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2021 NWOhio Jewish Book Festival

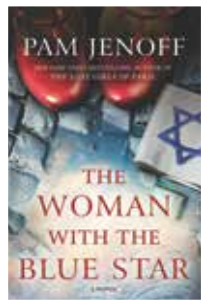


2021 Festival Menu

All featured author books will be available for pre-sale in collaboration with Barnes & Noble Booksellers. Limited books will be available for sale at all in-person events.



Starters



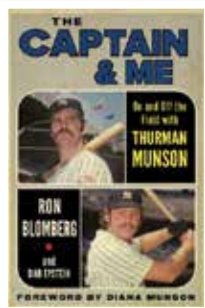
The Woman with the Blue Star
by Pam Jenoff

Monday, November 1 | 7 p.m. (Zoom only)

Free – Zoom *In Your Home* Author Presentation
\$15 – Zoom Author Presentation and paperback book

Ella Stepanek is an affluent Polish girl living a life of relative ease with her stepmother, who has developed close alliances with the occupying Germans. Ella wanders Kraków restlessly. While on an errand in the market, she catches a glimpse of something moving beneath a grate in the street.

Upon closer inspection, she realizes it's a girl hiding.



The Captain & Me... On and Off the Field with Thurman Munson by Dan Epstein

Thursday, November 4 | 7 p.m.

The Back Forty – 5215 Monroe St. -or- Zoom
Free – Zoom *In Your Home* Author Presentation
\$15 – Zoom Author Presentation at The Back Forty – Includes appetizers and cocktails
\$25 – Zoom Author Presentation In Your Home and book
\$35 – Zoom Author Presentation at The Back Forty and Book

The deeply personal story of a friendship between two teammates and of a human bond which ultimately transcends the game itself. As back-to-back No. 1 draft picks for the New York Yankees, Ron Blomberg and Thurman Munson made for an odd couple. Now, over 40 years after Munson's shocking death in a plane crash at age 32, Blomberg opens up to author Dan Epstein about the beloved Yankees captain in an extraordinary memoir, both hilarious and heartbreaking, that reaches far beyond baseball.

Extras



2021 Jewish Book Festival Committee

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JEWISH SENIOR SERVICES
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Entrees



The Last Mona Lisa by Jonathan Santlofer

Tuesday, November 9

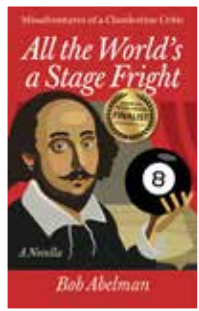
5 – 6 p.m. – Goodie bag pickup in Jewish Federation parking lot

7 p.m. – Zoom author presentation

Free – Zoom author presentation at home
\$15 – Zoom author presentation and book
\$18 – Zoom author presentation and gallery appetizer goodie bag pickup
\$28 – Zoom author presentation, gallery appetizer goodie bag pickup, and book

A gripping novel exploring the secrets of the 1911 theft of the Mona Lisa and the dark underbelly of today's art world. A story of heart-stopping suspense as romantic and sexy as it is terrifying and thrilling.

If you are unable to pick up your goodie bag, delivery is available upon request. Please contact sherry@jewishtoledo.org.



All the World's a Stage Fright

by Bob Abelman

Thursday, November 11 | 12 p.m.

Proof of COVID-19 vaccination required

Congregation Etz Chayim, 3853 Woodley Rd. -or- Zoom

Free – Zoom *In Your Home* Author Presentation

\$10 – Kosher luncheon and author presentation

\$15 – Zoom author presentation and book

\$20 – Kosher luncheon, author presentation, and book

All the World's a Stage Fright is a laugh-out-loud fictional memoir about a clandestine newspaper critic embedded in a professional production of *As You Like It* with the intent of driving up the paper's readership.

Full of twists and turns, endearing characters, and behind-the-curtain action, *All the World's a Stage Fright* is a fun-filled and fast-paced novella. It is written for those who love theater.

This event is supported in part through a generous grant from the Jewish Senior Services Supporting Organization.

Dessert



Now for Something Sweet

by Merelyn Chalmers, Lisa Goldberg, and Natanya Eskin

Monday, November 8 | 7 p.m. (Zoom only)

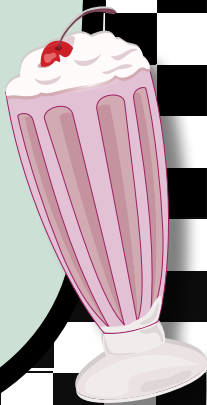
FREE – Zoom *In Your Home* Author Presentation

\$15 – add dessert tasting (delivered to your doorstep)

\$35 – add book

\$45 – add dessert tasting (delivered to your doorstep) and book

After three best-selling cookbooks, the irrepressible Monday Morning Cooking Club returns with a stunning fourth book, a collection of mostly sweet heirloom recipes. *Now for Something Sweet* is an ode to the longstanding tradition of Jewish Sisterhood community cookbooks, part of a genre that food scholars regard as social history. The recipes transport us to Jewish kitchens across time and space.



All children's events:

Sunday, November 7

10 – 11 a.m.

Temple Shomer Emunim

Books will be available for pre-sale purchase only and will be delivered to Sunday School for your child. Authors will be available for book signing after presentations. All author presentations are free. Books are \$15.

Sarah's Solo by Tracy Brown

For children in 2nd grade and younger. Book \$15 - pre-sale only

Summer of Stolen Secrets by Julie Sternberg

For 3rd through 6th graders. Book \$15 - pre-sale only

Whistle – A New Gotham City Hero by E. Lockhart

For children in 7th grade and up. Book \$15 - pre-sale only



Registering for a Book Festival event is easy!



By Phone

Sherry Majewski at 419-724-0351



By Email

registration@jewishtoledo.org



Online

www.jewishtoledo.org



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How to contribute to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo/Toledo Jewish Community Foundation

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

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

Gift Policy Statement Regarding Donations of Stock

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

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

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

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

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

IRA Charitable Rollover Checks

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

Personal Credit Card & Check Payment Deadlines

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

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BOARD
MEMBERS

Each month, Toledo Jewish News will be featuring members of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo (JFGT) Board of Directors. Some of Jewish Toledo's most essential leaders, we would like to highlight them and their roles in shaping the future of our community.

Adam Goldberg, *At Large Member – Two-Year Term*



How long have you lived in Toledo?
33 years

Where are you employed?
I am the co-founder and owner for Gathered Glassblowing Studio, in Downtown Toledo.

What do you like best about Jewish Toledo?
I like that people in Toledo really care about the city. People care to make Toledo, and Jewish Toledo a better place.

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

Julie Romanoff, *At Large Member – One Year Term*



How long have you lived in Toledo?
64 years

Where are you employed?
Retired from non-profit paid employment

Are you involved in any other non-profits? If so, which ones and what roles?
Mostly a financial supporter of many local and national organizations. But will give a shout out to Bittersweet Farms in Whitehouse, as my daughter is a participant in their day services.

Are you a member of a local synagogue?
Temple Shomer Emunim

What do you like best about Jewish Toledo?
It's my history and my home.

If you were a superhero, what special power would you like to have?
The power to make people listen to each other so we can find our commonalities, create compromises, and have a better world for all!




Thank you for powering so many Jewish moments.

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

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

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



2021 Annual Campaign

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Jewish Family and Social Services

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.



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Ahava program
For families of individuals
with special needs

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

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

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


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



‘Heal Us Now’ music video offers inspiration, hope, and celebration

By Abby Hoicowitz

Earlier this year, Jewish Toledo congregated, virtually, to create a music video designed to bring the community together. During this time of social distancing (and very early in the availability of Covid-19 vaccines), dozens of local singers, musicians, and artists of diverse ages, backgrounds, religious denominations, and more collaborated on the “Heal Us Now” project to offer inspiration, hope, celebration, and inclusivity to the beloved Jewish Toledo community and beyond.

Dr. Ken Newbury created and produced the project, inviting the entire community to take part. Approximately 30 people spanning several congregations (as well as unaffiliated) joined the effort, which took place “during a time of tremendous isolation and brought people together with the transformative power of music and prayer,” Dr. Newbury said. Participants “sang into cell phones hoping for something that would connect them to the greater community... experiencing love of community together.”

“It can be very daunting for folks” who may not be technologically savvy, he added, but it was all for the sake of a universal message. “Somehow [all the voices blend] together... The cool part was when folks got to see the final version” and see how their piece added to the whole. There was a “teary-eyed sense of hope [created] from music by our community [and] everyone coming together... My whole life I have worked with people in music and theater and seen the power of what it does.”

The project was made possible through a grant from the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation’s (“TJCF”) Long Term Community Needs Fund. The video has “a healing quality and showcases the strength of our community coming together to offer a message of inspiration,” noted Arleen R. Levine, Director, TJCF. “This beautiful musical piece will forever hold a place in my heart as one of the Foundation’s most special grants. It came to me during a period of personal loss, and it has provided great comfort.”

Mickey Rosenberg, TJCF grants committee chair, said the idea “seemed to be an extraordinarily good fit for what the Foundation



grants committee is all about. During this difficult and restrictive time, when people were not able to share prayer together [as easily], the prevailing feeling of the committee was that [this project] might assist people in sharing feelings, struggles, and emotions of not getting out [of the house] ... There was a spiritual element that many of us felt was missing by not being at synagogue.”

Cayden Greenblatt, 14, Toledo School for the Arts student, stated, “I think that doing this video meant that even though we were all apart because of Covid, we were together.”

Stephen Rothschild, Executive Director, Jewish Federation and Foundation of Greater Toledo, noted, “I enjoyed the chance to participate behind the scenes and as singer with [my wife] Cheryl [Rothschild]. These community projects are what make Jewish Toledo so incredible.”

“I am proud to be part of the creation of this concept for this amazing video,” said Fagie Benstein. “Personally, [it provided] many hours of uplifting comfort.”

Rosenberg highlighted a focus on inclusivity when preparing for the endeavor; he stated that the grants committee was unanimous in doing as much as reasonably possible to offer a resulting video that could reach anyone struggling during this time.

“It occurred to us that there was a way to include the deaf community through sign language,” he said, noting that his daughter, who is deaf, has used sign language her whole life. His wife, Susie, provided an American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation of the music video lyrics. “Susie took the time and effort to be a part of it, and I applaud and thank her. It opened the door for other people, not necessarily just Jewish people, to see [how we can be]

as inclusive as we possibly can.”

Irina Zaurov directed the diverse group of participants, utilizing the help of Cantor Jen Roher, Temple Shomer Emunim, and Cantor Ivor Lichterman, Congregation B’nai Israel.

“I was so thrilled that [Dr. Newbury] offered me [the opportunity] to direct his project,” said Zaurov. “After a very interesting brainstorming session, we started to recruit talented singers from our community. We asked people to learn the song and submit videos of their vocal parts. Cantor Roher was our musical director who worked very hard in helping conduct and merging these vocal performance videos...”

“After a few months of practicing our parts and helping with combining our videos, we finally achieved our goal of this project—to show how we could all come together during a difficult time in the effort to bring the community together through harmony. It was an honor to be a part of this amazing and very important piece. Long after our video’s premiere at Temple Shomer Emunim, Dr. Newbury and I still receive comforting emails thanking us for making this wonderful project.”

Cantor Roher added, “Ken is very interested in the theme of resilience and has been involved in our community in a variety of ways focusing on this theme. He really wanted to do something to help provide comfort to the community during this turbulent and challenging time, and when he asked if I would help him make a music video, I was happy to join the project...”

“Ken found the perfect prayer to fit our goals. ‘Heal Us, Now,’ composed by fellow Cantor (and schoolmate) Leon Sher, has been an anthem for our congregation for over 15 years, since I first introduced

it after learning it from Leon in cantorial school. What made this video especially meaningful was the addition of voices from beyond the Temple choir, all of us coming together to pray together for a better tomorrow. When our community comes together in a meaningful way, we truly can make a difference... I hope the project provided hope, comfort, and healing to all those in need of it in our community and beyond.”

Cantor Lichterman also expressed, “I was thrilled to participate in this most worthwhile project. I was at first skeptical whether it would work, as it required so much technical input, syncing etc. The final result was wonderful, a fine example of the community coming together in a time of need and distress, when our Jewish musical treasure trove can provide so much comfort and inspiration. I commend all who were involved, particularly Ken Newbury for his vision and persistence in bringing this to fruition under difficult circumstances. I look forward to being part of any future musical endeavors by Ken. I highly recommend we do a Havdalah musical project in the future!”

According to Dr. Newbury, he would like the “Heal Us Now” video to be used by organizations such as Jewish Family and Senior Services (“JFSS”) to connect with community members that may be homebound and/or could use a positive message. He is also planning for his next community project.

“This music is so powerful,” he said. “There has always been a plan to do a follow up with a similar project. Hopefully [next time] with people in the same space.”

Rosenberg concluded, “I’m thrilled with the way [the video] turned out... It is very fulfilling to see the faces of people that you know involved in something like that...”

“I find it very comforting, helpful, and calming [to watch the video]. From time to time, I will click it and sit through it and feel better, and I hope other people get the same feeling. It’s a way for us to re-examine our inner selves and, whether we speak about it or not... it’s a touchstone for many people.”

To view the video, visit www.jewishtoledo.org.



Toledo Jewish Community Foundation

Matt Kripke Appointed Foundation Vice-Chairman

By Jessica Endy

When Matt Kripke accepted the role of Vice-Chairman of the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation, three key things inspired his decision: his dedication to Toledo's Jewish community, his commitment to the Foundation's work, and his belief in the importance of communal leadership. "I grew up in Toledo," said Matt. "I didn't learn until high school that most of the men and women I called 'uncle' and 'aunt' weren't even related to me. They were my parents' good Jewish friends. 'It takes a village' holds true for every community, including our Jewish community."

So it's not surprising that Matt and his wife, Jill, wanted to settle in Toledo together and eventually raise their children Sari, Asher and Chase (now 24, 21 and 17, respectively) here. Living in Toledo nearly his entire life has given Matt a bird's-eye view of changes in the local Jewish community through the years. "When I was in my early teens, there were approximately 10,000 Jews in Toledo. The size of our community has significantly diminished since then. It is a concern that while the needs today are quite similar to what they were decades ago, we have fewer people living here who can contribute financially to the community's well-being."

"I am thankful to have the opportunity to ensure the Foundation helps perpetuate Jewish life in Toledo," continued Matt. "It would be especially meaningful if our kids choose to return to Toledo in the future, but I am also happy to further the Foundation's work for everyone who wants to lead a Jewish life in Toledo."

"There is a whole generation of people today in their late sixties, seventies, eighties and up who had



the foresight to build the Foundation into what it is today," said Matt. "They knew our community would have needs far into the future. We're very fortunate that these community members built up such a large endowment. Now, we are charged with determining the best use of these funds."

Matt reinforced that the Foundation is vital to addressing the fact that there are currently fewer Jews living in Toledo who can donate to the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo and other Jewish organizations. "A significant portion of the Federation's annual budget for senior services and other needs come from Foundation funds. In fact, 70% of the Foundation's Donor Advised Fund dollars stay right here in Toledo when donors make advisements."

Matt, who is CEO of Kripke Enterprises, has distinguished himself as a top Jewish communal leader; he has received the 2003 Harry Levison Young Leadership Award, served as President of Jewish Family Service, and dedicated his talent to the

Foundation's Board of Directors and Investment Committee and at Congregation B'nai Israel. He also has held leadership roles with Young Presidents' Organization and the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, and has been a board member of Signature Bank for the past 10 years.

"It is important to both Jill and me to support the local community with our dollars, and with our time," said Matt. "I enjoy sharing a vision

with people and helping people to achieve goals. It's what I love about running a business, and it's what I love about being part of a board like the Foundation's."

"I am so pleased that Matt has agreed to serve as the Foundation's Vice-Chairman," said Dan Steinberg, Foundation Chairman. "He brings a great deal of leadership experience to our community, and to our Foundation. Matt is passionate about supporting the Toledo Jewish community in a strategic, thoughtful way. I am truly looking forward to partnering with Matt in caring for our community through the Foundation."

Arleen R. Levine, Foundation Director, agrees. "Matt's enthusiasm and entrepreneurial spirit will be tremendous assets to the Foundation's work moving forward. We are so fortunate he is committed to sharing his expertise with the Foundation, which will certainly benefit our community far into the future. I'm excited to see the vision that Matt will bring to this role. He has a wonderful ability to engage individuals in dialogue and build consensus around critical issues."

Calling 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!



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- Are you a member of the Toledo Jewish Community that lives in Northwest Ohio or Southeast Michigan?
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Think about the future.
An endowment is forever.



For more information please contact
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Jewish Living Center



**Take & Make it –
Crafting at home
Sunday, November 14
Kit pickup: 1:15 - 2 p.m.**

Federation Campus - Gan Yeladim
Preschool parking lot
\$10 per kit
Delivery available



Pick up all the supplies needed to make your very own mug, Jewish star dish, or menorah.

RSVP by Friday, November 12 to registration@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0351.

Latke Lunch **Save the date
Thursday, December 2
12 p.m.**

Congregation Etz Chayim –
3853 Woodley
\$5 per person – Includes Kosher lunch
by Chef Cari and a Magic Show!
***Proof of Vaccination required to
attend***



****Virtual zoom option available with meal
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Let's celebrate Hanukkah together! Join us
for a delicious kosher lunch and magical
entertainment by Eli.

Cheeky, charming, charismatic, and with
wicked skills that belie his age are just a few of
the ways Eli has been described over the years.
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Wednesday, December 15

4-5 p.m. (Zoom)

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Repeated by Popular Demand!

Exploring Broadway: Fabulous “Fiddler”

Thursday, December 23

4-6 p.m. (Zoom)

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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.



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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
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Kids ONLY – Painting party for Hanukkah

Sunday, November 14
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Jewish Family Service, Sekach Building – 6505 Sylvania Ave
\$10 per child – includes pottery and lunch
Open to all kids Kindergarten – 7th grade

Drop off your kid off (or let us pick them up from Sunday school) and let their imagination run wild! Kids will get to choose their ceramic masterpiece and paint a special gift for Hanukkah that they can keep or give to a special someone.

Lunch will be provided. Please let us know of any dietary restrictions.

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Cooking with Next Gen

We had the perfect amount of cooks in the kitchen recently when Next Jewish Generation met up Foodology to cook a feast of homemade Chinese dishes. Thanks to everyone who came and joined us!



NJG Trivia

Another Next Jewish Generation Trivia Night has come and gone, and while our team didn't win, we learned/remembered a lot about the solar system, which Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle wears a purple headband, and most importantly, ourselves.

If you would like to join NJG for an upcoming program, please visit www.jewishtoledo.org/nextjewishgeneration.



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Jewish Summer Camp Program

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

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

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

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NJG gets Glassy

November 20

8 p.m.

Copper Moon Studios – 8007

Airport Highway

\$25 per person – includes glass mezuzah making, snacks, and drinks



Get excited for a fun night out doing what Toledo does best - get glassy! Participants will make their own glass creation from start to finish.

Copper Moon is one of the largest fusing glass facilities in the state housing 6 kilns and 70+ colors of glass while offering custom designs and fused glass classes for children and adults. Copper Moon has been a local hot spot for funky finds and unique art. The studio features a spacious gallery to showcase the plethora of fused glass design.

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NJG Gives Back

Sunday, December 12

4 - 6 p.m.

Ronald McDonald House – 3883 Monroe St (press “call” button at gate upon arrival to be let in)



Free to attend (please bring a beverage to donate e.g. soda, water, juice, etc.)

Space is limited; advance registration required.

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

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

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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.



HANUKKAH HOEDOWN

Sunday, December 12



Lunch pickup 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Federation Campus - Gan Yeladim Preschool parking lot (please stay in your car and wait to be assisted)

FREE event – Please bring wash cloths, hand towels, baby diapers (any sizes), baby wipes, baby shampoo or body wash, feminine hygiene products, deodorant, body wash, or lotion.

RSVP required by Friday, December 3 at 4 p.m.

Yee haw! We know Hanukkah just ended, but we want to keep the party going... We’re bringing Kosher BBQ to Toledo, and you’re invited! Grab your lasso and sign up today to pick up a delicious pulled brisket or pulled chicken sandwich, rack of ribs, or veggie burger along with some other goodies for a rootin’ tootin’ good time with your Toledo Jewish community. Saddle up and gather round for a real good ol’ time.

Register at one of the following:


- 1) form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/hanukkah2021
- 2) registration@jewishtoledo.org
- 3) Sherry Majewski at 419-724-0351

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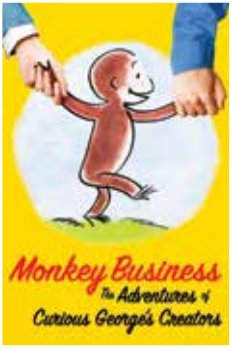



Jewish Community Relations Council


Kristallnacht




Community Commemoration
Sunday, November 14 | 10-11:30 a.m.
Zoom event



A documentary film exploring the extraordinary lives of Hans and Margret Rey, the authors of the beloved Curious George children's books, and their escape from the Nazis.



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Monkey Business, The Adventures of Curious George's Creators

This documentary using interviews, archival footage, and animation tells the story of the extraordinary lives of Hans and Margret Rey, the creators of the beloved Curious George children's series that has sold over 75 million books in more than 25 languages, making Curious George the most popular monkey in the world. Expatriate Germans residing in Paris, a publisher suggested they create a book out of a cartoon Hans had drawn. Being Jews, their life in Paris abruptly came to an end in June, 1940, when they were forced to flee the Nazis riding makeshift bicycles—a manuscript of the first Curious George book and one of the few possessions with them. Eventually arriving in New York via South America as refugees, over the next three decades they created a classic that continues to touch the hearts and minds of children around the world. Film, 80 min

To receive the Zoom link, please call Sherry Majewski at 419-724-0351 or visit <https://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/kristallnacht-2021>



Jewish Community Opinion & Policy Survey

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

All responses will be kept anonymous.

Complete this survey online or request a paper copy by contacting Sally at sally@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0386.

To access online, please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ToledoJCRC>

Questions? Contact Daniel Pearlman, JCRC Director at daniel@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0315.



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Book Festival

'Stage Fright' takes center stage at this year's NWOhio Jewish Book Festival



When a theater critic for a Jewish newspaper in Cleveland takes an acting role in a professional production of "As You Like It" in order to write about the experience, we become privy to one man's personal battle with the Bard.

"An irrational, overriding, mind-numbing fear." That's how Asher Kaufman describes his relationship with Shakespeare.

"Passive-aggressive" is how he describes the classically trained but thin-skinned actors he has recently panned in the press that are now sharing the stage.

"Laugh out loud funny" is what reviewers are saying about Bob Abelman's new behind-the-curtain novella "All The World's A Stage Fright: Misadventures of a Clandestine Critic." Abelman will be talking about his award-winning book (Finalist, The American Fiction Awards) on November 11 at noon at the Northwest Ohio Jewish Book Festival.

Toledo Jewish News caught up with the author to discuss his book, starting with why it is classified as "a fictionalized memoir."

Bob Abelman: This book actually started life as a memoir. I'm a theater critic for the *Cleveland Jewish News* and my editor asked that I "do a Plimpton" – to be an embedded journalist and write some articles about what takes place on the other side of the proscenium arch while in an actual production. I'm a former professional actor, so I auditioned for and got cast in two shows, Shakespeare's "As You Like It" and Isaac Singer's adaptation of "Yentl." I chose "Yentl," largely because there was no iambic pentameter to master. Or lengthy Elizabethan poetry to memorize. Or pumpkin pants and muffin hat to wear.

After the production I decided to turn the articles into a memoir. Three chapters in, I realized that neither the production nor my role in it was interesting enough to justify a book. But what if I had taken that role in "As You Like It?" And so, "All The World's A Stage Fright" takes us on that journey and, because it is fictionalized, I was able to raise the stakes so high that comedy is found on every page.

Toledo Jewish News: So, how much of this book is real?

BA: Nearly everything in the book taps my actual experiences being on stage over the years. As a younger man, I appeared on Broadway and so far off Broadway it was Connecticut. But I've never performed in any Shakespeare play except for "Macbeth" in high school, where I was the no-name third murderer. I was also in a professional production of "The Taming of the Shrew," but only after Cole Porter turned it into the lovable musical, "Kiss Me Kate."

TJN: How long did it take to go from the book's concept to its publication?

BA: The memoir was in a draw for seven years before I picked it up and started turning it into fiction in March 2020. My inspiration was our theaters closing due to the coronavirus, which was not unlike what happened in London between 1603 and 1613, when the Globe Theatre and other playhouses were frequently shut down because of recurring bubonic plague outbreaks. I missed live theater terribly, so I decided to write about it. Shakespeare did some of his best writing in the shadow of that pandemic, so what better time to write a novella that takes place in a Shakespeare play. The book was published in November 2020. I work fast – force of habit as a critic used to tight deadlines. Plus, the book is a novella that clocks in at only 128 pages.

TJN: Why a novella rather than a full-length novel?

BA: Sometimes all you need is a really good laugh and a short respite from the world without making a big commitment.

TJN: What have you learned about yourself while in the process of writing this novella?

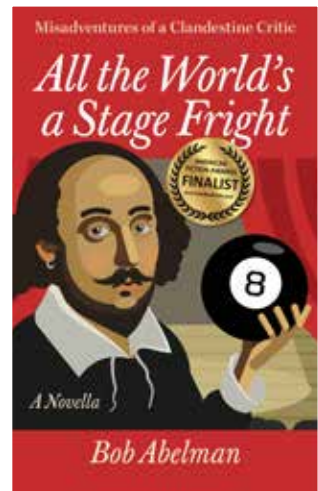
BA: A lot of people feel that they have a book in them, and I learned that I do. Also, I discovered that all those years reading Shakespeare's plays and reviewing productions of them really paid off.

TJN: Are there plans for another publication like this from you in the future?

BA: I just completed a sequel, which should be out in a few months. It picks up where "All the World's a Stage Fright" leaves us and it goes from Shakespeare to Sondheim. I'm a glutton for punishment.

All the World's a Stage Fright: Misadventures of a Clandestine Critic is published by Gray & Company in partnership with the *Cleveland Jewish News*. To register for the NWOhio Jewish Book Festival and buy a book, call 419-724-0361 or go to jotform.com/jewishtoledo/books.

Excerpt from Abelman's *All the World's a Stage Fright*



The new novella "All the World's a Stage Fright," an American Fiction Awards Finalist, and its author Bob Abelman will be featured at noon on November 11 at the Northwest Ohio Jewish Book Festival (see page 2 for details). The book tells the story of a theater critic who – despite a fear of Shakespeare-speak and having to share the stage with actors he's panned in the past – takes an acting role in a professional production of "As You Like It," so he can write about the experience.

To register for the Book Festival and buy a book, call 419-724-0361 or go to jotform.com/jewishtoledo/books.

Following is an excerpt from the first chapter of this laugh-out-loud novella.

3 left 26 near 0 pinch

"All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players."
As You Like It (Act II, Scene VII)

Whenever I look through the press releases sent to me by the city's professional playhouses that announce their roster of new season productions, the former actor in me gets the itch to perform in one of them.

That feeling always fades, like a phantom ache where a surgically removed limb used to be, when I remember that the name Asher Kaufman pays the bills better when in a byline of a *Cleveland Jewish Chronicle* theater review than in the show's playbill. But this time the itch was agitated by Mark, the newspaper's assistant managing editor.

"What if you wrote a series of articles about what takes place while in a production?" he suggested during one of our infrequent and always unproductive meetings about ways to drive up the paper's readership. This one took place over a light snack at Corky & Lenny's, where Mark decided to forego the snack and have the Reuben and fries. "You know," he said loudly, in competition with the lunchtime din of the deli, "do a Plimpton."

George Plimpton was an American journalist who, in 1963, attended the preseason training camp of the Detroit Lions of the National Football League so he could write about it. He was granted permission to run five plays in an intrasquad scrimmage under the pretense of being a backup quarterback. It wasn't much of a pretense. The lanky, Harvard educated 36-year-old lived up to his designated uniform number "0" by losing yardage on each of the snaps he was allowed to take on the field.

The first play was called "3 left 26 near 0 pinch" which was a basic running play. Upon taking the snap, Plimpton promptly bumped into his own offensive guard before being able to give the ball to the running back and fumbled the football for a five-yard loss.

The second play was a pass that ended prematurely when Plimpton took one step back after the ball was snapped and fell down on his own volition, succumbing to the pressure of the moment, gravity and the demons in his head.

During the third play, Plimpton managed to take several steps back but was met by a defensive lineman who beat the fellow assigned to block him. Rather than pancake Plimpton, the 300-pound Roger "Rhinofoot" Brown yanked the football right from the quarterback's soft, shaking, ink-stained fingers and lumbered to the end zone for an easy touchdown. And so on.

Yeah, "do a Plimpton" sounded like a grand idea.

But then Mark reminded me that Plimpton's little excursion into participatory journalism resulted in a series of popular articles in *Sports Illustrated*, the bestselling book "Paper Lion" and a successful movie with Alan Alda playing Plimpton.

I had stopped listening by then because all I heard was "3 left 26 near 0 pinch" and the sound of stampeding rhinos. Now I can't stop wondering who would play me in the movie.

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Temple Shomer Emunim

November Worship Schedule
Friday, November 5
Shabbat Service at 6PM
Led by Rabbi Kaufman
Friday, November 12
Shabbat Service at 6PM
Led by Rabbi Kaufman
Saturday, November 13
Torah Study & Shabbat Service at 10:30AM
Friday, November 19
Shabbat Service at 6PM
Led by Rabbi Kaufman
Saturday, November 13
Tot Shabbat at 10:30AM
Friday, November 26
Shabbat Service at 6:00PM
Led by Dr. Andrew Pelletier

Shabbat Morning Study & Morning Service
Saturday, November 13 @ 10:30AM
We will study Vayeitsei, the portion of the week followed by a brief Shabbat Morning Service, led by Rabbi Kaufman

It's time for Chanukah!!!
Sunday, November 28 @ 5:30PM
1st Night if Chanukah Celebration for Vaccinated Adults Only (18 & Over)
Menorah lighting, Brisket & Latke Dinner, Mah Jongg, Poker, Football!
Minimum of 36 reservations Required. RSVP No Later than Tuesday, November 23
Single \$9 Couple \$18
Nightly Candle Lighting via Zoom 5:30PM
Sunday Nov. 28-Thursday Dec. 2 & Saturday Dec. 4 via Zoom
Friday, Dec. 3 via Livestream & in-person
Friday, December 3 @ 6PM
Shabbat Services, Special Chanukah Musical Program & Take-Home Chanukah Goodie Bags.
Bags must be reserved by November 30!
Sunday, December 5 @ 5-7PM
Family Chanukah Celebration & Dinner
Dinner & Dessert, Songs & Chanukah Carnival for kids, including Bingo, Arts & Crafts & more!
Single \$5 Family \$18
Minimum of 60 reservations by November 30

Gift Of Mindfulness w/ Cantor Roher
Wednesday, November 10 @7PM

Kol Zimrah is Back!
Reunion/Welcoming New Members
Tuesday, November 9 at 7PM
at the Temple

Basics of Judaism with Rabbi Kaufman
Thursdays, November 11 & 18 @7PM
Torah Time with Rabbi Kaufman
Fridays, November 5, 12 & 19
at 11:00AM at Temple or via Zoom

Temple Book Club
Thursday, November 11 at 10:30AM
Nine Perfect Strangers by Liane Moriarty

November Religious School Calendar
Wed. Nov. 3 4:30PM Hebrew School
Sun. Nov. 7 9:15AM Religious School
Wed. Nov. 10 4:30PM Hebrew School
Sun. Nov. 14 9:15AM Religious School
Wed. Nov. 17 4:30PM Hebrew School
Sun. Nov. 21 9:15AM Religious School
Wed. Nov. 24 NO Hebrew School
Sun. Nov. 28 NO Religious School

Congregation B'nai Israel

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



THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER
25TH, 2021

Hazzan Ivor Lichterman & Jan Lacker-Lichterman and family and the officers and staff of Congregation B'nai Israel deeply appreciate our members and friends and wish everyone a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

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:
Watch your email for the link and passcode in the Wednesday e-blast. Contact the office if you have questions at 419.517.8400.

To view CBI Services on Live Stream:
Go to the CBI website, cbitoledo.org. At the top of the home page click on the "Live Stream" tab. 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.

SAVE THE DATE:
WOMEN OF CBI CELEBRATE
Rosh Chodesh Tevet & Hanukkah
Wednesday, December 1, 2021
11:00 AM In-Person at CBI & on Zoom

THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO THE WOMEN OF ALL LOCAL CONGREGATIONS
The cost for this program is \$5.00.
IN-PERSON ATTENDEES MUST BE FULLY VACCINATED & WEAR MASKS
The Tikkun Olam project for this program will benefit the Jewish Family Service Pantry.
Additional details will be included in CBI weekly update emails

HANUKKAH BEGINS ON THE EVENING OF SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021

Hanukkah candles, gelt, menorahs, wrapping paper, and gift items are available for purchase at the CBI Judaica Gift Shop. To see the full Hanukkah gift assortment, please call 419.517.8400 to make an appointment. The gift shop is open during Sunday School hours.



The CBI office will be CLOSED

Thursday Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Day
Friday Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Wknd

David S. Stone Religious School Calendar: November 2021

Wednesday	11/3	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sunday	11/7	Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM • Community Jewish Book Festival • JLI Teen Class 12:00 PM
Wednesday	11/10	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sunday	11/14	Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM • Kristallnacht Community Program
Wednesday	11/17	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sunday	11/21	Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM • JLI Teen Class 12:00 PM
Wednesday	11/24	NO RS - THANKSGIVING BREAK
Sunday	11/28	NO RS - THANKSGIVING BREAK

SAVE THE DATE: JOIN US FOR A FESTIVE Hanukkah Dinner Celebration

Sunday, December 5, 2021
5:00 PM in the CBI Social Hall

There is no cost for this program.
You MUST RSVP by Monday, Nov. 29th to attend.

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



Congregation Etz Chayim

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS & AWARDS LUNCHEON

The synagogue is happy to announce a special Shabbat service and kiddush luncheon on Saturday, November 20th. Following services a delicious luncheon will be served and the new officers and Board of Trustees will be installed.

Steve Marcus and Mel Siegel will be receiving the Harry Levine Service Award for their unending devotion and work for the betterment of Congregation Etz Chayim. In addition, David Black and Charles Wittenberg will be recognized in their positions as Gabbis for all they did to make the High Holiday services run so smoothly.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

The Sisterhood is planning a fall recipe sharing on Tuesday, November 9th at 1:00 p.m. in the Etz Chayim Social Hall. The recipes being shared and taste tested are Cranberry Kugel, Pumpkin Bread, Sweet Potato Casserole and Minestrone Soup. Please call the synagogue office if you plan to attend. A Chanukah luncheon is planned for Sunday, December 5th at 12:30 p.m. Following the luncheon of delicious

Chanukah favorites, including latkes, a variety of games will be played including maj jongg, poker and bingo. Please R.S.V.P. to the synagogue office.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

MAHJ JONG & POKER – The next in-person maj jong game and Poker will take place at the synagogue on Sunday, November 7th from 10:00 a.m. to noon. The games on November 14th and 21st will be online from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

ZOOM PROGRAM AT THE ANU-MUSEUM OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE – Sunday morning, November 14th at 10:30 a.m.

Explore highlights of the spectacular new museum to learn about the unique and ongoing story of the Jewish People. We will make stops on each of 3 expansive floors of the new building, where the diversity of the Jewish world is revealed through extraordinary artifacts, state-of-the-art displays, immersive video and world-class art. Topics include: modern Jewish identity and culture, the historical journey of

the Jewish people from Biblical times to the present, and the foundations of Jewish life.

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

We can meet in the library at the shul to watch or you may watch from the comfort of your own home. Those registered and paid will be sent the link. Please register by November 8th. The fee is \$5.00 per person.

Please register with Nancy Jacobson, jaco824@bex.net or Elsa Leveton, elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org.

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.

Chabad House

Celebrate this CHANUKAH WITH YOUR Chabad of Toledo FAMILY

- NOV 28
4:00 PM

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


- NOV 29
4:30 PM

DOWNTOWN MENORAH LIGHTING
In front of the Government Center. Socially distanced. Latkes, donuts and more.


- DEC 4
7:00 PM

CAR MENORAH PARADE
Share the joy by circling the streets with Menorah-topped cars & music! Latkes, donuts and refreshments will be served.


- NOV 29 - DEC 5

CHANUKAH @ MY NEIGHBORHOOD
Make your own party and have the Chanukah truck come visit you!



The Chanukah events are sponsored in honor of, and with many thanks to Joel and Linda Beren.
FOR MORE DETAILS: WWW.CHABADTOLEDO.COM/CHANUKAH

Biblical Reflections ~ Rabbi Shemtov Lecture Series ~

Finding Yourself in the Stories of Genesis - The Heart of Darkness
November 7th - 10:00 am
Part Two on November 21st

CAFE CHABAD

Movie - November 28 - 10:00 am

*Rabbi Moshe Bryski
Climbing Your Mountain*

SPORTS, CRAFTS, TRIPS
COVID-SAFE (BASED UPON CDC GUIDELINES).
CAMP SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.


Winter Camp
DEC. 20TH - 24TH
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Israel Bonds annual Toledo Community Event



Israel Bonds Cleveland will hold its annual Toledo Community Event virtually on Wednesday, November 17 at 7:00 pm. Guest speaker is Tammy Ben-Haim, Minister for Public Diplomacy at the Embassy of Israel in Washington. A career diplomat, Ben-Haim spent more than 17 years in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and over 20 years in civil service. With a change in American leadership and Israeli leadership, Ben-Haim will convey her unique perspective on current affairs.

“We are privileged to host Minister Ben-Haim in the Toledo Jewish community,” stated Paul D. Goldner, Israel Bonds Toledo Campaign Chair. “With the rise in global anti-Semitism, now is the time for supporters of Israel to take affirmative action, including participation in the Israel Bonds campaign. Israel bonds have been vital to Israel’s economy for 70 years.”

Ben-Haim represented the embassy when it recently held a symposium on the role women are playing in the peace agreements known as the Abraham Accords. In addition to Ben-Haim, participants included female diplomats from Bahrain, the UAE, Morocco, and the United States.

At the Ministry in Jerusalem, Ben-Haim worked on both the Central and South Asia desks. She also served as Deputy Chief of Mission in Athens, Greece and as Counselor for Internal Politics in New Delhi, India.

Ben-Haim served in the IDF as an operations officer for the air force and concluded her service with the rank of lieutenant. She has a Master’s Degree in International Relations from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

Advance registration is required. For more information contact the Israel Bonds office at 800-752-5667 or cleveland@israelbonds.com.

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

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

What will this information be used for?

We want to stay ahead of the community needs and interests.

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

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

Hurry! Complete your form by December 1 and your household will be entered, free of charge, into drawings to win one of six valuable gift certificates.

Share your “jewels” of information and you might be dazzled with a generous gift certificate from Harold Jaffe Jewelers or Jeffrey Mann Jewelers. They have graciously donated 6 gift certificates, two (2) valued at \$500 and four (4) at \$250, to be redeemed at their fine jewelry stores!

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

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

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