sign up for goodie bags & kits at: https://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/passover

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Sand Art Zoom Call Sunday, March 21 4 p.m.

Zoom Call Information: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84432378148



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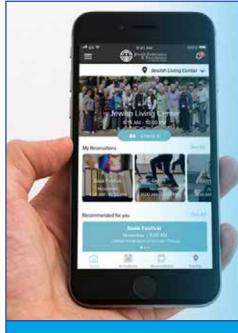
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The main eligibility and guideline requirements are below. Please note that a student should apply for scholarships if only they meet the criteria.

- Applicant must be a resident of Northwest Ohio/Southeast Michigan.
- Scholastic aptitude and academic achievement as demonstrated by formal transcript.
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- The applicant is for undergraduate studies only.
- Demonstration of motivation, ability and potential.
- Demonstration of involvement in the Jewish community.
- All applications are reviewed based upon financial need.

#### Deadline for submitting applications is March 26, 2021.

Please contact Deb Damschroder, Senior Care Community Outreach Coordinator, Jewish Family Service at 419-724-0405 or Deb@jewishtoledo.org, for further information.

## Please join Foundation in planting and planning for our future

"I found a fruitful world, because my ancestors planted it for me. Likewise, I am planting for my children." – Babylonian Talmud, Ta'anit 23a

As Jews, it is both a responsibility and a blessing to care for the world around us. It is always an excellent time to think about what roots you want to establish now to ensure the local and global Jewish communities flourish far into the future.

Toledo Jewish Community Foundation provides a variety of ways for donors, no matter your age or income, to make investments that will bear fruit in the form of Jewish security and continuity both now and decades from now.

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The Toledo Jewish Community Foundation is accepting proposals for its Long Term Community Needs Fund (Unrestricted Fund) grants.

There will be three cycles of grant review. Please note the following deadline: June 1, 2021

We are pleased to assist you with this process and welcome your grant proposals. Please contact Arleen R. Levine at Arleen@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0355.



# FAUDA – A chat with stars Doron Ben David & Yaakov Zada Daniel Tuesday, April 13 | 5:30 p.m.

Zoom event – Free Optional vegetarian dinner from Ameera's - \$5 per person RSVP Required by Friday, April 2. Sign up at: https://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/fauda



Fauda, the award winning Israeli political thriller, depicts the two-sided story of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Fauda follows Doron Kavillio, a former member of an elite Israeli counter-terrorism team. Seeking the quiet life, Doron retired to own a vineyard. His peaceful existence is shattered when he learns that a Hamas military leader, the mastermind behind the deaths of scores of Israelis, a man he was convinced he had killed, is alive and well and planning another attack. He quickly rejoins his team in their hunt for Abu Ahmed.

Join Doron Ben David and Yaakov Zada Daniel, stars of the hit Netflix TV series *Fauda*, for an unforgettable talk about their unique journeys to become actors, the significance of Jews and Arabs collaborating in the name of art, and the impact of the TV series on Arabs, Israelis, and Jews.

Daniel and Ben David will share their experiences on sacrifice, friendships, devotion, fear, and near-death experiences. You will be able to experience an intimate insight into how they have overcome struggles early in their lives and how through hard work, persistence, and faith they eventually turned their dreams into reality.

Join in on the fun at home by picking up a delicious falafel dinner from Ameera Mediterranean Bistro on Main St. in Sylvania.

Any questions? Contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org Or Daniel Pearlman at daniel@jewishtoledo.org

# Local

# V Project's Interfaith Summit addresses religious and ethical questions about COVID-19 vaccination

On Tuesday, February 16, local leaders from multiple faiths came together, along with a panel of health experts, to answer difficult questions about the COVID-19 vaccine for the common good of our communities. The summit's goal was to present accurate information and to address concerns about the vaccine within our broader community.

Stephen Rothschild, Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo represented the Jewish community. Other participating religious leaders and organizations included Imam Ahmad Deeb from the Islamic Center of Greater Toledo, Rev. Monsignor William Kubacki from the Toledo Catholic Diocese, Dr. Calvin Sweeney from Tabernacle Church, Pastor Ben Snyder from CedarCreek Church, Pandit Anant Dixit from the Hindu Temple of Toledo, and Bishop Pat McKinstry from the Worship Center.

The panel of medical professionals included Wood County Health Commissioner Ben Robison, Dr. Anthony Armstrong from Mercy Health, and Dr. Komal Masood, infectious disease expert

at FQHC and ProMedica. Giving opening remarks were Sean Savage, founder of the V Project, and Wade Kapszukiewicz, Mayor of Toledo.

The first question was addressed to faith leaders: is the vaccine ethical from a religious perspective? Every faith leader confirmed that the vaccine is prepared ethically and is acceptable to take in each of their respective faiths. In his remarks, Stephen Rothschild indicated that in Judaism, "we have the obligation to take care of our own health, and when we have the opportunity to care for and protect others from illness or disease, the obligation is to do so." Stemming from this Jewish value, the rabbinical leadership of all the major denominations of Judaism have supported getting the vaccine.

The medical professionals were also asked several questions. They assured the audience that the vaccine is safe to take regardless of racial or ethnic background. Dr. Armstrong, an African-American physician, spoke about the legitimate doubts that many African-Americans may have about the vaccine given the past mistreatment of their community

by the public health system. A prominent example was the infamous 40-year Tuskegee Experiment, which promised sharecroppers infected with syphilis free health care but provided no care, despite an effective treatment being available since 1940. Dr. Armstrong assured the African-American community and others that the vaccine is safe to take.

The V Project is an area-wide initiative to educate, motivate, and vaccinate the entire Northwest Ohio corridor, with the goal of dramatically reducing spread of COVID-19 in our community. It includes industry, government, non-profit, healthcare, education, and religious leaders. The newly-formed organization works together to amplify the Toledo Lucas County Health Department's message on the importance of getting the COVID-19 vaccine.

In addition to the Jewish submitters of what Federation, Chabad House of Toledo, Congregation B'nai Israel, is also available Congregation Etz Chayim, and Temple Shomer Emunim have supported the V Project and are part of its faith-based committee. Elsa Leveton from Congregation Etz is submitters of what was a vaccination. It is also available supported the V Project and are part of its faith-based committee. Elsa contact Shari B jewishtoledo.org.

Chayim, who watched the livestream of the summit, commented that "It's wonderful how all the religious leaders joined together. I think it provides so much hope for the future – for not just the vaccine, but for our community and our world to come together."

If you would like to watch the recording of the Interfaith Summit, please visit www.VProject.org/InterfaithSummit.

If you need help signing up for the vaccine, dial 2-1-1 on any phone to reach United Way's 2-1-1 service. United Way's community resource advisors will be assisting individuals who have a disability, no access to technology or are experiencing technical issues in completing the Lucas County Health Department online "COVID-19 vaccine preregistration" form, which notifies submitters of when they can receive a vaccination. United Way 2-1-1 is also available to those in Ottawa and Wood counties. Additional help is available from Jewish Family Service at 419-885-2561 or you can contact Shari Bernstein at sharib@

### Retiring Maumee Police Chief to Join Federation Staff

By Jessica Endy



Enhancing communal safety and welfare is a key responsibility of the Jewish Federation and Foundation of Greater Toledo — a responsibility that has grown increasingly complicated and critical this past year. Now, for the first time ever, the Federation is hiring a Community Asset, Safety and Security Manager (CASSM), Chief David H. Tullis II.

After a 36-year career with the Maumee Police Division, Chief Tullis will retire on May 18 and become a Federation professional later that month. "Chief Tullis knows this community and is dedicated to it," said Stephen Rothschild, Executive Director, Jewish Federation and Foundation of Greater Toledo. "He knows the local law enforcement community. He speaks the language and knows what it means to serve and protect. He has had a long and illustrious career as a police officer and

a leader."

Chief Tullis' police tenure has included three years as Maumee's Chief of Police, four years as lieutenant and 20 years as sergeant; he holds a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from The University of Toledo, is a graduate of the Police Executive Leadership College, and is a Certified Law Enforcement Executive. Chief Tullis is highly experienced in managing operations, human resources, training and development, cultural awareness and outreach programs, media relations, interagency efforts and strategic planning. In 2019, Maumee was named the safest city in Ohio.

"I've been in law enforcement a long time, and I still have a lot of work left in me," said Chief Tullis. "Working in the private sector at Federation will be similar to my role now: managing community safety. This new position will give me the opportunity to keep this community safe and secure."

Chief Tullis feels his strong relationships with many local leaders and organizations will be vital to his success as the CASSM. "It is important to have an open dialogue with different community members, especially so that if there is a threat, we are aware and prepared."

"The safety and security of our community is a priority," said Rothschild. "Many other Jewish communities have filled security and safety positions because of the increased risks to the Jewish community. There is a definite need for this role, and for Chief Tullis' expertise and oversight."

As the CASSM, Chief Tullis will oversee the maintenance, security and safety of Federation's real property assets, as well as supervise programs, systems and training to keep staff and community members safe. Among Chief Tullis' main responsibilities will be:

- Managing the security and maintenance of properties and security systems, which includes the review of surveillance video. (In addition to its main building, the Federation has property assets in several other locations, including a Hillel House at The University of Toledo, a Hillel apartment in Bowling Green, the Sekach building on the Federation campus, and Federation offices in the JCC/YMCA.)
  - Coordination of internet security
- Evaluating, maintaining and testing community communication systems
- Emergency preparedness training
- Coordination with local and national security resources to best protect the community
- Assistance with grant proposals to support security initiatives

Chief Tullis also will be available to assist congregations with information,

security assessments and training for staff and congregants as requested.

"We know from experience that there are local threats to our safety and security," said Rothschild. "The national picture has also gotten worse. Several Ohio Jewish communities have organized an Ohio Regional Intelligence Center to coordinate the efforts of Jewish community security professionals across the state who will support other national security resources, and we also expect that Chief Tullis will become a part of these efforts."

Chief Tullis has already planned meetings with security managers in Cleveland, Youngstown and Detroit to discuss their safety programs. "I'm looking forward to picking their brains about their policies and procedures," said Chief Tullis.

The CASSM position is being supported by a State of Ohio grant, along with community funds set aside by the Federation for security thanks to a bequest from Gerald Getz.

"I grew up in Sylvania," said Chief Tullis. "I worked at the JCC, and played basketball there. Beginning this new role will be like coming full circle. It will be like coming back home."

"Chief Tullis has always 'been about' his community, and now he gets to write the next chapter with us," said Rothschild. "We could not have hoped for a more qualified candidate."

# Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo



### Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo welcomes new JCRC director



Reprinted from Nov. 2020

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo ("JFGT") announces that it has hired Daniel Pearlman as the new director of the Jewish Community Relations Council. Daniel will start in November 2020 and will be working in transition with the current director Fagie Benstein until her retirement at the end of December 2020. "Daniel rose to the

top of a pool of nearly 20 candidates from around the country," said Stephen Rothschild, JFGT Executive Director. "During the interview process, we were very impressed by Daniel's communication skills, his knowledge and experiences of Israel, his commitment to Jewish values and to addressing antisemitism, anti-Zionism, and the promoting of civil discourse in a diverse and tumultuous time in our history," Stephen said. JCRC chair, Sue Ann Hochberg said of his hiring, "We are thrilled to welcome Daniel to our community as the new JCRC director. His passion and creativity promise to move the us forward to successfully confront the challenges of our times."

Daniel is currently the Programs Manager at Classrooms Without Borders in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Classrooms Without Borders provides programming on topics relating to antisemitism, hate, the Holocaust, genocide, Israel, Jewish history, and racial justice, and works

with 125 schools in five states. In his role, Daniel has interacted with more than 7,000 participants over the past six months alone. Daniel is a graduate of the University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Judaic Studies. He also has a Masters degree in Nonprofit Management & Leadership from Hebrew University of Jerusalem, where he graduated magna cum laude.

While a student in Israel, Daniel co-founded and managed the Lilmod Language Exchange which brought together English and Hebrew speakers to build relationships and foreign language skills. The program was such a success it was acquired and pursued by Nefesh B'Nefesh, a part of the Jewish Agency for Israel. Daniel has also worked with Hand in Hand: The Center for Jewish-Arab Education in Israel and is a former community relations intern with the Jewish Federation of Cleveland.

Fagie said of Daniel's hiring,

"my retirement comes with a great sense of confidence and comfort in the future as Daniel joins our Federation team. Every generation has its own experiences, challenges and memories, firmly grounded in Judaism and they must be passed on to the next generation." "Daniel is the future, as is his generation." Fagie went on to say, "I plan to do everything I can to help Daniel with his transition to make him successful. He is exactly what our community needs and deserves. The future is in good hands."

Stephen added, "Daniel is quite personable and is looking forward to building relationships in our Jewish and non-Jewish communities. We are excited about him joining us and hope that the social distancing requirements of COVID-19 will soon be a thing of the past so that you can all meet and get to know Daniel in person." Please join the Federation in welcoming Daniel to our Toledo Jewish family.



Over the past year, we've experienced 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. And we did it all *virtually*.

In other years, we gather around the seder table with family and friends. This year, we gather around separate seder tables, sharing the holiday virtually. But while last Passover, we faced a year of uncertainty and loss, this Passover we truly know the power and strength of our Jewish community — here in Toledo and as a whole.

The challenges we continue to face are huge, but with each of us giving as generously as we can, we will make this year different from all other years, because this year, our impact will be greater than in any year before.

Thank you in advance.



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# Jewish Family and Social Services

# Letters Tosephine



Since late March I've been getting a little spring in my step every time I head to the mailbox. Anticipating my latest Amazon order? No. That government stimulus check? Nope.

I'm waiting for a letter from Josephine.

Allow me to explain.

Josephine is my pen pal. We were paired through Jewish Family and Social Services to unite people during the coronavirus pandemic through the lost art of letter writing.



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# MIDWEST JEWISH CHAT

We are excited to facilitate a platform to discuss challenges and triumphs, coping skills and tips, and maintain a supportive environment during this challenging time and beyond.



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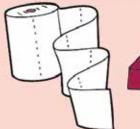
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## Local

### Ugandan, Nambi Shoshana, to visit Jewish Toledo virtually



Growing up in Uganda, Shoshana Nambi was active in her small Jewish community. She taught songs and the Torah portion to younger children and was a member of her community's youth group. Learning Hebrew also seemed to come easily. So it seemed obvious to her that she would consider becoming a rabbi.

The Ugandan Jewish community, which is called the Abayudaya, traces its roots to the early 20th cen-

tury, when a former leader read the Bible and embraced Judaism. Most of the community's 2,000 members were converted under the auspices of U.S. Conservative rabbis in the early 2000s and thus are not recognized as Jewish by Israel's Orthodox Chief Rabbinate. Nambi says her grandparents started practicing Judaism, and her immediate family has been doing so ever since.

When Idi Amin came into power in the 1970s he made Judaism illegal which led many Jews to hide their Jewishness and go underground. Amin had synagogues destroyed and the expression and practice of Judaism was prohibited.

When Amin was pushed out of power in April 1979 during Passover, his demise coinciding with the important holiday commemorating the Jewish people's liberation from slavery in Egypt, the Abayudaya community began to rebuild to the vibrant community of today.

Fulfilling her dream, Nambi is currently in her third-year of studies at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the Reform movement's seminary, and is a Student Rabbi at North Reform Synagogue in Cutchogue, New York. She hopes to return to her community one day and serve as a role model for other women and girls.

Jewish Toledoans can meet with Shoshana and hear her story live on Sunday, March 21, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. as Congregation B'nai Israel welcomes her to Toledo via Zoom.

More information about Nambi's Zoom visit is available by contacting Congregation B'nai Israel directly at 419-517-8400.

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**Jewish Holiday Closing Schedule for 2021** 

Saturday, March 27, 2021	Erev Passover	Close at 4 P.M.
Sunday, March 28, 2021	1 <sup>st</sup> day of Passover	Closed
Monday, March 29, 2021	2 <sup>nd</sup> day of Passover	Closed
Friday, April 2, 2021	Erev 7 <sup>th</sup> day of Passover	Close at 4 P.M.
Saturday, April 3, 2021	7 <sup>th</sup> day of Passover	Closed
Sunday, April 4, 2021	8 <sup>th</sup> day of Passover	Closed
Sunday, May 16, 2021	Erev Shavuot	Close at 4 P.M.
Monday, May 17, 2021	Shavuot	Closed
Tuesday, May 18, 2021	Shavuot	Closed
Monday, September 6, 2021	Erev Rosh Hashana	Close @ 4 P.M.
Tuesday, September 7, 2021	Rosh Hashana	Closed
Wednesday, September 8, 2021	Rosh Hashana	Closed
Wednesday, September 15, 2021	Erev Yom Kippur	Close @ 4 P.M.
Thursday, September 16, 2021	Yom Kippur	Closed
Monday, September 20, 2021	Erev Sukkot	Close at 4 P.M.
Tuesday, September 21, 2021	Sukkot	Closed
Wednesday, September 22, 2021	Sukkot	Closed
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### Jewish Living Center Facebook group

The Jewish Living Center Facebook group is especially for Jewish Toledo members 60 and better. It offers resources to healthy living, cultural events, how-tos of participating in virtual events online and much more.

It's simple to enjoy the benefits of JLC online. Just search for Jewish Living Center on Facebook. Click the request to join button and in short order you'll be approved by the staff. Become a member of the group and the fun begins.







# Contact the Jewish Living Center

Please contact the Jewish Living Center if we can be of assistance to you during these extraordinary times. The JLC has exercise videos and other resources available to help make your stay at home more enjoyable and productive.

We will all get through this together!

For more information, please contact the Jewish Living Center at 419-531-2119 or email rene@JewishToledo.org.



JLC is pleased to announce the virtual return of our popular exercise classes

# 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 26 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 419-531-2119 or email rene@jewishtoledo.org.

#### **MONDAYS**

10 a.m. Get Fit1 p.m. Foundation Fitness

**WEDNESDAYS** 

10 a.m. Get Fit1 p.m. Ballet Fusion

#### **FRIDAYS**

10 a.m. Zumba 10 a.m. Drumming



# Active Life for 60 and Better

### JLC & National JCC Adult & Senior **Alliance**

The Jewish Living Center is thrilled to announce that we are now a partner in the National JCC Adult & Senior Alliance. This alliance allows us to bring you cutting-edge, exciting, and relevant programs - to the comfort of your home. Through this new effort, we can select the programs and events that best fit our community, allowing us to provide the most diverse programming possible. Look at these phenomenal new offerings below:

Terrific Tastings: **Ritual Reubens** (build-your-own-sandwich) **Sunday, March 14, 2021** 3-4pm on Zoom



Since Zingerman's (one of the US's most famous delis) first opened their doors in 1982, their most popular sandwich has been the Reuben. People line up around the block for the massive sandwich, which has been lauded as one of the best sandwiches available anywhere. Let us deliver a kit of goodies to your doorstep, then join culinary host James Sokol and a special guest on Zoom for a journey "back to the days" of an almost ritual lunch at the local Jewish deli. Since this is a "build-your-own-sandwich" event, feel free to add or leave-off whatever ingredients or amounts you like; make it to your taste!

To "meet" our James and hear about our tasting events, click here. https://vimeo.com/491716649

For details & tickets, click here. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/terrific-tastings-ritual-reubens-tickets-137435466179?aff=JLCToledo

Terrific Tastings: Valley Ford Cheese Sunday, March 21, 2021 6-7:15pm on **Zoom** 



Located on the rural coast of California's Sonoma County, Valley Ford Cheese & Creamery produces award-winning, handcrafted, Italian-style artisan cheeses. Never treated with growth hormones or antibiotics, the cows have access to pasture on certified organic land 365 days a year. Let us deliver a curated cheese collection with a special gift to your doorstep, then join culinary host James Sokol and cheesemaker Karen Bianchi-Moreda for a discussion & guided tasting of her delicious cheeses.

To "meet" our James and hear about our tasting events, click here; https://vimeo.com/491716649

For details & tickets, click here.

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/terrific-tastings-valley-ford-cheese-tickets-137043026381?aff=JLCToledo

Coffee & Schmooze with JLC Tuesday, March 2 11:00 a.m. **Zoom Chat** Registration requested by emailing registration@jewishtoledo.org at

least 2 days prior to the schmooze



No need to fret about missing your friends at the Jewish Living Center ... we're here and bringing the coffee chat to you! How are you feeling? Just want to chat and catch up! Share how you are staying active and busy? Just feel like talking and seeing people that you haven't seen in a bit.... this is an open space to grab a beverage and say hello. We would LOVE to see you, because we miss you!

#### **BINGO** Trivia Tuesday, March 16 2:00 p.m.

Games are played via Zoom – Winner of the most games will win a prize!

Registration requested by emailing registration@jewishtoledo.org at least 2 days prior to BINGO to get the Zoom link



Join your friends at the Jewish Living

Center as we test our skills and match wits in topics from sports to movies to pop culture & history. This BINGO game isn't calling numbers, this is all based on trivia and knowledge about anything and everything. Who can answer the questions the fastest and fill in the block's wins? You have nothing to lose and everything to gain - so come give it a try, you just might like it!

#### Passover Kosher Shopping Drop Off Day Thursday, March 18

It's that time of year again, time to get ready for Passover! We are unable to physically take you up north for our annual shopping trip, but that doesn't mean that we can't ensure that you won't have what you need for the holidays. We will pick up your order that you have placed at Harvard Row and do your grocery shopping at One Stop and deliver them to your porch on Thursday, March 18.



You will need to do the following:

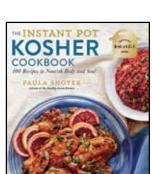
- 1. Place your order with Harvard Row no later than Monday, March 8 by calling 248-539-8806. You will need to tell them that your order will be picked by Rene from Toledo. Pay for your order at the time you place it or on Thursday, March 18 before 10 a.m.
- 2. You can also place a meat order at One Stop by calling the mat 248-569-5000same rules apply as above.
- Call Rene at 419-531-2119 #1 by Monday, March 1 and let her know the following:
  - Where you placed orders at
  - Email her what you ordered at each vendor rene@jewishtoledo.org
  - Include in your email your cell phone number and home address
  - If you want shopping done for you at One Stop, please limit your itemsto what you can't get local. Please email a specific list of items you want. Rene will call you to review the list and go over the payment process for this part of the shopping trip.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to call and talk with Rene.

Women's Event -Honoring the Jewish Women and Beyond Thursday, May 6

7:00 p.m. via Zoom





Paula Shoyer author of The Instant Pot Kosher Cookbook -100 Recipes to Nourish Body and Soul. More details to follow.





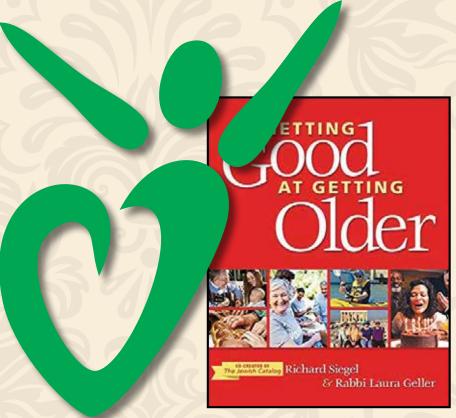


# Active Life for 60 and Better



# A day devoted to learning! Presenting the Presenters

# **Keynote Speaker**





Rabbi Laura Geller

#### Rabbi Laura Geller Getting Good at Getting Older

Just as The Jewish Catalog gave a generation the tools to "take back Judaism from the staid hands of our elders and reshape it for our time," Getting Good at Getting Older gives the "young older" an opportunity to discover in Jewish tradition and culture the tools to bring meaning and purpose to this new stage of life.

Rabbi Laura Geller, Rabbi Emerita of Temple Emanuel of Beverly Hills, twice named one of Newsweek's 50 Most Influential Rabbis in America, was named

by PBS Next Avenue as one of the fifty 2017 Influencers in Aging. She was featured in the PBS documentary "Jewish Americans." Author of numerous articles in books and journals, she was on the editorial board of The Torah: A Women's Commentary. Ordained by Hebrew Union College in 1976, she is the third woman in the Reform Movement to become a rabbi.

# **Active Learners Day 2021**

**Thursday, March 11** 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

\$10 per person includes lunch, featured book, and themed gift tote. To ensure lunch and book, reservations are required by Thursday, March 4 Call Stephanie at 419.531.2119 x2 to make reservation and payment

Come for the speakers and leave with inspiration and tools for aging well. Keynote speaker Rabbi Laura Geller, the author of Getting Good at Getting Older, will give us tools to navigate maturity and relationships. Rabbi Geller, Rabbi Emerita of Temple Emanuel of Beverly Hills, twice named one of Newsweek's 50 Most Influential Rabbis in America, was named by PBS Next Avenue as one of the fifty 2017 Influencers in Aging.

In addition to Rabbi Gellar, we will feature local writer and foodie Mary Bilyeu and Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo's new JCRC Director Daniel Pearlman. Ready to share their knowledge and enthusiasm with our 60 & Better members, Mary will step into the kitchen just in time for Passover and Daniel will speak to his role in the community and how you are vital to its success.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn from local and national experts in the fields of aging, cooking, and Jewish education. You can join us for some speakers or stay all day!



Mary Bilyeu

Mary Bilyeu has been Food Editor at The Blade since February 2014 and was voted "Best Print Journalist" in the Toledo City Paper's annual "Best of Toledo" Awards in 2018. Previously, she was a contributor to the food section of The Ann Arbor News/AnnArbor.com and food editor for the monthly Washtenaw Jewish News. In addition to noshing her way through life, this crazy cat lady (she caters to a baker's dozen) also writes stories about religion, art, language, and other topics of interest.

Mary will step into the kitchen to help us prepare our favorite part of any meal: DESSERT! Her

recipes will be perfect for your Passover meals. Recipes and ingredients will be provided before the program so you can cook along or prepare on your own.



Daniel Pearlman

Pearlman, a native of Cleveland, is the Jewish Community Relations Council Director at the Federation. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan with a B.A. in Political Science and Judaic Studies and a minor in the History of Art. At Michigan, Daniel was a leader in Jewish life on campus through Michigan Hillel, and then became a Campus Coordinator at The David Project, an Israel advocacy organization previously based in Boston. After living in Israel and completing his master's degree in Nonprofit

Management and Leadership from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Daniel moved to Pittsburgh in October 2018, where he was the Programs Manager at Classrooms Without Borders. Daniel has lived in the Toledo area since November 2020.

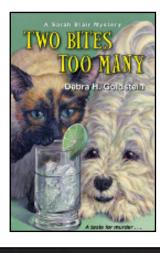
Daniel will be speaking about Jewish community relations and what is the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC). Why do 125 Jewish communities nationwide have a JCRC? And what about Toledo makes the work of a JCRC so critical? In this session, participants will learn about our Jewish Community Relations Council and the Jewish values that drive our mission. Participants will also discuss difficult issues and scenarios that JCRCs confront.

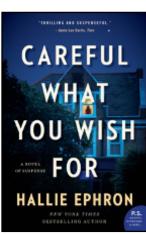


## Local

# Women & Words Event: An Evening of Mystery

On Wednesday, February 10 at 7 p.m. book lovers met to enjoy a presentation and conversation featuring authors Hallie Ephron, Careful What You Wish For and Debra Goldstein, Two Bites Too Many, A Sarah Blair Mystery.











# **Text CAMPAIGN to 44321**



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



Whether you're looking for cross-country travel, cultural immersion, or outdoor adventures, BBYO offers a huge variety of Israel experiences for teens to choose from. And, to help defray the cost, BBYO has a limited number of \$3,000 TRAVEL VOUCHERS open to all Jewish teens in North America to travel to Israel in summer 2021!

- ⇒\$3,000 VOUCHERS
- ⇒MORE PROGRAM CHOICES
- ⇒RISK-FREE REGISTRATION

(through 3/2/21)



www.jewishtoledo.org

# PJ Library









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.

### PJ Playdates... ARE BACK

9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Monday, April 26

Monday, May 10

Gan Yeladim Playground – Please park in Jewish Family Service Parking Lot and enter through fence gate.

FREE – please bring in toilet paper, paper towel, or tissues to donate to the JFS family pantry

For children ages 0 – 2 and their parents, grandparents, nannies and friends. Playtime, craft time, snack and circle time! Meet and make friends with other PJ parents and their kids. Playdates are outside and weather dependent. Please check our Facebook page "JFGT PJ Library & Youth Programming" for updates.

Masks and proper safety protocols will be enforced. Families will be required to complete an on-site health screening and to adhere to appropriate safety measures which includes social distancing and mask wearing for all individuals over the age of two years old. Thank you for helping to keep our community safe.

RSVP by the Friday before to Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@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 supported in part by The Inspiration Fund and Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo.



#### Shema Slumber Party Local Home Delivery on Friday, March 12

Delivery available upon request for families living outside of the metro Toledo area. RSVP by Friday, March 5 at: https://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/shema

Brief and Fun Zoom call Saturday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m. FREE Event open to children 11 and under

Pillowcases, stuffed animals, snacks, stories and snuggles! Join us for a fun filled Shema slumber party!

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



# FREE books and CDs - Are you getting YOURS?

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,

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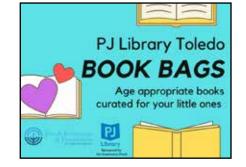
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#### PJ Library book bags available!

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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#### Programs especially for post-college to young families.

For more information about Department of Jewish Programs or to register for virtual events, please contact Hallie@Jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0362.



#### Next JGen Zoom Trivia

Join us for a night of zoom trivia fun! Win prizes and more.

Wednesday, March 10 at 8 p.m. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88446597136 Wednesday, April 21 at 8 p.m. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89967137648

RSVP to Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org

### Let my pizza go!

Kit Pickup – Thursday, April 8 or Friday, April 9. Arrangements will be made individually.

Zoom Call – Saturday, April 10 at 7 p.m. \$5 per kit – Kit will be enough to feed 2-4 people.

Put on your apron and get ready to throw some dough! Have you missed the rise of dough and the taste of soft delicious pizza? Well we have! Move over Passover, we are ready for some pizza! Sign up for a pizza making kit, which will include all the supplies needed to make a delicious pie at home plus some extra goodies.

Sign up at: https://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/letmypizzago

Masks and proper safety protocols will be enforced. Any questions? Contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org





# FAUDA – A chat with stars Doron Ben David & Yaakov Zada Daniel

Tuesday, April 13 5:30 p.m.
Zoom event – Free

Optional vegetarian dinner from Ameera's - \$5 per person RSVP Required by Friday, April 2. Sign up at: https://form.jotform.com/ jewishtoledo/fauda

Any questions? Contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org
Or Daniel Pearlman at daniel@jewishtoledo.org

**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.



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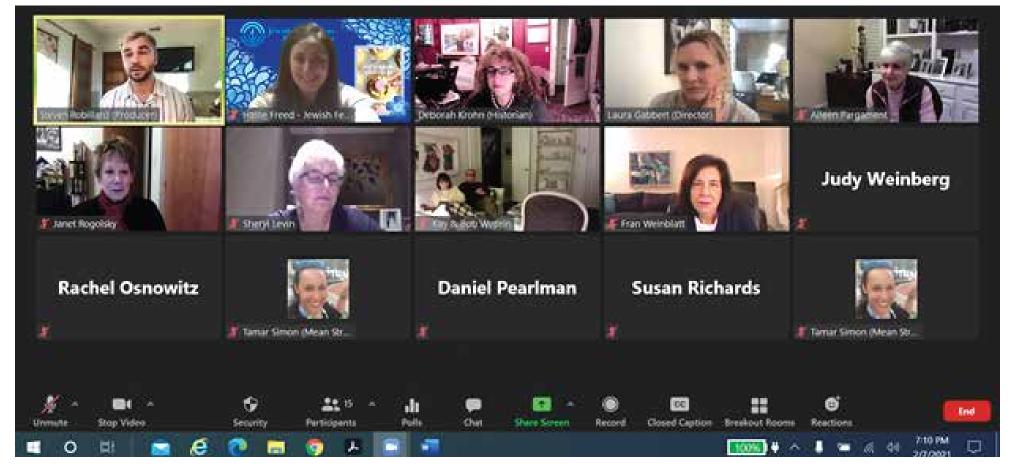


# Local



# OTTOLENGHI AND THE CAKES OF VERSAILLES

On Sunday, February 7 the Toledo Jewish Film Club enjoyed a Cakes of Versailles zoom call with film Director Laura Gabbert and cake demonstration with Toledo baker extraordinaire Deborah Norin-Kuehn.



# In Your Living Room



# The National JCC Literary Consortium presents In Your Living Room

You can easily find these events on JewishToledo.org and just click on the link and it will take you directly to showclix to purchase your tickets!

All books include shipping to the US and Canada only.

Books will be shipped after the event and can take 7 - 10 business days to receive due to Covid-related USPS delays!



Book Fest In Your Living Room Presents Lisa Scottoline, *Eternal: A Novel* 

Sunday, March 21 at 8 p.m.
ZOOM Webinar Author Talk + Q & A
Tickets: \$6 for one virtual ticket or \$36 for one
virtual ticket and copy of the book (includes
shipping to the US and Canada only)

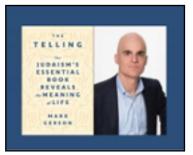
https://www.showclix.com/event/lisa-scottoline-eternal-a-novel/tag/toledo

Eternal is the culmination of a lifetime of work: a sweeping historical epic fueled by devastating true events. Named for Rome, the Eternal City, this moving novel lifted from the pages of history is the book that Scottoline was born to write. It will be forever etched in the hearts and minds of readers, as will the powerful truth it asserts—what war destroys, only love can heal.

Set in Rome during the ventennio, the twenty years of Mussolini's rise and fall, Eternal centers on Elisabetta, Marco, and Sandro, who grew up as the best of friends despite their differences.

Their relationships are changing, as is the world around them. In the autumn of 1937, Mussolini asserts his power, aligning Italy's Fascists with Hitler's Nazis and changing the very laws that govern Rome. The Nazis invade and occupy Rome, perpetrating new atrocities against the city's Jews, culminating in a final, horrific betrayal. Against this backdrop, the intertwined fates of Elisabetta, Marco, Sandro, and their families will be decided. Unfolding over decades, Eternal is a saga of loyalty and loss, family and food, love and hate—all set in one of the world's most beautiful cities at its darkest moment.

**Lisa Scottoline** is the #1 bestselling and Edgar Award—winning author of thirty-three novels. She has over thirty million copies of her books in print in the United States and has been published in thirty-five countries. Scottoline also writes a weekly column with her daughter, Francesca Serritella, for the Philadelphia Inquirer, which have been adapted into a series of memoirs. Visit her at: www.scottoline.com



Book Fest In Your Living Room Presents
Mark Gerson, The Telling: How Judaism's
Essential Book Reveals the Meaning of Life
In Conversation with: Rabbi Brian Glusman,
MJCCA

Suday, March 7 at 4:00 p.m. EST ZOOM Webinar Author Talk + Q & A

Free ticket includes one complimentary copy of the

book with shipping (shipping to the US only)

https://www.showclix.com/event/mark-gerson-the-telling/tag/toledo

#### Life changing wisdom from one of Judaism's most powerful texts.

The Haggadah, which can be found in Jewish homes around the world, has guided Jewish families and friends through Pesach celebrations for millennia. In The Telling: How Judaism's Essential Book Reveals the Meaning of Life, Gerson shows how even the most familiar passages from the Haggadah are sitting on top of buried treasures ready to help us live more meaningful and fulfilling livestoday. The Telling will enable readers to make their Seder the most engaging, inspiring and important night of the year — and to understand how Jewish wisdom can help them to live their happiest, most purposeful and worthwhile lives.

Mark Gerson is the co-founder of Gerson Lehrman Group and several other businesses in New York. He is also the co-founder and Chairman of United Hatzalah, the pioneering crowd-sourced system of volunteer first response that enables Israelis to be treated within the crucial first three minutes following any medical trauma. He is also the co-founder and Chairman of African Mission Healthcare, which supports the work of Christian medical missionaries in Africa. Gerson's articles and essays on subjects ranging from Frank Sinatra to the Biblical Jonah have been published in Commentary, The New Republic, The Wall Street Journal, USA Today and many other publications.



Book Fest In Your Living Room Presents Walter Isaacson, The Code Breaker: Jennifer Doudna, Gene Editing, and the Future of the Human Race

Thursday, March 4 at 8 p.m. ZOOM Webinar Author Talk + Q & A

Tickets: \$11 for one virtual ticket or \$38 for one virtual ticket and copy of the book (includes shipping to the US and Canada only) <a href="https://www.showclix.com/event/walter-isaacson-the-code-breaker/tag/toledo">https://www.showclix.com/event/walter-isaacson-the-code-breaker/tag/toledo</a>

The bestselling author of Leonardo da Vinci and Steve Jobs returns with a gripping account of how Nobel Prize winner Jennifer Doudna and her colleagues launched a revolution that will allow us to cure diseases, fend off viruses, and have healthier babies.

Driven by a passion to understand how nature works and to turn discoveries into inventions, she would help to make one of the most important biological advances the discovery of the structure of DNA. She and her collaborators turned a curiosity of nature into an invention that will transform the human race: an easy-to-use tool that can edit DNA. Known as CRISPR, it opened a brave new world of medical miracles and moral questions.

After helping to discover CRISPR, Doudna became a leader in wrestling with the moral issues that surround the new technology and, with her collaborator Emmanuelle Charpentier, won the Nobel Prize in 2020. Her story is a thrilling detective tale that involves the most profound wonders of nature, from the origins of life to the future of our species.

Walter Isaacson, a professor of history at Tulane, has been CEO of the Aspen Institute, chair of CNN, and editor of Time. He is the author of Leonardo da Vinci; The Innovators; Steve Jobs; Einstein: His Life and Universe; Benjamin Franklin: An American Life; and Kissinger: A Biography, and the coauthor of The Wise Men: Six Friends and the World They Made. Visit him at Isaacson. Tulane.edu.





# Concert Connection



This series is a unique glimpse into the lives of New York actors who are sharing their gift of song and entertainment with us. They come from near and far with amazing stories that make each one of them a star unto themselves. So, come along with us for the journey into the spotlight for just a little song, a little jazz, a little fun and a lot of enjoyment!

Registration is requested for each individual event by emailing registration@jewishtoledo.org for a unique zoom link at least one week before the event.



#### Tuesday, March 9 at 1:00 p.m. Jenna Pastuszek – Get Happy! a cabaret saluting Judy Garland!

Introducing Get Happy! a cabaret saluting Judy Garland- the world's greatest entertainerstarring Jenna Pastuszek and featuring

Broadway's Joshua Zecher-Ross on the keys! This isn't a traditional Judy Garland tribute — there will be no impersonation here. Instead, the cleverly curated playlist of classics and forgotten gems will leave Judy fans and Judy novices alike tapping their feet as Jenna pays homage to one of her favorite divas. Featuring music from The Wizard of Oz, Easter Parade, Judy Live at Carnegie Hall, Judy at The Palace, The Judy Garland Show, and more, you won't want to miss Jenna's spirited celebration of Judy's legacy. "Forget your troubles" and join us for a wonderful time!

Jenna Pastuszek is a performer and teaching artist based out of New York City. She's performed from Maine to Florida, from Cape May, NJ to Breckenridge, CO and is thrilled to be with you virtually today. Select NYC credits: SMILE (Musicals Tonight!), SINGLE (NYMF), THE INCREDIBLE FOX SISTERS (New Ohio Theatre), JOEY & RON (The Player's Theatre), DAYS OF RAGE (GR42). Select Regional Theatre: DINER (Delaware Theatre Company), SIDE SHOW (Media Theatre), BECAUSE OF WINN DIXIE (DTC), THE LAST FIVE YEARS (Eagle Theatre), WINTER WONDERETTES (Walnut Street Theatre), CATCH ME IF YOU CAN (Eagle Theatre), SOUTH PACIFIC (DTC). EVITA (Stage Door Theatre, Carbonell Award Nom. Best Actress). Co-Founder of Innovative Voice Studio. Graduate of NYU Steinhardt & UVA. Thank YOU for continuing to support the arts! www.JennaP.com

Joshua Zecher-Ross has worked on hundreds of productions and concerts in New York and around North America as a pianist, music director, supervisor, conductor, arranger, and electronic music designer. Broadway: Be More Chill (conductor sub). Recently: The Louder We Get directed by Lonny Price at Theatre Calgary and Cheek to Cheek with the Omaha Symphony Orchestra. Joshua is a musical theatre instructor at the NY Film Academy and at Actor Therapy, a cantorial soloist and frequent synagogue musician in the NY area, and he holds a Bachelor of music in vocal performance from the Steinhardt School at New York University.



#### Tuesday, March 23 at 1:00 p.m. Rebbekah Vega-Romero – A Broadway Love Affair

A Broadway Love Affair: Join feisty ingenue Rebbekah Vega-Romero on a journey through the ever-evolving landscape of American Musical Theatre, exploring how the art form that she loves

has defined romance in our culture and in her own life. You will hear a range of tunes, from Golden Age classics by Rodgers and Hammerstein, Bernstein, and Sondheim, up to modern composers like Menken, Ahrens, and Flaherty, and Guettel. The music will make you swoon, and the stories will make you think.

Rebbekah Vega-Romero is an NYC native, a proud member of Actor's Equity, and a triracial Latina bruja. A YoungArts award-winning writer, Rebbekah graduated from Boston University with a Bachelor's in English Literature and Theatre Arts. Rebbekah has a wide-ranging career as an actress, from her "luminous" portrayal of Maria in "West Side Story" at the 5th Avenue Theatre, to her upcoming short film, "The Question," which she also wrote and produced. Her poetry has been featured in The Quaranzine Zine, and in the forthcoming Sixfold. Rebbekah hopes her work will inspire other mixed-race girls to realize that "there's a place for us." Visit her virtually at www.RebbekahVegaRomero.com.



#### Tuesday, April 20 at 1:00 p.m. Gina Morgano – American Songbook

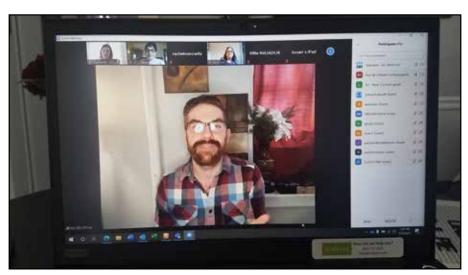
Whisk yourself back in time and feel the heartbeat of the American Songbook. As Gina Morgano shares hits from the Golden Age of Broadway and jazz, you will fall in love with these classic tunes all over again.

Gina helps people to find their voice - both inside and out - so that they can offer their highest creative contributions. As a performer and voice teacher at the

92nd Street Y and the Professional Performing Arts School, Gina and her students have appeared on New York's most prominent stages, such as Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center. Gina believes that curiosity and storytelling are the floodgates to empathy and compassion and that a classic always offers something new.



Pictures from Concert Connection first performance with Rachel Gubow.



Eleven Hours Away Featuring Ron Tal of the all-Yiddish NYC revival of Fiddler on the Roof on Tuesday, Jan. 19

## **Obituaries**



#### Sandra K. (Klamkin) Schocket

Sandy Schocket went to her high school prom with a future world-famous children's book author, chaperoned an eventual U.S. President for a hamburger lunch, wrote and sang parodies of Broadway musicals, danced with a prince in Vienna, was among the first residents of a renowned housing complex, authored three books, rebounded from devastating loss, dined with diplomats, won club tennis tournaments, put on puppet shows with her granddaugh-

ters, charmed her way around the globe, enjoyed a wide vocabulary but didn't understand the concept of "no', and never let an opportunity to tell an anecdote to go

Sandra Irene (Klamkin) Schocket was born in 1936 in Amityville, NY to Ruth and Harry Klamkin, and grew up with them and her younger brother Alan in the mill town of Meriden, CT. She learned piano, and in an early taste of feminism, thrilled to the story of the first woman in her Jewish congregation who dared to sit and pray with the men. Sandy was the life of the party at Camp Reena, where she met dear friends with whom she would reconnect decades later, reminiscing over the musicals they had performed and their adventures with boys. She was no less popular as a cheerleader and salutatorian at Meriden High.

Sandy thrived in the stimulating atmosphere of higher education. She cherished the years she spent as an undrergrad at Mount Holyoke College. There, too, she collected lifelong friends. In 2008, the Mount Holyoke Alumnae Association awarded her its Medal of Honor to recognize her service as alumna class president and decades of fundraising and organizing events, including many she hosted in her own home, eventually establishing a scholarship. After graduation, Sandy ventured for a semester to the University of Vienna, yet again making a lifelong friend. She also earned an M.A. in counseling from Rutgers University.

Sandy loved cities, restaurants, reading, theater and ballet. She was living in Manhattan and working in a corporate personnel department - the beginning of her vocation as acareer counselor - when she agreed to a blind date with a handsome Columbia law student. She and Jay Schocket would be married for 34 years. They lived first in Newark, New Jersey, then moved to West Orange, NJ, with their sons Barry (born in 1964) and Andy (in 1968).

For Sandy, mountains and skiing were nice, but, a lifelong swimmer, she always wanted a views of the water. She found a small house on Lake Mohawk, NJ where the family spent 1970s summers. They eventually settled in her dream home and community in Mountain Lakes, NJ, where she lived for thirty-five years.

Sandy insisted on a career, navigating between job advancement and positions that allowed her to attend after-school basketball games and track meets. She worked for decades as a career counselor at colleges and universities in New Jersey and, for one year, in Boston. She served as President of the Eastern College Personnel Organization, taught courses on career goals at a local community college, and composed free-lance articles in the New York Times and other newspapers. In 1985, Peterson's Guides published her Sumnmer Jobs: Finding Them, Enjoying Them, which sold thousands of copies.

Sandy's lifelong cultivation of independence served her well after the sudden deaths of Jay and Barry in 1994. She wrote a memoir about that experience, My Life Closed Twice, which included advice for others on how to cope with the emotional devastation and practical challenges of surviving multiple losses. Many people would tell her how much the book helped them.

One of Sandy's favorite anecdotes was how, as a 66 year old widow uprooting from a lifetime in the New York area, she was told by a friend, in half serious horror, "No one our age moves to Toledo!" With her first grandchild on the way, to daughter-in-law Deborah and son Andy, professors at Bowling Green State University, Sandy bravely left all she knew to move to Ohio. She became a proud Toledo Museum of Art docent - ever the collector of stories, she wrote a history of the docent program - and a member of Temple Shomer Emunim, delighting in singing in it's choir, Kol Zimrah. She entertained her granddaughters Sophie and Phoebe weekly with rhymes and stories, and took them to Lakeside, Ohio for a few days each summer.

Sandy continued to charm even as she suffered from increasing dementia. In assisted living and then memory care at Ohio Living Swan Creek, she attracted a gentlemen caller and became a staff favorite. Following a catastrophic fall in early February, she entered hospice care. She died peacefully, to songs she had sung in summer camp, with family at her side.

Sandy is survived by her brother Alan in Ashkelon, Israel, and son Andy and daughter-in-law Deborah and granddaughters Sophie and Phoebe, in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Donations may be given in her name to "The Sandra Klamkin Schocket, Class of 1958, Scholarship Fund (EP6281) at Mount Holyoke College (https://www. mtholyoke.edu/go/webgiving).



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# **Temple Shomer Emunim**

#### **March Worship Schedule**

#### Friday, March 5

Shabbat Service at 6:00PM Livestream

Cantor Roher will speak

#### Friday, March 12

Shabbat Service at 6:00PM Shabbat Unplugged Livestream Cantor Roher will speak

#### Friday, March 19

Shabbat Service Begins at 6:00PM Livestream

> Kabbalat Panim Liturgy Rabbi Weinstein will speak

#### Friday, March 26

Shabbat Service at 6:00PM

#### Livestream

**Healing Service** Rabbi Weinstein will speak

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March 16 & 18

March 23 & 25

March 30 & April 1

\*Advanced Registration Required for Zoom link - please contact The Temple to enroll in this class

#### Coffee with the Clergy

Wednesdays, March 17, 24 & 31@ 11AM

#### **Torah Time**

Fridays, March 19 & 26 @ 11AM



#### Shabbat Morning Yoga



Saturday, March 13 at 10:30AM with Cantor Roher & Amy Saltzstein This month we will explore the theme "Warriors for Freedom" in the time leading up to Passover. Come cultivate inner strength as we explore text related to the story of Exodus

Look for the Zoom link and class details in your Temple email the week of the class

#### **Temple Book Club**

The **Temple Book Club** will meet over Zoom on Thursday, March 11, at 11 AM.

> We will be reading **The Searcher** by mystery writer Tana French.

#### March Religious & Hebrew School Schedules

#### **March Religious School**

Sun 7<sup>th</sup>: 9:15-11:30AM Sun 14<sup>th</sup>: No Religious School Sun 21st: 9:15-11:30AM Sun 28<sup>th</sup>: **No Religious School** 

#### **Hebrew School**

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup>: 4:20-6:00PM Wed 10<sup>th</sup>: 4:20-6:00PM Wed 17<sup>th</sup>: 4:20-6:00PM Wed 24<sup>th</sup>: 4:20-6:00PM

# **Congregation B'nai Israel**

Scheduled religious services and events for the month of March may be cancelled, postponed, or have a format change. Please watch your email for udpdates.

#### **CBI PESACH SERVICES SCHEDULE 5781**

All Services will be on Zoom unless specified

Friday, March 26: Pre-Pesach

Morning Service/

Siyyum Bechorim (Fast of the First Born) 9:00 AM

Evening service

Saturday, March 27: Erev Pesach

(1st Seder after dark)

Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 AM

Sunday, March 28: 1st Day Pesach

(2nd Seder after dark)

10:00 AM Service of Reaffirmation

NO Evening service

Monday, March 29: Second Day Pesach

Morning Service Evening service 5:45 PM

Tues.-Fri., March 30-April 2:

**Chol Hamoed Pesach** Evening service Tues.-Fri.

5:45 PM

Thursday, April 1 Morning Service

9:00 AM

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Saturday, April 3: 7th Day Pesach

Shabbat Morning Service

Sunday, April 4: 8th Day Pesach/Yizkor

Morning Service 10:00 AM **Yizkor** 10:45 AM

Passover ends 8:46 PM

If you are interested in selling your Hametz, please find the form in the March Bulletin. If you are from another congregation, contact CBI at 419.517.8400.

CBI S.O.A.P.



Wednesdays at 1:00 PM March 3, 10, 17, 2021

Join us each week for a lively discussion of current events, Jewish history, celebrity and many other fascinating topics of Jewish interest.

A Zoom link, passcode and the topic for discussion will be emailed before the scheduled program.

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#### Saturday Evening, March 13, 2021 8:00 PM via Zoom

CBI Virtual Quiz Night host, Mike Tamor, invites CBI members and Friends of CBI

to form teams of 2-6 people for a fun-filled evening on Zoom.

Captains, round up your best teammates and register your team with names and emails to Mike Tamor at mtamor@bex.net by March 5, 2021. Cost per team is \$18.

THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO ALL LOCAL CONGREGATIONS.

#### Jewish Lives, Jewish Learning: CBI Adult Education Series

#### Student Rabbi, Shoshana Nambi

Shoshana is currently in her third-year of studies at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the Reform movement's seminary and is a Student Rabbi at North Reform Synagogue in Cutchogue, New York. She will share her journey from a small Jewish community in Uganda called the Abayudaya, to her experiences as a rabbinical student.



Sunday, March 21, 2021 10:30 AM via Zoom

# ANNA SOLOMON

### WOMEN OF CBI BOOK CLUB

"The Book of V." by Anna Solomon

Tuesday, March 23, 2021 10:30 AM via Zoom

THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO THE WOMEN

OF ALL LOCAL CONGREGATIONS

Please RSVP to Sharon Stein at sstein100@gmail.com by Wed., March 17, 2021. A Zoom link and passcode will be sent before the scheduled meeting time.

#### David S. Stone Religious School Calendar on Zoom: March 2021

RS 4:15-5:45 PM on Zoom RS (Grades K-7) 9:30-10:10 AM Wednesday Sunday (Grades 8-10) 11AM-12PM Sunday RS (Grades K-7) 9:30-10:10 AM

(Grades 8-10) 11AM-12PM 24 Wednesday RS 4:15-5:45 PM on Zoom 27 Wednesday Saturday

RS (Grades K-7) 9:30-10:10 AM NO Religious School -Sunday 28 Sunday PESACH - 2ND SEDER (Grades 8-10) 11AM-12PM Wednesday RS 4:15-5:45 PM on Zoom 31 Wednesday

RS 4:15-5:45 PM on Zoom

**EREV PESACH - 1ST SEDER** 

NO Religious School

#### MARCH CBI PROGRAMS ARE OPEN TO ALL LOCAL CONGREGATIONS

If you are member of another congregation and would like to attend. please contact the CBI office at 419.517.8400. A link will be emailed before the scheduled meeting time.

# **Congregation Etz Chayim**

#### **PASSOVER**

Unfortunately, the synagogue continues to be closed due to the pandemic. No services will be held. Below are important dates regarding Passover. Please consult the Etz Chayim bulletin for the exact times of these events:

#### **IMPORTANT PASSOVER DATES** & TIMES:

Thursday, March 25 - Search for Chametz

Saturday, March 27 - 1st Seder Sunday, March 28 - 2nd Seder

#### SISTERHOOD NEWS

Everyone is invited to a special Passover recipe sharing zoom program on Tuesday morning, March 2nd at 10:00 a.m. featuring Chef Carol Kamen Pock of Plano, Texas. She will be preparing three recipes: Matza Veggie Quesadillas, Kugel Cupcakes and Passover Upside Down Cake. Please R.S.V.P. to Elsa Leveton at **THE NOTORIOUS RBG** elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org.

Each recipe will be easy to make and can be scaled down for smaller numbers. The recipes will be emailed to registered participants along with the Zoom link and will also be included in the April Hashomer.

On Tuesday, April 20 at 10:00 a.m. Sisterhood will be hosting a Zoom presentation by Sheila Painter titled "Local Women of History". This should be a very interesting look at the influential women in the Toledo area throughout the years. The presentation is open to everyone.

The next Sisterhood Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. All Sisterhood members are invited to attend.

Please contact Elsa Leveton at 419-473-2401 or elsa@ etzchayimtoledo.org to register for the Cooking Demonstration, Sheila Painter's April talk on "Local Women of History", and/ or the next Sisterhood Board meeting

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

If you missed the opportunity to take a virtual tour of this interesting and educational exhibit about the life of the late Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg in November through the Illinois Holocaust Museum, then, due to popular request, here's another chance!

Join others and register for the "Notorious RBG, The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsburg" public tour offered by the Maltz Museum in Cleveland. Our members can register for the public tour to be held on Tuesday, March 16 at 2:00 p.m. Registration and a \$10 fee is required. You can contact either Nancy Jacobson for the link to register or contact the Maltz Museum directly.

The program consists of a live welcome from a museum staff member, a pre-recorded video featuring images and interview clips from the exhibit, and a 15-minute live question and answer session with a docent. The public tour is hosted through Zoom in a webinar format. Guests will ask questions through the Q&A function on Zoom and the moderator will bring the questions to the docent. In total the program runs about an hour.

#### SHABBAT HAGADOL SPEAKER - PETER SILVERMAN

Due to the ongoing pandemic and the fact that Shabbat services are not being held, the usual Shabbat drosha will be a bit different this year. Pete Silverman will be the guest speaker giving

our Shabbat Hagadol lecture this year: "Is Escaping from Slavery all there is to Freedom? - A Pesach Inquiry." The lecture is scheduled for Monday, March 22 at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. Please register with either Nancy Jacobson at Jaco824@bex.net or Elsa Leveton at elsa@etzchayimtoledo.com in order to receive the Zoom link.

#### **GAME NIGHT PLANNED ONLINE**

Let's play Kahoot! This is a fun game to play with friends. How is your knowledge of logos, movies, capital cities and more? Each question plays against time. It is great fun and lots of laughs!! Let's all join together on Sunday, March 7 at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.

#### **MAH JONG ONLINE**

The Sunday Mahj will continue on March 7, March 14, and March 21 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. We will not have mahj on March 28 due to Passover.

PLEASE NOTE: All Zoom and virtual programs require registration. Please contact either Nancy Jacobson at Jaco824@bex.net or Elsa Leveton at 419-473-2401 or elsa@ etzchayimtoledo.org for further information and registration.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Romanoff, III of Sylvania, OH and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Goldhoff of Cincinnati, OH are pleased to announce the marriage of **Olivia Amado Romanoff and Aaron Jordan Goldhoff** which took place on October 10, 2020 in Tucson, AZ. Olivia is a nurse in the Critical Decision Unit at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago, IL and Aaron is an Account Manager with CH Robinson in Chicago, IL. The bride and groom reside in Lincoln Park, IL.

# Toledoan Pamela Schuller is a recipient of The Jewish Education Project's Young Pioneers Award



The Jewish Education Project announced the five New York-based educators to be honored with the organization's Robert M. Sherman Young Pioneers Award for creating exceptional educational experiences for their students and their families during challenging times. Their accomplishments include launching an app to help teens facing mental health challenges, facilitating meaningful conversations about race with students and colleagues, creating

captivating lessons for preschoolers over Zoom, studying current events through the lens of Torah, and extending the length of their program to better accommodate student needs.

The recipients of this year's award are: Pamela Schuller, HereNow/The Jewish Board; DiCo DiColandrea, Congregation Beth Elohim; Melissa Hume, Stephen Wise Free Synagogue Early Childhood Center; Dammara Kovnats Hall, Rodeph Sholom School; Avi Siegel, Temple Israel of Great Neck

"The recpients of the Robert M. Sherman Young Pioneers Award showed deep dedication to their students and colleagues during an incredibly challenging year," said David Bryfman, CEO of The Jewish Education Project. "Their creative thinking and passion for Jewish education helped countless students and families in greater New York City not just survive in 2020, but in many ways thrive through inspiring learning experiences. We are so proud to honor these educators for their outstanding achievements and innovations."

The award recipients will each receive a \$1,000 professional development stipend.

The recipients of the Award will be recognized at The Jewish Education Project's Virtual Benefit, on Monday, March 22, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. ET.

In addition to celebrating the Young Pioneers Award recipients, this year's Jewish Education Project Virtual Benefit will also celebrate all educators for their heroic work over the past year. The Benefit is free and open to all. Learn more about the Benefit at benefit.jewishedproject.org

# B'nai Mitzvah 🔯

### Ve Honor Our B'nai Mitzvah



We are happy to announce that Hannah Ester Chernow will finally be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, March 20, 2021 at Congregation B'nai Israel. This is after her Bat Mitzvah was postponed twice because of the pandemic.

Hannah is the daughter of Rachel and David Chernow, and granddaughter of Judy and David Weinberg of Toledo, Ohio, and Susan and Ronald Chernow of Jupiter, Florida. She is a loving sister to Sophia.

Hannah is an 8th grader at Ottawa Hills Junior High School where she is an A student. She enjoys playing tennis, drawing, playing the saxophone and spending time with her friends (virtually). Hannah is a regular participant in the virtual Shabbat service.

For her mitzvah project, Hannah is observing the commandment Tza'ar Ba'alei Chayim, protecting all animals. By making donations to various organizations including the World Wildlife Fund, the Rainforest Trust, and the Hai-Bar Wildlife Sanctuary in Israel, Hannah is hoping to help prevent many species from disappearing forever. She is asking her friends and family to join in her efforts to make the world a safer place for all animals large and small.

The Chernow and Weinberg families invite the community to celebrate with Hannah on Friday night services via Zoom and Saturday morning via Livestream.



Aidan Mahoney will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah at Congregation B'nai Israel on March 13, 2021. Aidan is the son of Joel and Stephanie Mahoney and brother to Ian and Daniel. He is the grandson of David and Marcia Kaplan and the late Frank and Donna Mahoney.

Aidan is a 7th grade student at Timberstone Junior High. Aidan enjoys playing water polo for Glass City Water Polo and is a member of Boy Scout Troop 154. He also loves to work on cars and

motorcycles with his dad.

Aidan would like to thank Cantor Lichterman for all the support, patience, and preparation for this important day. The Mahoney Family are happy to finally celebrate Aidan's accomplishments with our family and friends.

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We know that there are a lot of things that have had to change this year while we do our part to keep each other safe and healthy. Even though we have gone virtual, our goal of bringing Shabbat to our Jewish community on campus remains the same! Every Friday from January 22 to May 7, we will be offering Shabbat dinner, snacks for the weekend and other goodies to our Hillel students and local alumni -at no cost- to pick up or have delivered to their door.

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