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Swing into the Rhythm

with Jewish Toledo



Community
Big Band Party
With the
Rhythm Society Orchestra

Sunday, March 20
Doors open at 5 p.m.
Dinner at 6 p.m.
Valentine Theatre,
410 Adams St., Toledo

\$18 per person Includes dinner and one drink ticket

Register with one of the following options:

- form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/swing
- Sherry at 419-724-0351 or sherry@jewishtoledo.org

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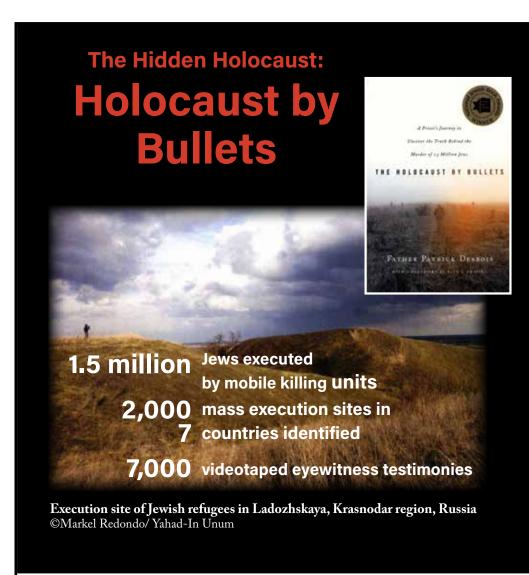
The Hidden Holocaust: Holocaust by Bullets

Lecture
Featuring Renowned Catholic Priest
Father Patrick Desbois

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Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo



Featuring Renowned Catholic Priest

Father Patrick Desbois

Lecture Sunday, April 3, 2022 | 4 p.m. FREE

Franciscan Center of Lourdes University 6832 Convent Blvd., Sylvania



Between 1942 and 1944, more than 1.5 million Jews were massacred when Nazi Germany invaded the Soviet Union. In a period of two and half years, the Nazis killed by mass shootings nearly every Jew in the region. The mass murder was part of the Holocaust, Hitler's genocide of the Jewish People. Until recently, this chapter of Holocaust history, referred to as the "Holocaust by Bullets," was relatively unknown. It is estimated that in a very few years, the remaining witnesses to the Holocaust will be gone.

During his lecture, Father Desbois will review the findings of his decade-long investigation of the war crimes committed by Nazi death squads in Eastern Europe during the "Holocaust by Bullets." He will chronicle the lesser-known side of the Holocaust as he recounts his meetings with thousands of eyewitnesses. He will discuss how he and his organization, **Yahad-In Unum** has identified more than 2000 mass killing sites.

FATHER PATRICK DESBOIS

Roman Catholic Priest, Holocaust Researcher, and Human Rights Advocate

Father Patrick Desbois, founder of the international human rights organization **Yahad-In Unum**, is a prolific author, distinguished Professor at Georgetown University, historian, forensic detective, and world-renowned human-rights activist. He has devoted his life to confronting anti-Semitism and furthering Catholic-Jewish understanding. Since 2001, he has led a truly historic undertaking of identifying and locating undiscovered mass graves of Jews killed during the Holocaust in Eastern Europe.

In less than three years, from June 1941 until the spring of 1944, Nazi mobile killing units massacred well over 1.5 million Jews in Eastern Europe. The Jewish populations of whole villages were slaughtered in hours; entire regions were annihilated in an afternoon.

As distinct from the concentration camps, there were few survivors to tell the world what had happened. Father Desbois and his teams visit small villages across Ukraine, Russia, Poland, and Belarus and interview residents who witnessed the killings. Many of those he interviews have never spoken of the massacres.

His book, The Holocaust by Bullets, documents this work and is the winner of the 2008 National Jewish Book Award.

Father Desbois was awarded the Medal of Valor by the Simon Wiesenthal Center, the Humanitarian Award of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, and Honorary Doctorates from Hebrew University, Bar Ilan University in Israel, and Yeshiva University amongst other honors.

For more information email info@jewishtoledo.org

Sponsored by:







Don't Pass-over this bag!

Sunday, April 10 Kit pickup: 11:30 – 12:30 p.m.

Federation Campus - Gan Yeladim Preschool parking lot (please stay in your car and wait to be assisted)
\$10 per kit - includes quart of kosher matzah ball soup,
matzah, matzah ball mix, and other goodies

Get ready for Passover with your Jewish community! Pick up a kit with supplies to help get your seder table ready: freshly made matzah ball soup from Chef Cari's Kosher catering, matzah, matzah ball mix, and so much more!

Register by Monday, April 4 to:

- form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/passover2022 or
- Sherry Majewski at 419-724-0351 or sherry@jewishtoledo.org

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Nefesh Mountain Community Concert and Party Sunday, May 1

5 p.m.

Congregation Etz Chayim – 3853 Woodley Dr.

\$10 per adult

\$5 per child (6 – 15) FREE - kids 5 and under

Kosher dinner, drinks, bluegrass music, games, and so much more! Join us for a community-wide celebration starring Nefesh Mountain, a bluegrass and old-time band with a Jewish perspective.

This event is for everyone, adults, and children of all ages!

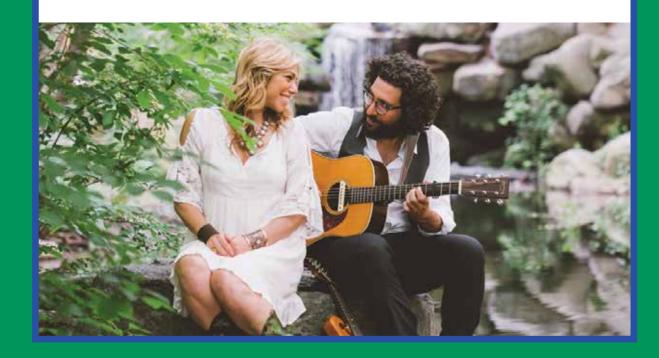
There's more

The first 50 people or households to sign up will receive a FREE "five senses of Israel" kit to celebrate Israel's 74th birthday.

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 offering, pioneering a new world of American culture which blends their deep love for American and Western musical forms with their own cultural backgrounds as Jewish Americans.

RSVP to one of the following:

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- Sherry Majewski, 419-724-0351, sherry@jewishtoledo.org



Toledo Jewish Community Foundation 🍪



Charitable Remainder Trusts

Concerned about inflation and low fixed income returns? Charitably inclined?

A charitable remainder trust may be a good answer.

Whether you are concerned about outliving your retirement assets or supplementing your retirement income, a life income plan can be an attractive solution. One such plan, a charitable remainder trust, allows you to support Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo (JFGT) and receive an income stream in return.



A: You create the charitable remainder trust with Toledo Jewish Community Foundation (TJCF) and fund it with cash, securities, or, in some cases, illiquid assets such as real estate. The trust makes income payments to you and your designated beneficiaries for your lifetime(s) or a set period of years. When the trust term ends, the assets remaining in the trust pass to the TJCF; you also can create a charitable remainder trust with an outside organization for the benefit of JFGT/TJCF.

You can set up an annuity trust, which makes fixed payments to you, or a unitrust, which makes variable payments to you based on the annual value of the trust.

Q: What are my benefits?

A: When you set up a charitable remainder trust with TJCF you may receive:

- Payments for life that may be higher than what you are currently receiving from the donated assets
- An income tax charitable deduction
- Upfront capital gains tax elimination when you give appreciated property
- Professional management of trust assets

Contact Stephen Rothschild, Interim TJCF Director, at 419-724-0372 or stephen@jewishtoledo.org for more information.

Unitrust or annuity trust: Which is best for me? **Funding** Gift Plan Definition **Donor Profile** Benefits Charitable • Fixed income A trust from which Best for those With cash or Remainder seeking to make a you receive fixed • Income tax securities substantial gift Annuity Trust income for life or deduction and receive a • No upfront a term of years fixed income capital gains tax on transfer of assets • Significant gift to JFGT/TJCF in the future • Variable income Charitable A trust from which Best for those With cash, you receive variable Remainder seeking to make a • Income tax securities, or Unitrust income (based on substantial gift and deduction other assets the trust's value each receive additional • No upfront capital year) for life or a income, while also gains tax on term of years benefiting from a transfer of assets hedge fund against • Add gifts to the inflation trust over time • Significant gift to JFGT/TJCF in the future

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo



Matt Kripke, Vice Chair, Toledo Jewish Community Foundation



How long have you lived in Toledo?

Pretty much all of my life (53 years) other than college years and a few years after.

Where are you employed?

Kripke Enterprises. We are recyclers, specializing mainly in aluminum. We also have a coil distribution arm where we supply aluminum coil to the building and construction market.

Are you involved in any other non-profits? If so, which ones

Not currently, in the past, I have served as President of Jewish Family and Social Services (JFSS), been on the board of Congregation B'nai Israel, and have also been very involved in our trade association's board (the Institute of Scrap Recy-

Would you like to mention any awards/recognition you have received?

Proud to be a past recipient of the Harry Levison Young Leadership Award, having followed in my mother's footsteps. My brother and I were inducted into the Sylvania Schools Academic Hall of Fame (when will they finally reach out to Dana, my sister? She is little bitter about this.)

Are you a member of a local synagogue?

Lifelong member of Congregation B'nai Israel

What do you like best about Jewish Toledo?

The welcoming vibe when you are new to town. I also love that, since we are small in numbers, there is only a degree or two of separation.

If you were a superhero, what special power would you like to have?

Either being able to eat unlimited amounts of matzah ball soup or flying. Not sure which.

Joel Beren, Honorary Trustee



How long have you lived in Toledo?

64 years

Where are you employed?

Recently retired!

Are you involved in any other non-profits? If so, which ones

YMCA/JCC of Greater Toledo - Capital Campaign committee; Northwest Ohio Homeowner Development Agency - head of strategic planning and board member

Would you like to mention any awards/recognition you have received?

Trustee for Life - Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo Sylvania Schools Alumni Hall of Fame

Harry Levison Young Leadership Award (JFGT) Twenty under Forty - Leadership Toledo

National Young Leadership Award - Jewish Federations of North America

Trustee of the Year - YMCA/JCC of Greater Toledo

Are you a member of a local synagogue?

Congregation B'nai Israel

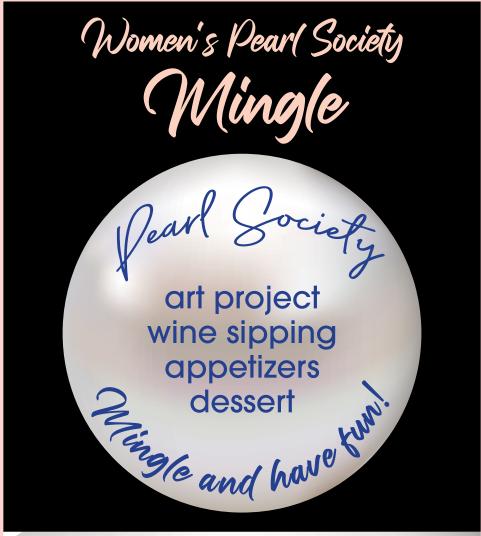
What do you like best about Jewish Toledo?

It is home. It is where I was raised, educated, ran successful businesses, married, raised a family, and learned from two generations of Jewish communal leaders who led out of duty to faith, family, and community without consideration of personal sacrifice or popularity.

If you were a superhero, what special power would you like to have?

There are no superheroes. The most effective leaders are those who do not demand instant recognition or personal gain from their expense of time, treasure, and personal ability on behalf of others.





Saturday, March 12 | 7-9 p.m. **Urban Pine Winerv**

3415 Briarfield Blvd, Maumee, 43537 Cost is \$18 per Pearl Society member

We are glad you are part of our Pearl Society of 184 philanthropic women who gift a minimum of \$180 to the annual campaign!

A pick-up/to-go art kit option is also available to Pearl Society members for \$10 at the Federation offices on Friday, March 11 (ask for Colette). An RSVP is required for all pick-ups.

We require that in-person attendees be vaccinated and masked. Our event is subject to change dependent on local health recommendations.

RSVP and payment are a must by February 28 to Colette at 419-724-0361 or colette@jewishtoledo.org. You may also use our convenient online link form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/pearl

Hope you can join in the fun!

THE PEARL SOCIETY ARE WOMEN PHILANTHROPISTS AT THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF Greater Toledo. These women want to MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN JEWISH LIFE IN TOLEDO, ISRAEL, AND JEWISH COMMUNITIES WORLDWIDE BY FEELING CONNECTED THROUGH NETWORKING, EVENTS, AND PHILANTHROPY. OUR PEARLS JOIN IN SISTERHOOD WITH OUR POMEGRANATES AND LIONS SOCIETIES. PEARL Society is for women who donate a minimum gift OF \$180 TO FEDERATION'S ANNUAL CAMPAIGN. MEMBERS WILL QUALIFY TO PURCHASE A PEARL HAMSA NECKLACE CUSTOM DESIGNED FOR THE PEARL SOCIETY.

> For more information about the Pearl SOCIETY AND CAMPAIGN, PLEASE CONTACT Wendy Goldstein AT 419-724-0360 OR WENDY@ JEWISHTOLEDO.ORG

Jewish Family and Social Services

Visit us online on Facebook

facebook.com/JewishFamilyServiceToledo or at our website at www.jewishtoledo.org/JFS

JFSS staff is here to help!

Perhaps you or a family member are in need of help with senior social services. Maybe you know someone in need of support from a family pantry. Jewish Family and Social Services offers a range of services to benefit our community. JFSS has a knowledgeable and caring staff waiting to help you.

Vice President Senior, Family and Social Services

Ben Malczewski (419) 724-0408

Support Services Coordinator

Liz Witter, LSW (419) 724-0406

JSFSS Office Manager and Program Associate

Hannah Loeser (419) 724-0401

Facility Case Manager & Scholarship Coordinator

Deb Damschroder, M.Ed., LSW, CASP (419) 724-0405

Food Pantry & Engagement Coordinator

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NEW PHONE NUMBER FOR THE JFSS FAMILY PANTRY **Q** 419-376-0175 by appointment only Pantry Staples, Produce, Fresh Fruit & Vegetables, Personal Care, Incontinence/Hygiene Products, Baby Items Contact us today to set up



Now you can use Venmo to make a donation to Federation and pay for programs, classes, and events! **Just send to**

@Toledo-Federation

in your app or on the Venmo website at venmo.com and please make sure to state the purpose of the payment before submitting.



JFS Family Pantry **DONATION WISH LIST**

JFS Family Pantry is always accepting donations of personal care and hygiene products such as: Facial Tissue, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper (individually wrapped/small packages), Hand Sanitizer, Disinfecting Wipes, Liquid Hand Soap, Dish Soap, Deodorant, Disposable Razors, Detergent, Shampoo/Conditioner, Body Soap

To arrange a drop-off time, please contact our office at 419-724-0401.



JEWISH FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICE

IN NEED OF A DELIVERY OF FOOD OR SUPPLIES?

WOULD YOU APPRECIATE A WEEKLY CHECK-IN CALL?



CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 419-724-0401



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

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

For more information about Ahava, please contact Ben Malczewski at ben@jewishtoledo.org or 419-885-2561.

Jewish Family and Social Services

Getting to know you: Jewish Family & Social Services Staff

Jewish Family & Social Services (JF&SS) offers the Toledo Jewish community a broad range of community programming and crucial resources, both virtually and (safely) in person. Led by Ben Malczewski, Vice President Senior, Family and Social Services, JF&SS staff is dedicated to its continued support of the community and its everchanging needs. Toledo Jewish News will be spotlighting members of the JF&SS staff in upcoming issues of the publication.

Hannah Loeser JF&SS Office Manager and Program Associate



Can you describe your main responsibilities at JF&SS?

I oversee the day-to-day office tasks, assist our vice president with anything he may need, schedule appointments, oversee the Food Pantry, and am the first person you will see if you come into the building. Say hello if you ever stop

In what circumstances would you suggest a community member contact vou at work?

If you have any questions, I may be able to help or redirect you to someone else who can. If you need food, I'm your gal. And if you have any donations, feel free to bring them over. Our pantry would love to stock up on personal care items, non-perishable foods, paper products, etc. I also spearhead some of our lovely programs such as "Music in Memory" and "Grandpad."

What are some of your biggest goals or aspirations for your role?

I have been working on trying to revamp the way we intake data, essentially creating an easier form for others to fill out for various reasons (such as visiting the pantry) that can make filing on our end more efficient for everyone involved. Another big thing that we hope to continue to grow, but has already had a lot of success, is expanding the availability of the Food Pantry to those in need. We're letting need drive access, so if people can come in more often than before (and really, whenever they need). The response has been great. January's visits were twice as many as December's, and halfway through February we've already equaled January's numbers. It's awesome to see first-hand how your work helps, and getting immediate positive feedback on an initiative we made to expand services feels really good. It means we're effectively responding to the needs of our community. And that's awesome.

What aspects of the JF&SS mission do you connect with?

A value I have held close to myself and that I try to instill in my life daily is our core belief in doing all things with love. The phrase, "Gemilut Hasadim" translates to "acts of loving-kindness." In a world that can be so harsh, it is our duty to treat others with love, compassion, and dignity.

What led you to this type of work?

I heard of a job opportunity at JFSS through a friend. I had always known about the Federation as a Toledo native, but never considered applying until I was told, "Hey, you might really like this!"

What energizes you at work?

My coworkers, the people I serve, and all the friendly faces I get to see regularly keep me on my toes.

What energizes you outside of work?

I refill my cup by drinking matcha, listening to true crime and supernatural podcasts, spending time with my dogs, and working on new recipes.

What is the most unique part about working for JF&SS?

I personally think that being able to really connect with our community is so cool. I have joined a few organizations that I might not have even considered if it weren't for working here.

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For generations we have asked, "Why is this night different from all other nights?"

It isn't.

Many in our own community are still hungry; many do not have enough food to celebrate Passover in dignity.

Please, won't you help? \$60 provides a traditional seder meal for a family of four.

Ma'os Hittem contributions in any amount are appreciated.

Donate on the web or use the form below. Thank you in advance for caring.



Donating is Easy

- Scan the QR code to DONATE NOW
- Donate online at www.jewishtoledo.org/jfs-
- Complete the form below and MAIL to Jewish Family Service.

Thank you

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Ma'os Hittem, Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo, 6465 Sylvania Ave.,		

Thank you!

Jewish Living Center



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:

Go to jewishtoledo.org/jlc for more great Alliance programs.

Exploring Broadway: Shall We Dance? Four Thursdays, March 3, 10, 24, 31, 2022

4-5:15 p.m. (Zoom)

Visit jewishtoledo.org/jlc for details and direct links to sign up Save! Get "Early Bird" registration before March 1!

Dance became an integral part of musical theater with choreographer Agnes de Mille's groundbreaking "Dream Ballet" in Oklahoma! In the time since, Bennett, Fosse, Robbins, Stroman, Tune, and many others have created magical moments of movement from the intimate expressions of individuals to the energetic showstoppers of group production numbers. Journey with James Sokol through various dance numbers of an array of genres – ballet, jazz, Latin, rock & roll, tap and more – from "Golden Age" classics to contemporary classics. Video performance clips bring these exciting numbers into the discussion. Come for the dances; stay for the fun!

Still Traveling: Venerable Venice – The Heart & the Hidden

Three Mondays, March 7, 14, 21, 2022 2-3:15 p.m (Zoom)

Visit jewishtoledo.org/jlc for details and direct links to sign up

Since her first series on Venice last year, countless guests have asked for more from our terrific, local guide, Laura. This spring, she is back with two new mini-series – one in March, one in April! In this special mini-series, join James Sokol to zoom to Venice for three virtual "trips" with our beloved, professional guide Laura. A native Venetian, Laura provides interesting insights into the heart of the city – the Piazza San Marco – but also into lesser-known, hidden gems: Castello, the Arsenale, and Rialto.

Music & Morsels: "She was a great artist..." Wednesday, March 9, 2022

4-5 p.m (Zoom)

Visit jewishtoledo.org/jlc for details and direct links to sign up Save! Get "Early Bird" pricing before March 7!

Pianist Ian Scarfe will be joined by French violinist Mélanie Clapiès for a program of lyrical and intriguing works by several overlooked composers, each of them female.

The duo will present music by American composer Amy Beach, including her "Romance for Violin and Piano" and by two French composers, Cecile Chaminade and Lili Boulanger, who were among the most talented composers in Paris in the early 20th century. Scarfe and Clapies will share stories about the composers and the history of this music and offer a kind of "listening guide" to the audience to deepen the listening experience.

Songs & Stories: A Tribute to Jerome Kern Wednesday, March 23

4-5 p.m (Zoom)

Visit jewishtoledo.org/jlc for details and direct links to sign up Save! Order before March 21 for "Early Bird" pricing!

Considered the "father of musical theatre," Jewish-American composer Jerome Kern – one of America's greatest and most beloved composers – helped invent the modern stage musical. Still today, Kern's melodies live in our voices and warm our hearts. Join in jazz and cabaret entertainer Gilda Solve's tribute to the man who wrote such timeless, classic, popular songs such as, "The Way You Look Tonight," "Make Believe," "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes," and many others. Guests are welcome to ask questions via the chat throughout the program.

Exploring Broadway: Laughable List Songs

Two Thursdays, April 7 & 14

4-5:15 p.m. (Zoom)

Save! Get "Early Bird" registration before April 5! Go to jewishtoledo.org/jlc for more information and to register

Join James Sokol for this special mini-series focused on "List songs," which are often funny, sometimes even "escalating to absurdity." Other times, they can even be dark and introspective, but always interesting! Audio & video performance clips from musicals of "the Golden Age" to contemporary classics bring the magic of Broadway into our discussion.

Songs & Stories: A Tribute to Oscar Hammerstein Wednesday, April 27

4-5 p.m. (Zoom)

Go to jewishtoledo.org/jlc for more information and to register Save! Order before April 25 for "Early Bird" pricing!

Join jazz & cabaret entertainer Gilda Solve to relive some of the Hammerstein masterpieces, which are among the most beloved musicals of all time including The Sound of Music, South Pacific, Oklahoma, The King and I and more. Find out more about the wonder of the music behind the man. Guests are welcome to ask questions via the chat throughout the program.



Social at Sekach

Tuesday, March 15 11 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

Jewish Family and Social Services, Sekach Building, 6505 Sylvania Ave. No charge (lunch provided)

Meet Ben Malczewski, VP Senior Family and Social Services

Register by Wednesday, March 9 to Sherry Majewski, 419-724-0351 or sherry@jewishtoledo.org





Active Life for 60 and Better

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 28 years. Eileen has degrees in Dance Therapy and Kinesiotherapy. She also has a certification in Corrective Exercise and is licensed to teach Zumba. Eileen stays active by participating in local runs and spending time with her grandchildren.

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

Mondays 9 – 10 a.m. Get Fit Class 11 a.m. Drumming

Wednesdays 9 – 10 a.m. Get Fit Class 11 a.m. Ballet Ball Fusion Fridays 9 – 10 a.m. Zumba





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.

Pacesetter Park Walking Group

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10 – 11 a.m.

Walk socially distanced for 30-40 minutes. Remainder of time spent using your own weights/band to exercise with Eileen. Bring your own water.



Space is Limited. Weather dependent. Need current emergency form on file.

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

2022 CEMETERY CLOSINGS

BETH SHALOM CEMETER

420 Otter Creek Rd. Oregon, Ohio 43616 EAGLE POINT CEMETERY

515 Eagle Point Rd. Rossford, Ohio 43460

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

Cemeteries are closed every Saturday for Shabbat

Jewish Holiday Closing Schedule for 2022

Friday, April 15, 2022	Erev Passover	Close at 4 P.M.
Saturday, April 16, 2022	Passover I	Closed
Sunday, April 17, 2022	Passover II	Closed
Thursday, April 21, 2022	Erev Passover	Close at 4 P.M.
Friday, April 22, 2022	Passover VII	Closed
Saturday, April 23, 2022	Passover VIII	Closed
Saturday, June 4, 2022	Erev Shavuot	Close at 4 P.M.
Sunday, June 5, 2022	Shavuot I	Closed
Monday, June 6, 2022	Shavuot II	Closed
Sunday, September 25, 2022	Erev Rosh Hashana	Close @ 4 P.M.
Monday, September 26, 2022	Rosh Hashana I	Closed
Wednesday, September 27, 2022	Rosh Hashana II	Closed
Tuesday, October 4, 2022	Erev Yom Kippur	Close @ 4 P.M.
Wednesday, October 5, 2022	Yom Kippur	Closed
Sunday, October 9, 2022	Erev Sukkot	Close at 4 P.M.
Monday, October 10, 2022	Sukkot I	Closed
Tuesday, October 11, 2022	Sukkot II	Closed
Sunday, October 16, 2022	Sukkot VII (Hoshana Raba)	Closed
	Erev Shmini Atzeret	Closed
Monday, October 17, 2022	Shmini Atzeret Sukkot VIII)	Closed
Tuesday, October 18, 2022	Simchat Torah	Closed

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Fridays 6:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Family Mitzvah Day Sunday, March 6 11:30 a.m.

Jewish Family Services, 6505 Sylvania Ave Free event, lunch included Please bring soup crackers to donate

It's Mitzvah Day! Help pack "Soups for Seniors" goodie bags. Bags will be filled with soup mugs, instant soup and other goodies to help brighten up and warm the heart and bellies of seniors. After packing, families will be able to deliver bags to senior living facilities or individuals living at their own homes.

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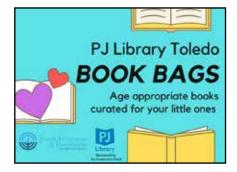
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Jewish Summer Camp Program

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN FOR SUMMER 2022!

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

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

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

Next Jewish Generation

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.

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

For all NJG programming information, visit jewishtoledo.org/nextjewishgeneration.

NJG Sips & Suds



















Ladies Night Out –
Peonies for Passover
Sunday, April 10
6 p.m.
Beautiful Blooms by Jen – 5675 Main St., Sylvania
\$30 per person – includes floral centerpiece,
snacks, and drinks

Join us for an evening of fun as we design a beautiful arrangement for your Passover table. Learn all the tips and techniques of floral design with Beautiful Blooms by Jen.

All materials will be provided to design your own flower arrangement.

Please let us know of any dietary restrictions.

Next JGen 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.



pinion

I'm not OK, neither are you

By Sydney Ungar

The author, Sydney Ungar is the daughter of former Toledoans Daniel and Marci (Katz) Ungar and the granddaughter of Art (z"l) and Jan Katz and Henry (z"l) and Marcia Ungar.

I am a proud Jew and a fervent Zionist. I am a Jewish educator at a local synagogue who regularly and closely follows the news surrounding the Jewish community in the United States and the world. I am a proud Clevelander and Ohioan, and an even prouder American.

I love being an American. I love that I have freedom of speech, I am proud of my public schooling background, and I am thankful to live in a city and a country in which people of many cultures and backgrounds can live together and learn from one another. Recently, however, I have begun to question my American pride. I am deeply concerned about the rise in antisemitism in the United States of America and the lack of action - both physical and in words and thoughts – of my fellow Americans, both Jewish and not. Most concerning to me, however, is the silence within my own community.

Antisemitism rears its ugly head each and every day, whether it makes the news or not.

Shabbat morning of Jan. 15 was no different. I do not need to tell you what happened because you already know. A gunman, whose name does not even deserve to be published, held four Jews hostage for almost 12 hours after posing as a homeless man during Shabbat services. He was demanding the release of a terrorist being held in a prison in Fort Worth, Texas. From the moment I found out about this until I heard that all four individuals had escaped, I sat teary-eyed watching the news (or checking social media when CNN decided that antisemitism wasn't important enough to keep talking about and started broadcasting a documentary about the history of movies). I was deeply troubled by the number of my friends – my Jewish friends – who were posting pictures from their vacations, their afternoon coffees, or their dinners out with friends. I was (and still am) deeply troubled by their silence. These are the same people who posted in solidarity with the Black community after the murder of George Floyd, and the same people who posted in solidarity advocating to #StopAsianHate. But they are

also the same people who stayed silent when Hamas was barraging the state of Israel, our homeland, with rockets this past summer, and the same people who repost things from "Hey Alma," an extremely "woke" Jewish media outlet.

I want to say that it is far beyond my understanding how these people can ignore the news of what is happening to their very own people. But it's not. It isn't "cool" to post #stopantisemitism on social media – it's seen as controversial. Why? Because Jews are seen as having privilege. To the right, we aren't white enough, but to the left, we are too white. And if we are deemed "white," we aren't given space to talk, and our experiences aren't valid.

When I was in college at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, I took a class, "Intergroup Dialogue: Race and Ethnicity." There were about 15 people in my class, and it was quite a diverse group. There were Black people, white people, Asians, and American Indians. We also had two peer facilitators who were fellow students. We did things like "privilege walks" to see who had the most privilege in our class (where I, as a white Jewish girl, ended up having the most privilege of anyone because #JAP), we discussed our backgrounds and ideologies, and facilitated dialogues for other groups of people as well.

When we discussed privilege and oppression, everyone tried to share openly and honestly about their experiences. When it came to my turn, I shared about what it felt like to be Jewish in our world, and that I sometimes would tuck away my Magen David necklace or be fearful due to the fact that I, with brown curly hair and a small stature, look pretty stereotypically Jewish. I was told by my facilitators that this was not what it meant to be oppressed. That my experience as a white Jewish woman in America only meant one thing: privilege. They told me that because I can hide my Judaism, I experience privilege and that I can avoid being oppressed because of it. They also told me that I was privileged because I am white, and they shared something along the lines of, "really, we haven't seen Jewish oppression in so long, because Jews have come so far in America."

This right here is the problem with being Jewish in America; yet again, we are not white enough for the far-right neo-Nazis, but we are

far too white for the "woke people" to acknowledge our oppression. Jews are a minority, and Jews are oppressed. This did not change after Pittsburgh; it has always been the case. It has been the case since my father was told to "Jew someone down" on his first day of work as a 22-year-old in 1982, and it continues to be the case today when four members of our community were held hostage on that Shabbat. Privilege is being free to pray when and how you want without fear of someone terrorizing your place of worship. Privilege is wearing whatever you want when you want, not hiding your religious garb in public. Privilege is not being scapegoated and blamed for the misgivings of others. Privilege is not being stereotyped or satirized in comics and cartoons.

If we are so privileged, why have we seen massive increases in antisemitic hate crimes across the United States as of late? If we are so privileged, why do we receive hate from neo-Nazis, anti-Zionists and Islamist extremists alike? Antisemitism does not exist in a vacuum, and it does not come from only one group or one side of the aisle. It comes in the form of thoughts and beliefs, when people think Jews control the media, for example. It comes in the form of extremism, when Hamas brainwashes Palestinian children into believing that Israel should not exist. It comes in the form of synagogue shootings and hostage situations. But it also comes in the form of silence. The silence is what concerns me the most. And it is not just coming from outside. The own community.

Jewish community – the observant and the secular, and everyone in between) cannot keep living in denial. Antisemitism is a massive problem in our world today, and I am so sick of us skirting around the issue and pretending like it isn't. I do not write this claiming to have the answers to this problem, but I do write this asking you – at the very least – to be concerned.

I work at a synagogue. Every single day when I get out of my car, I look around the parking lot for anything suspicious or unusual. I am genuinely afraid to go into work. But here's what I am really sick of: every day, thousands of Jewish communal professionals get out of

bed and do the exact same thing as me, looking around their parking lots and planning their exit strategy, should they need one, G-d forbid. They are writing grants to increase security measures at our camps and synagogues, in our JCCs and our schools.

But they are also waking up every single day ready to further Jewish peoplehood and help bring our community together. And I am so sick of us working so hard, putting targets on our back by way of our titles, jobs, and places of employment, only to be met with silence. I am sick of people being cowards and not speaking up in the face of antisemitism. I am sick of people reposting things on social media in support of other communities, but staying silent when it comes to supporting our own. I am sick and tired of people in our community not standing up for one another.

Jewish communal professionals are quite literally putting our lives on the line. It is frightening. More than frightening, it is petrifying. It is far beyond my comprehension that I am even sitting here writing this. If you care at all about your community, then show it. It doesn't matter if it's "woke," or "cool," or "goes against progressivism." You are not siding with the right or the left when you show support for your people. You are siding with humanity.

I am not OK. I am afraid for my life, and I am afraid for my community. But you are not OK either, and I implore you to not be silent in the face of that. Do something. This is not a choice silence is coming from within our this is a need. Our community is not OK. Our safety is threatened each We (and by we, I mean the and every day, and it will continue to be threatened until we are no longer apathetic targets who are too afraid or embarrassed to stand up for ourselves. I am not OK – and it's time for you to admit that you aren't

> Sydney Ungar is the youth director at B'nai Jeshurun Congregation in Pepper Pike and the director of The Bridge, which aims to build Jewish community downtown and on the near west side for young Jewish adults in their 20s and 30s.

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Youth



Are you looking to hang out with other Jewish teens? Then B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (BBYO) is for you! BBYO a great way to get to know other teens not only from Toledo, but from all over the United States. It is the leading pluralistic Jewish teen movement aspiring to involve more Jewish teens in more meaningful Jewish experiences. BBYO welcomes Jewish teens of all backgrounds, denominational affiliation, gender, race, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status, including those with a range of intellectual, emotional, and physical abilities.

Locally, we have a boy's and girl's chapter right here in Toledo. Regionally, the Ohio Northern Region also includes Cleveland, Akron, Canton, and Youngstown. BBYO is active in more than 40 regions, in Europe, South Africa, Australia, and North America. The organization has more than 25,000 members and over 250,000 alumni, as well as about 800 volunteer advisors. BBYO connects Jewish youth with their cultural Jewish roots. It is a great platform for delivering fun, meaningful, and affordable experiences that inspire a lasting connection to the Jewish people. There are many leadership opportunities in BBYO to help build confidence, team building, and problem-solving skills, which all provide a great addition to college applications.

Please join us at these upcoming BBYO local event:

Peace, Love & Pottery Painting Party Sunday, March 20 12 – 1:30 p.m. \$10 per person







To register for upcoming events or for more information about BBYO, please contact Jodie Goldstein at jodierochelle@gmail.com or Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org



Jewish Essay Contest: Grades 7-12, with Prizes

Students in grades 7-12 are invited to write and submit essays to the 2021 Kaplun Foundation Essay Contest, which includes a contest for students in grades 7-9 and another for students in grades 10-12. The first place winner in each level is awarded \$1,800 and

the next five winners in each level receive \$500 each. The contest is an opportunity for students to reflect on Jewish heritage and values and to better understand Judaism's contribution to civilization and culture. The Kaplun Foundation believes strongly in the value of this writing process as a way for young people to explore challenging ethical topics. Students living anywhere in the world and of any religion are invited to submit. Entries are due by March 13, 2022.

This year's essay questions, information, rules, and submissions are online at: kaplunfoundation.org

DO YOU KNOW

a young professional or young antrepreneur who deserves to be highlighted in an upcoming issue of Toledo Jewish News?

Contact Paul Causman at 419-724-0318 or paul@JewishToledo.org

Calliva All High School Seniors

Do you plan on attending a college in Northwest Ohio? Then don't miss out on applying for College Scholarships that will help assist your financial needs!



- Do you have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher?
- Are you are a member of the Toledo Jewish Community that lives in Northwest Ohio or Southeast Michigan?
- The Toledo Jewish Community Foundation can help YOU.

For further information on College Scholarships that are available, please contact

Deb Damschroder at 419-724-0405 or Deb@jewishtoledo.org, today!

Local











From the moment they march into Opening Ceremonies with their delegation at the kickoff of JCC Maccabi, teens know they are in for something special.

And they get it. A week filled with competition in a sport they love, the excitement of meeting new friends from all over the world, giving back through community service, and discovering a connection to Israel and the Jewish world unlike anything they've ever experienced before.

This Olympic-style sporting event for Jewish teens ages 13-16 is held every summer. More than 2,000 athletes from delegations across North America, Europe, Latin America, Israel, and beyond, attend the competition. Hosted by communities around the country, they compete in team or individual sports and participate in social activities and social action projects rooted in Jewish values.

The JCC Maccabi Games® are hosted by JCC Association of North America in partnership with Maccabi World Union, Maccabi Canada, and Maccabi USA/Sports for Israel.

As managing partner for JCC Maccabi Games*, JCC Association works closely with the host communities and their local JCCs to develop this transformative Jewish-identity and community-building program.

Program highlights:

- Sports Competition
- Community Service
 Global Jewish Connections
- Hangtime
- Opening Ceremonies
- Evening Events
- 6 Midot (values)
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B'nai Mitzvah

e Honor Our B'nai Mitzvah



Dylan Merer



Dylan and Harris Merer will be called to the Torah as a B'nai Mitzvot on Saturday, March 26, 2022 at Congregation B'nai Israel.

Dylan and Harris are the sons of Ellen Wilensky and Randy Merer and grandson to Martin and Janice Wilensky and Bernie and Trudy Merer.

Dylan and Harris are seventh graders at Perrysburg Junior High School where they are honor students. Both Dylan and Harris enjoy playing hockey in the Bowling Green Youth Hockey Association where they are part of the All Stars Teams. Harris is proficient in violin and is part of the Toledo Youth Symphony Orchestra. Dylan has a love of history and will be participating as part of the Perrysburg Jr. High History Bee Team. In their spare time, Dylan and Harris enjoy spending time with their close circle of friends.

For their Bar Mitzvah projects, both Dylan and Harris will be supporting organizations that help animals. Harris enjoys supporting horses and a friendly donkey named Jack at the Healing Barn in Millbury, Ohio and Dylan will be helping the local humane societies.

Dylan and Harris hope to see family and friends at the Congregation B'nai Israel on March 26. For those who wish to attend remotely, the services will be livestreamed through CBI's website at chitoledo.org.

Simcha



Birth Announcement

Asher Lea Nathaniel was born on January 24, 2022, in Chicago, Illinois to Dr. Jeremy and Stephanie Beren Nathaniel. He is brother of Zoey, grandson of Toledoans Linda and Joel Beren, and great-grandson of Nora Romanoff and Eli Abramson and Nancy and Gary Beren.



Birth Announcement

Aster Free Goldberg was born on February 8, 2022, in Toledo. Aster is the son of Andrea and Adam Goldberg, grandson of Stu and Jo-Jo Goldberg and Shelly and Gary Fruchtman, and great-grandson of Harriet Goldberg and JoAnne Okun.

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Do you have a favorite memory or accomplishment at work that you're most proud of?

One of my favorite memories is the feeling of accomplishment I had when packing up and organizing the baskets we gave out for Rosh Hashanah in 2021 with (former coworker) Micki Pittman. I was brand new and didn't have a lot of guidance yet, and we knocked it out of the park.

What is something a Toledo Jewish News reader may not know about you? My extended family lives in China, so I am looking forward to seeing them again soon (in the future).

What is something you saw recently that made you smile?

I watched a video of a capybara just absolutely LOVING getting scratched! Big giant rodent fan!

What is the best compliment you have ever received?

I've been told to open a restaurant/bakery on more than a few occasions, so maybe one day.

If you could be any fictional character, who would you choose?

My inner child is obsessed with Coraline Jones, so I am going to have to choose her.

What are three words your closest family and friends would use to describe you?

Reliable, compassionate, and funny

What is one of your favorite family traditions?

In my family, we celebrate the Lunar New Year (which just passed) by making lots and lots of dumplings. A very fun time of the year for us.

Temple Shomer Emunim

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

The Mitzvah Meal Menu and Order Form is available on the Temple website at www.templese.com. If you do not receive one via email, please go to the website, or please call the Temple office

February Worship Schedule

Friday, March 4

Shabbat Service at 6PM

Friday, March 11

Shabbat Service at 6PM

Friday, March 18

Shabbat Service at 6PM

Saturday, March 19

Textual study of the Megillah followed by a brief Shabbat Service at 10:30AM

Friday, March 25

Shabbat Service at 6:00PM

Jewish History & Concepts Class with Rabbi Kaufman - Thursdays at 7PM

March 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 April 7, 14, 21 & 28, and May 5, 12 & 19



Shabbat Morning Yoga: Body & Soul Saturday, March 26 @ 10:30AM With Cantor Roher & Amy Nistel

Men's Chavurah

Wednesday, March 23 at 7PM

Save-the-Date! For Camp Kayitz! June 20 - 24, 2022

SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT SERIES

Join us for our March Sunday Afternoon concert, featuring musicians from the BGSU College of Musical Arts, with reception to follow to meet and greet the performers



March 27: An Afternoon of Song, featuring voice students of Metropolitan Opera star Myra Merritt, this performance will feature classic art song, opera arias, and maybe even a little Broadway!

Temple Book Club

Join us Thursday, March 10 @10:30AM to discuss Florence Adler Swims Forever by Rachel Beanland



PJ Havdalah – Fun for Families! Saturday, March 12 5:00-7:00PM

Family Havdalah Service, followed by dinner (pizza & salad) and conversation for the adults and activities & crafts for the kids.

> Ends with dessert! \$15 per family RSVP to by March 9

Purim Extravaganza!!!



Sunday, March 20 10:00AM

- Dress up in your favorite **Purim costume**
- Pre-order your Purim Carnival tickets (5/\$1.00) pick up in the office the morning of the carnival
- Megillah Reading and Costume Parade
- Bring a box of Pasta to donate to the JFS food pantry

Purim Carnival runs from 10:30-11:30!

March Religious School Calendar

9:15AM Religious School Sun March 6 Wed March 9 4:30PM Hebrew School Sun March 13 9:15AM Religious School Wed March16 4:30PM Hebrew School Sun March 20 Purim

Wed March 23 4:30PM Hebrew School Sun March 27 No Religious School Wed March 30 No Hebrew School

Congregation B'nai Israel

CBI in-person services and programs are open to the members of all local congregations if you are FULLY VACCINATED & BOOSTERED.

If you are not a CBI member and would like to attend, please contact the office at 419.517.8400.

Maj & Bridge at CBI

Wednesday, March 2, 2022 12:00 PM In-Person

Join us for a fun afternoon of cards and tiles in the comfort of CBI. Snacks will be provided. RSVP to Kim Brody at kbrody@cbitoledo.org by Monday, February 28, 2022.

Community Family Mitzvah Day

Sunday, March 6, 2022 11:30 AM at Jewish Family Service

Free event, lunch included. Please bring soup crackers to donate. RSVP by Monday, February 28, 2022 to registration@ jewishtoledo.org or call 419.724.0351

David S. Stone Religious School Calendar: March 2022

Wed. 3/2 Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM 3/6 Sun. Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM Wed. 3/9 Sun. 3/13 Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM

NO HS - EREV PURIM Wed. 3/16 - CBI Purim Dinner & Video Shpiel Mash-Up 5:45 PM

Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM 3/20 Sun. Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM Wed. 3/23 Sun. 3/27 NO RS - SPRING BREAK 3/31 NO HS - SPRING BREAK Wed.

WCBI Celebrates

ROSH CHODESH ADAR II & PURIM

Join us for lunch as we welcome back Rabbi Aura Ahuvia who will discuss "Masks: What They Hide, What They Reveal, and What They Say about Us as People, As Women, and As Jews"

Wednesday, March 9, 2022 11:30 AM In-Person & on Zoom

Please RSVP to Miriam Beckerman at mesb@bex.net by Wednesday, March 2, 2022 and indicate if you will be attending in-person or on Zoom. See the Feb. or March bulletin for more details.

Join us for a festive & delicious

CBI PURIM DINNER & VIDEO SHPIEL MASH-UP

Wednesday, March 16, 2022 5:45 AM In-Person & on Zoom

THERE IS NO COST FOR THIS DINNER & **EVENT FOR CBI MEMBERS**

Please RSVP to Kim Brody at kbrody@ cbitoledo.org or call the office by Wednesday, March 9, 2022 and indicate if you will attend in-person or on Zoom. You must be fully vaccinated and boostered to attend in-person.

Weekly Services Schedule

Monday & Thursday Morning Minyan 8:00 AM - In Person/Zoom

Monday ~ Friday Evening Minyan & Kabbalat Shabbat 5:45 PM - Zoom

Saturday Morning Shabbat 9:30 AM - In Person/Live Stream

To view CBI Services on Zoom: To receive the Zoom link and passcode, contact the office at 419.517.8400.

To view CBI Services on Live Stream: Go to cbitoledo.org. Click on the "Live Stream" tab at the top of the page. When the page opens, you will be connected to the CBI Live Stream service.

Directions on how to view on a smart TVs can be found in the CBI bulletin https:// www.cbitoledo.org/monthly-bulletins/

CHAG PURIM SAMEACH!

Purim begins the evening of Wed., March 16, 2022 through Thursday, March 17, 2022

Congregation Etz Chayim

PROGRAM

PURIM BEGINS WEDNESDAY EVENING, MARCH 16 AND CONTINUES THROUGH THURSDAY, MARCH 17.

The synagogue will be celebrating with a delicious Purim breakfast and a joyous and entertaining Seuss-Shan Purim, a wonderful Dr. Seuss Purim Play.

JOIN US AT ETZ CHAYIM FOR THE FESTIVITIES ON PURIM MORNING, THURSDAY, MARCH 17 AT 9:30 a.m.

RSVP BY MONDAY, MARCH 14 BY CALLING ELSA LEVETON AT 419-473-2401 OR BY EMAIL AT ELSA@ ETZCHAYIMTOLEDO.ORG.

HAMANTASCHEN ORDERS FOR PURIM

Congregation Etz Chayim selling kosher/pareve hamantashen for Purim. The available flavors are raspberry, apricot, blueberry, chocolate, prune and poppy. The cost is \$8.00 per dozen. Also available are chocolate dipped raspberry, chocolate dipped apricot and chocolate dipped chocolate. The dipped flavors are \$10.00 per dozen. Please call the office to place an order and make arrangements for pickup.

SHABBAT SERVICES & KIDDUSH MAHJ&POKER GAMES PLANNED **LUNCHEON**

Please join us for in-person Shabbat services led by our Rabbinic intern Jason Mark on Saturday,

PURIM MORNING BREAKFAST & March 19. Services begin at 9:00 a.m. A delicious Kiddush Luncheon will follow services.

MARCH PROGRAMS SCHEDULED

BOWLING - Who likes to BOWL? We will meet at Forest View Lanes in Temperance, Michigan on Sunday, March 27 at 2:00 p.m. Please register by Friday, March 18 if you are interested. The fee is \$13.30 for 2 games and shoes. Come join together for an afternoon of fun and laughs!

CLIMATE CHANGE ZOOM PROGRAM

- There will be a Zoom program on Thursday evening, March 31 at 7:00 p.m. with Steve Roberts and Julie Shapiro, who are very active in the area of climate change. The presentation focuses on the present climate situation, what is being done around the world to combat it, and what individuals can do. Please register with Nancy Jacobson or Elsa Leveton to receive the link.

PLEASE NOTE: All programs require registration and participants must be fully vaccinated and boosted and wear masks to attend in-person activities. Please contact either Nancy Jacobson at nancyrj1985@gmail. com or Elsa Leveton at 419-473-2401 or elsa@ etzchayimtoledo.org for further information and registration.

February has plans for in-person Sunday Poker & Mahj on March 6 and 20th from 10:00 a.m. to Noon. It is never too late if you are interested in

joining either group. Poker players can contact Marc Jacobson at mdjaco@gmail.com and Mahj players can contact Nancy Jacobson at Jaco824@ bex.net. The mahj group will play on-line on Sunday, March 13 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

This year's Purim Shalach Manos Bag fundraising campaign is well underway. This is a wonderful way to fulfill the mitzvah of Mishloach Manot, (or Shalach Manos), giving at least two readyto-eat food items to at least one friend. Many thanks to everyone for their generous donations to Sisterhood's annual Purim project.

Passover will be here before you know it! The first seder is on Friday, April 15. We are looking forward to Sisterhood's in-person Passover Recipe-Sharing Program on Tuesday, March 22 at 11:30 a.m. in the synagogue social hall. The event will feature delicious Passover recipes and tastings from our own kitchen mavens for Baked Gefilte Fish, Sweet & Sour Meatballs, Matzoh Fruit Kugel, and Cranberry Crumb Cake.

Please contact Elsa Leveton at 419-473-2401 or elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org to register for the Recipe-Sharing Program or if you have questions about the Shalach Manos Bag fundraiser.

The next Sisterhood Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 1 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. Please let Elsa Leveton know if you would like to attend.

Chabad House \cdots

PURIM IN NYC! Wednesday, March 16, 2022 8:00pm - Megilla Reading Thursday, March 17, 2022 12:00pm - Megilla Reading & Grand Purim Lunch. Masks required! 5:00pm - Deli Dinner & Street Performer & Megilla Reading & Music. Fun for the whole family! More info: www.ChabadToledo.com



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Safety Tips



Dave Tullis, Jewish Federation Community Asset, Safety and Security Manager helps us stay protected with some valuable safety tips.

PERSONAL SECURITY

Make Life Harder for Criminals

This article is full of tips that can help you avoid becoming a victim of a crime when you are out and about or at work. By taking a few simple precautions, you can reduce the risk to yourself, and discourage those who commit crime.

Be Prepared

- Always be alert and aware of the people around you.
- Educate yourself concerning prevention tactics.
- Be aware of locations and situations which would make you vulnerable to crime, such as alleys and dark parking lots.

Street Precautions

- Be alert to your surroundings and the people around you, especially if you are alone or it is dark.
- Whenever possible, travel with a friend.
- Stay in well-lighted areas as much as possible.
- Walk close to the curb. Avoid doorways, bushes, and alleys where someone could hide.
- Walk confidently, and at a steady pace.
- Make eye contact with people when walking.
- Do not respond to conversation from strangers on the street, continue walking.
- If you carry a purse, hold it securely between your arm and your body.

Car Safety

- Always lock car doors after entering or leaving your car.
- Park in well-lighted areas.
- Have your car keys in your hand so you don't have to linger before entering your car.
- Check the back seat before entering your car.
- If you think you are being followed, drive to a public place.
- If your car breaks down, open the hood, and attach a white cloth to the car antenna. If someone stops to help, stay in the locked car, roll down the window a little and ask them to call a tow service.
- Don't stop to aid motorists stopped on the side of the road. Use your phone and request help for them.

Office Security

- Never leave your purse or billfold in plain view or in the pocket of a jacket hanging on a door.
- Personal property should be marked with your driver's license number.
- Don't leave cash or valuables at the office.
- If you work alone or before/after normal business hours, keep the office door locked.
- If you work late, try to find another worker or a security guard to walk out with you.
- If you are in the elevator with another person, stand near the control panel. If you are attacked, press the alarm and as many of the control buttons as possible.
- Be alert for pickpockets on crowded elevators.
- Report all suspicious people and activities to the proper authorities: office manager, building security, law enforcement.
- Be aware of escape routes for emergencies and post the phone numbers of the police and fire department near telephones. Call 911 if the situation is life-threatening.

If a Crime Occurs - Report It!

Everyone should consider it his/her responsibility to report crime. Many criminals target favorite areas and have predictable methods of operation. When you report all the facts about a crime, it helps the police assign officers in the places where crimes are occurring or where they are most likely to occur.

At least one out of two crimes in the United States goes unreported, either because people don't think law enforcement can do anything about it, or because people don't want to get involved. If you don't report crime, the criminal can continue to operate without interference. In many cases, it is the information provided by victims and witnesses that leads to the arrest of a criminal. So, tell law enforcement as much as you can; no fact is too trivial. They need the eyes and ears of all citizens.







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