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## SAVE THE DATE:

### Sunday, December 18th

## Shine a Light on Antisemitism event

More information coming soon. For questions, please contact Daniel Pearlman, JCRC Director, at [daniel@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:daniel@jewishtoledo.org) or 419-724-0315.

Shine a Light on Antisemitism is funded through the generosity of the Stu and Jo-Jo Goldberg Donor Advised Fund of the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation.

## Kristallnacht Commemoration 2022

### Voyage of the SS St. Louis



# The Trial of Franklin D. Roosevelt

By Robert M. Krakow

Sunday, November 6  
4:30 p.m.  
McQuade Auditorium,  
The University of Toledo  
Law Center  
1825 W. Rocket Dr.  
**FREE and open to the public**

## The Trial of FDR

Commemoration of the 84th Anniversary of Kristallnacht

A live docudrama presentation about the voyage of the SS St. Louis and FDR's decision to refuse it asylum in the US.

*The Trial of FDR* is a live docudrama stage play dramatizing the controversy surrounding the voyage of the SS St. Louis, a ship carrying 937 Jewish refugees fleeing Nazi Germany motivated by the ever-increasing Nazi campaign against the Jews culminating in the events of Kristallnacht. The ship was turned away first by Cuba and then by the U.S., thus forced to return to Europe where ultimately over 200 of its passengers perished in the Holocaust. This play considers the terrible impact of the decision to deny asylum to these desperate refugees. It is written and directed by Robert M. Krakow, an attorney, playwright, and documentarian.

Kristallnacht – the Night of Broken Glass – commemorates when Nazis rampaged throughout Germany destroying synagogues, murdering over 100 innocent people, vandalizing Jewish businesses, and seizing 30,000 Jewish men who were taken to concentration camps, with little or no response from the world, demonstrating to Hitler that he was free to proceed with his nefarious plans against the Jewish people. The Roosevelt Administration’s handling of the Holocaust Jewish refugee issue has been a hotly debated topic for decades. No single event has had more influence on this debate than the ill-fated Voyage of the SS St. Louis. This unique docudrama puts President Roosevelt on trial for the decision to refuse US entry to the asylum-seeking passengers.



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# Jewish Federation and Foundation of Greater Toledo

Please join us Monday, November 7  
for an interactive luncheon with our Israeli and Arab sisters from Akko.

## Women Leading a Dialogue: A multi-cultural women's empowerment program

In collaboration with the Young Adults Centers of Akko and the Match Asher Regional Council, Partnership2Gether Western Galilee has joined a group of Arab and Jewish women from Akko and Match Asher (ranging in age from 30-55) to start a dialogue.

The group is designed to find mutual ground and strengthen the bond between Arab and Jewish women from the Western Galilee, exposing and involving our partnered communities to the complexity and diversity of the Western Galilee region.

The women, with the help of a professional facilitator, discuss mutual issues per-

taining to their lives as women and mothers in Israel and in the Western Galilee. They meet, learn about each other, go on field trips, celebrate special holidays together, and more. While strengthening their bonds, they also enhance their leadership, project building, and development skills.

As part of this collaboration, the group visits Jewish communities in the United States, meeting with a variety of audiences. They attend synagogue, church, and mosque services, aiming to inspire attendees to form their own dialogue groups.

Monday, November 7 | 12 – 2 p.m.  
Temple Shomer Emunim  
No cost

All women who contribute to the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo annual campaign are welcome to attend.  
Please RSVP by November 1 to Sherry Majewski at 419-724-0351 or [form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/partnership](http://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/partnership).  
Women Leading a Dialogue programs are funded through the generosity of the Susan & Steven Kaufman and Levine Family Philanthropic Funds of the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation.



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# Kanye West’s vow to ‘go death con 3’ on Jews and his antisemitism controversy, explained

Philissa Cramer, Ron Kampeas

(JTA) — It started with a shirt and ended in a conflagration over antisemitism and Republican politics.

Such is the extended news cycle over multiple antisemitic comments during the last week by Kanye West, the artist and provocateur who prefers to go by Ye. On Tucker Carlson’s Fox News show, Instagram and Twitter, West made a string of comments reflecting a range of antisemitic tropes and conspiracy theories.

The spree culminated with West’s vow to “go death con 3 ON JEWISH PEOPLE.”

DEFCON is an acronym that refers to the state of alert of America’s militaries; “death con 3” appears to be a muddled use of that term. Still, it conveyed a clear violence to many who saw it.

Twitter removed that post, saying it violated the company’s policies, but not before it was shared widely by Jews and others alarmed by West’s behavior. The response has become something of a Rorschach test for American Jewish anxieties. Is antisemitism tolerated or sufficiently condemned? Has the vaunted historical relationship between Blacks and Jews frayed beyond repair? And why are Carlson and other prominent conservatives standing by West?

The last question has only grown more pointed in the last 24 hours, as footage leaked showing that West had made other antisemitic comments on Carlson’s show that did not air and as Orthodox Jews, who are more likely to be politically conservative, began re-engaging after the two-day Sukkot holiday that overlapped with the peak controversy.

“Back from the Jewish holiday now,” right-wing pundit Ben Shapiro, an Orthodox Jew, wrote early Wednesday morning on Twitter. “As usual, two things can be true at once: Kanye’s moves toward pro-life, faith, and family conservatism are encouraging; his ‘death con 3’ posts and Black Hebrew Israelite language are clearly anti-Semitic and disturbing.”

For Jews emerging from their sukkahs, or who just want to understand this fast-moving saga, here’s a recap of YeGate, so far.

A string of provocations culminated in West’s vow to go “death con 3 on JEWISH PEOPLE.”

West has a long track record of provocations, as well as a history of bipolar disorder that he has said causes him to become paranoid. (He has also said it is “dismissive” to question whether he has stopped taking his medication whenever he “speaks up.”) But the current moment began with a shirt.

In Paris last week to showcase a fashion collection he designed, West wore a “White Lives Matter” jacket, a dig at the Black Lives Matter movement and a reflection of his long-standing conservative politics. (The Anti-Defamation League, the Jewish

civil rights group, says “White Lives Matter” is “a white supremacist phrase.”) The shirt elicited revulsion by many in the fashion world — and embrace from political conservatives who cherish West as an authentic Black voice who shares their values.

On Thursday, Carlson brought West onto his show, where he praised West as advancing “obviously true” ideas. When their wide-ranging conversation touched on the Abraham Accords, which the Trump administration brokered between Israel and Arab countries, West said he thought Jared Kushner was motivated only by profit. “I just think it was to make money,” he said, in a comment that echoed antisemitic tropes about Jewish greed.

Then, on Friday, West posted snapshots of a text conversation he said he had with Sean Combs, the rapper also known as Puff Daddy and Diddy. After Combs urged West to stop promoting the shirt, West responded, “Ima use you as an example to show the Jewish people that told you to call me that no one can threaten or influence me.” Shortly afterward, the post — which West had captioned “Jesus is Jew” and which harkened to antisemitic conspiracy theories about invisible Jewish control — was deleted, and Meta, Instagram’s parent company, said it had removed content that violated its policies.

West switched to Twitter, where he had been less active. Elon Musk, the serial entrepreneur and self-proclaimed free-speech absolutist who is in the process of buying the social media platform, welcomed him publicly. West first tweeted criticism of Meta’s Jewish founder, Mark Zuckerberg, then followed up by saying, “Who do you think created cancel culture?” Yair Rosenberg, in The Atlantic, in a newsletter devoted to analyzing West’s antisemitism, wrote “He presumably did not mean the Mormons.”

It was on Twitter where, early Sunday morning, West posted the unambiguous message heard around the world.

“I’m a bit sleepy tonight but when I wake up I’m going death con 3 on JEWISH PEOPLE,” he wrote.

“The funny thing is I actually can’t be Anti Semitic because black people are actually Jew also,” West added, appearing to allude to a belief core to the diverse Hebrew Israelite movement. He then returned to the idea of Jewish control: “You guys have toyed with me and tried to black ball anyone whoever opposes your agenda.”

Within hours of West’s post, the tweet was no longer accessible. Instead, it was replaced with a notice reading, “This Tweet violated the Twitter rules.”

Criticism of West’s antisemitic comments has come from many corners.

“The holiest day in Judaism was last week. Words matter. A threat to Jewish people ended once in a genocide. Your words hurt and incite violence. You are a father. Please stop.”

That was one of the earliest celebrity

responses to West’s “death con 3” tweet, coming just hours after the post itself. It was by actress Jamie Lee Curtis, who has been involved in restoring the synagogue in her Jewish grandparents’ Hungarian hometown and later said she cried upon reading West’s “abhorrent” tweet.

Countless people issued similar statements. “Whether or not Kanye West is mentally ill, there’s no question he is a bigot,” the Jewish “Friends” actor David Schwimmer wrote in an Instagram post that went viral. “His hate speech calls for violence against Jews.”

The celebrity posts followed statements from Jewish groups, including the American Jewish Committee and the ADL, condemning West’s comments before and during the Carlson interview.

“Kanye West has more twitter followers than there [are] Jews in the world,” tweeted Carly Pildis, the director of community engagement at the Anti-Defamation League, on Sunday, in a post that was shared thousands of times. “There are an estimated 14.8 million Jews and he has over 30 million followers. American Jews are experiencing a historic rise in antisemitic incidents. His actions are extremely dangerous and must be called out.”

The episode has been particularly hurtful for Black Jews, some of whom say they struggle to be heard when they push back against that common perception, reinforced by West’s comments, that Black and Jewish identities are mutually exclusive. “Black Jews have our own story to tell. We don’t need him to say a word,” tweeted Michael Twitty, the author of “Koshersoul: The Faith and Food Journey of an African American Jew.”

While some Jews, including the comedian Sarah Silverman, fretted about whether non-Jews cared about West’s antisemitic comments, it’s clear that criticism of him has come from a diverse swath of people, including the New York Democratic politicians Ritchie Torres and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio Cortez, journalist Dan Rather and the Black novelist Brandon Taylor.

“It does not matter if #KanyeWest is mentally ill, a morally well society defends #Jews from #Antisemitic threats,” tweeted Cornell Williams Brooks, a Harvard Kennedy School professor and former president of the NAACP, in one representative example. “Whether somebody’s sick or sane does not make Antisemitism less lethal. Physical attacks often follow verbal assaults. #WordsMatter.”

But conservatives have mostly stood by West throughout.

One set of people appeared to be standing by West after his Carlson interview and the subsequent criticism: right-wing Republicans who have long seen West as an ideological ally. The “death con 3” tweet put them in an awkward position.

Since at least 2016, West has demonstrated a growing relationship with America’s Christian Right. That year, he told a concert audience that he would have voted for Donald Trump for president if he voted, saying that he appreciated Trump’s “futuristic” way of speaking. He met with Trump shortly after Trump was elected, then endorsed him publicly in 2018. That fall, he wore a “Make America Great Again” hat to perform on “Saturday Night Live,” where he delivered a pro-Trump speech that never aired, making him a darling in an emerging discourse around “cancel culture” in which conservatives allege that their views are not permitted.

In 2020, he semi-announced his own presidential candidacy, offering up a platform in an interview where he frequently referenced his belief in God as an animating idea for his politics. (He also expressed concern about needing to combat the effects of the Devil.) To the extent that the campaign ever existed, it was supported by Republican operatives and seen as a potential spoiler effort aimed at helping Trump’s reelection campaign; at one point, West met with Kushner in Colorado and said the two were speaking “almost daily.”

On his show last week, Carlson praised West as a “kind of Christian evangelist” and urged viewers not to discount his ideas as the thinking of someone with mental illness.

Amid the backlash after the interview aired, some conservatives who had previously championed West rejected his comments about Jews. But many remained silent, and others pressed forward with their praise, suggesting that they are at best unbothered by West’s antisemitic comments.

“It’s like you cannot even say the word ‘Jewish’ without people getting upset,” Candace Owens, the Black conservative influencer who wore a “White Lives Matter” jacket alongside West in Paris, said in West’s defense. Owens is employed by Shapiro’s media company.

“Kanye. Elon. Trump,” the official Twitter account for the Republican House Judiciary posted on Thursday. The post remained up Tuesday night, despite many calls, including from conservatives, for it to be deleted. Meanwhile, Missouri’s attorney general, Eric Schmitt, tweeted, then deleted, on Tuesday night, “America needs a @kanyewest @KidRock tour. Let’s go!” (The White Michigan rapper has long aligned himself with the political right.)

Indiana’s attorney general, Todd Rokita, tweeted that “Kanye’s message in this instance is fair and accurate, & regardless, he is entitled to his opinion,” adding, “The media will steamroll anyone if they do not kowtow to their way of thinking. According to them, you’re not thinking correctly if you don’t completely agree with them.” He later clarified that he was referring only to West’s criticisms of “the media and

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# Jewish Community Relations Council



## 18 Jewish and Arab women from Israel are coming to Toledo as part of a multi-cultural women’s empowerment program

Women Leading a Dialogue is a group consisting of Arab and Jewish women from Israel’s Western Galilee region. With the help of a professional facilitator, these women, ages 30-55, discuss mutual issues pertaining to their lives. They get to know each other, go on field trips, and celebrate special holidays together, like Ramadan, the New Year, and Passover. While strengthening their bonds, they also enhance their leadership and project building skills.

Eighteen women in this program will be traveling to five communities across the United States to speak about their experience and inspire

others to create similar programs in their own communities. Toledo is fortunate to have been selected as the first stop on their American tour. They will be in town November 6-9, 2022, speaking to various groups and exploring our region’s cultural attractions. They will be participating in a glassblowing workshop, touring downtown Toledo, visiting the Toledo Zoo, and more.

The Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo is proud to support this program in Israel. We believe in bringing people together to highlight our common ground and to celebrate our differences.

## Three public events of this delegation that you will not want to miss!

### Women's Luncheon

Monday, November 7  
Temple Shomer Emunim  
See page 6 for information

### Bagel Brunch

Tuesday, November 8 at 10 a.m.  
Congregation B'nai Israel  
See next page for information

### Interfaith Dialogue and Dinner

Tuesday, November 8 at 7 p.m.  
Ward Pavilion Wildwood Metropark  
See below for details

## Interfaith Dialogue and Dinner

**November 8 at 7 p.m.**  
**Wildwood Metropark's Ward Pavilion**  
**4830 Central Ave, Toledo**  
**Dinner will be provided**  
**Open to the public; RSVP required**



The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo invites you to attend this inspiring program. We kindly ask for your RSVP no later than Monday, November 9 at 4 p.m. by emailing [sally@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:sally@jewishtoledo.org), and we encourage you to invite your friends and colleagues to attend as well.

Women Leading a Dialogue programs are funded through the generosity of the Susan & Steven Kaufman and Levine Family Philanthropic Funds of the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation.

**Find out more about Jewish Toledo at [www.jewishtoledo.org](http://www.jewishtoledo.org)**



# Jewish Community Relations Council

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**Election Day is Tuesday, November 8**

**Polls will be open 6:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.**  
If not returned by mail, absentee ballots must be received by your board of elections by 7:30 p.m.  
The absentee ballot postmark deadline is Monday, November 7

**Early in-person voting hours:**  
The week before Election Day: 8 a.m. – 7 p.m.  
Saturday, November 5: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Sunday, November 6: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Monday, November 7: 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.



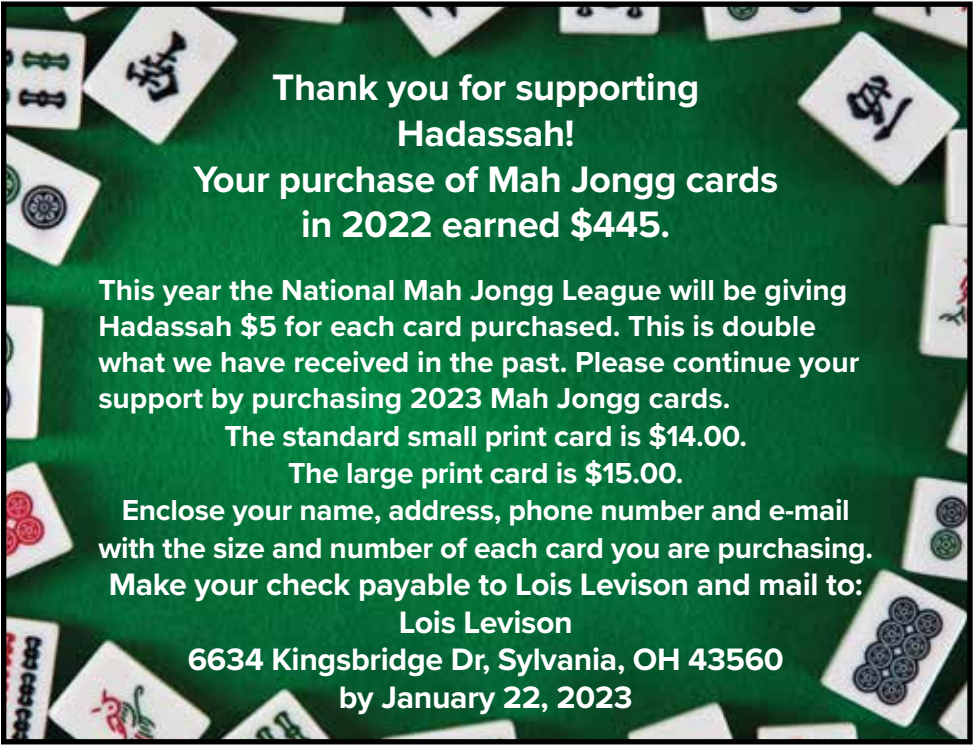
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**Bagel Brunch at Congregation B’nai Israel with Women Leading a Dialogue**

**Tuesday, November 8, 10–11:30 a.m.**

Open to the entire Jewish community

Women Leading a Dialogue is a multi-cultural women’s empowerment program consisting of 18 Jewish and Muslim women from Israel’s Western Galilee region. With the help of a professional facilitator, these women, ages 30-55, discuss mutual issues pertaining to their lives. They get to know each other, go on field trips, and celebrate special holidays together, like Ramadan, New Years and Passover. While strengthening their bonds, they also enhance their leadership and project building skills.

Please join us for a free bagel brunch on Tuesday, November 8 at 10 a.m. at Congregation B’nai Israel to meet these women and to hear about their experience in this program. Toledo is fortunate to have been selected as the first of five stops on their American tour. The Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo is proud to support this Partnership2Gether program in Israel.

The program mission is to find common ground and to strengthen the bond between Arab and Jewish women from the Western Galilee in addition to involving and exposing partnered communities to the complexity and diversity of the region.

Please RSVP no later than Friday, November 4 by contacting Sherry Majewski at [sherry@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:sherry@jewishtoledo.org) or 419-724-0351. For questions, please contact Daniel Pearlman, JCRC Director, at [daniel@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:daniel@jewishtoledo.org) or 419-724-0315.





# Jewish Senior, Family and Social Services

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# Jewish Senior and Family Social Services



## SERVICES. COMMUNITY. TOGETHER.

Beginning in 2023, Jewish Senior, Family & Social Services will be bringing a new series of FREE events to the Toledo area Jewish community. Welcome to JSFSS’s new event series: **Create and Relate!** These events will offer the opportunity in five unique sessions for our seniors to connect with different services by bringing in new and exciting community members and activities. Although we hope to gear some services toward our seniors, we also hope to see people of all ages as we will be touching on topics within our society that are all-inclusive. All are welcome to attend. There will be a Creative Expression Art Activity at all sessions.

Come nosh, come mingle and most importantly, come be together. Stay tuned for more information coming in the *Toledo Jewish News*. Any questions, please contact Stacy Willis at 419-724-0407.



January 26

March 23

May 25

July 27

September 28

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT:

- Lunch provided
- Creative Expression art activity at every session
- Community member presentation
- Mitzvah project

CREATE AND RELATE: SESSION ONE!

January 26, 2023 | 12 – 2:30 p.m. | Sekach Building  
FREE EVENT | LUNCH PROVIDED

**Creative Expression Art Activity put on by NAMI of NW Ohio**

NAMI staff will bring in an art project and guide and encourage participants to creating through expression. **Memory Lane Care Services** will be hosting a presentation, “Where Are My Keys,” which will discuss the world of dementia in regards to a person suffering from it or caring for someone who does. This presentation is well known within the community, has high reviews, and has shown to be a great way to build discussion of the topic.

**Come nosh, come mingle, and, most importantly, come be together. This event is open to everyone!**

**RSVP to Sherry Majewski at 419-724-0351 or [sherry@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:sherry@jewishtoledo.org) by January 20, 2023.**



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Hollywood elites,” not the “death con 3” comment, and also emphasized that he supports Israel.

For many concerned about antisemitism among Republicans, the response has been telling. “What’s striking about Ye’s naked antisemitism isn’t that he crossed a line but that, for some of his powerful allies, he didn’t,” wrote Michelle Goldberg, the liberal columnist, in The New York Times on Tuesday.

Meghan McCain exhorted her fellow conservatives to break with West, saying that because the left can be critical of Israel, the right bears a stronger responsibility to be a reliable ally for Jews.

“The Republican Party brand is supposed to be anti-celebrity and anti-elite. Yet anytime a big name shows even the slightest interest in conservative causes, they are granted prime time interviews and slobbered over by pundits and politicians,” McCain wrote in the Daily Mail on Tuesday.

Later, she added about antisemitism, “The left cannot be relied upon to take up this cause, so the right cannot compromise itself. If conservatives don’t stand with our Jewish friends, who will?”

Carlson held back footage in which West made additional antisemitic comments.

On Carlson’s show, West’s comment about Kushner was one of many in which he expressed extreme and controversial views. But unaired footage published on Tuesday by Vice revealed that West had in fact made multiple antisemitic comments that were edited out of the final broadcast.

In one comment, he criticized Planned Parenthood as being created “to control the Jew population.” In explaining what he meant, he made clear that he was approaching the topic from a Hebrew Israelite perspective: “When I say Jew, I mean the 12 lost tribes of Judah, the blood of Christ, who the people known as the race Black really are.” (Planned Parenthood’s does have historical roots in eugenics, which it has disavowed; it also figures in conspiracy theories that often overlap with antisemitic theories.)

West also said he regretted that his children’s school celebrates Kwanzaa, an African-American holiday. “I prefer my kids knew Hanukkah than Kwanzaa. At least it will come with some financial engineering,” he said, in a comment that appeared to allude to ideas that Jews are good with money.

And when discussing how Black people criticize each other, he offered Jews as an analogy. “Think about us judging each other on how white we could talk would be like, you know, a Jewish person judging another Jewish

person on how good they danced or something,” he said, before pausing and saying he thought he could get in trouble for saying that and asking for it to be edited out of the final cut. It was.

Other comments reflecting paranoia about the people close to him, which West has previously said is a hallmark of his illness, were also edited out of the final cut. The result is calling attention to the role played by Carlson in promoting dangerous antisemitism.

Carlson is a leading proponent of “great replacement theory,” an anti-immigration philosophy that has united white supremacists across borders in their hatred of Jews and immigrants and has inspired multiple mass murders, including of Jews. Earlier this year, Carlson produced a special focused on condemning the Jewish billionaire and philanthropist George Soros, who features in many right-wing conspiracy theories, including great replacement. Carlson’s embrace of that theory caused the head of the ADL to call for his ouster last year.

“The story here isn’t that Kanye is antisemitic — we already knew that — but that Tucker worked to launder that antisemitism into slightly more socially acceptable forms, to maintain plausible deniability with elected officials,” tweeted Joel Swanson, a doctoral student in American Jewish history whose study includes antisemitism. “Don’t focus on Kanye to the exclusion of Carlson.”

West’s current fixation on Jews follows other notable comments about them over the years.

West has had a relationship with Jews that has veered from admiration into hostility, sometimes in the same moment.

He has proposed a Christian movement to replicate the solidarity he sensed among Israelis when he visited the country. (His then-wife, Kim Kardashian, baptized their daughter North West in Israel, where she connected with the country’s ancient Armenian community.) As much as he seemed to have appreciated the country, his concert there was weird and alienating. He has said that former President Barack Obama was frustrated in his efforts to legislate in part because Blacks are not as connected as Jews.

He has worked with prominent Jews and tried to emulate them; a sitcom he filmed in 2008 inspired in part by Larry David’s “Curb Your Enthusiasm” was well received in screenings but never widely released. As much as he now criticizes Kushner for being an opportunist, he and his ex-wife, Kardashian, worked with Kushner on one of the Trump administration’s rare domestic policy successes, criminal justice reform.



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# NJG Programs



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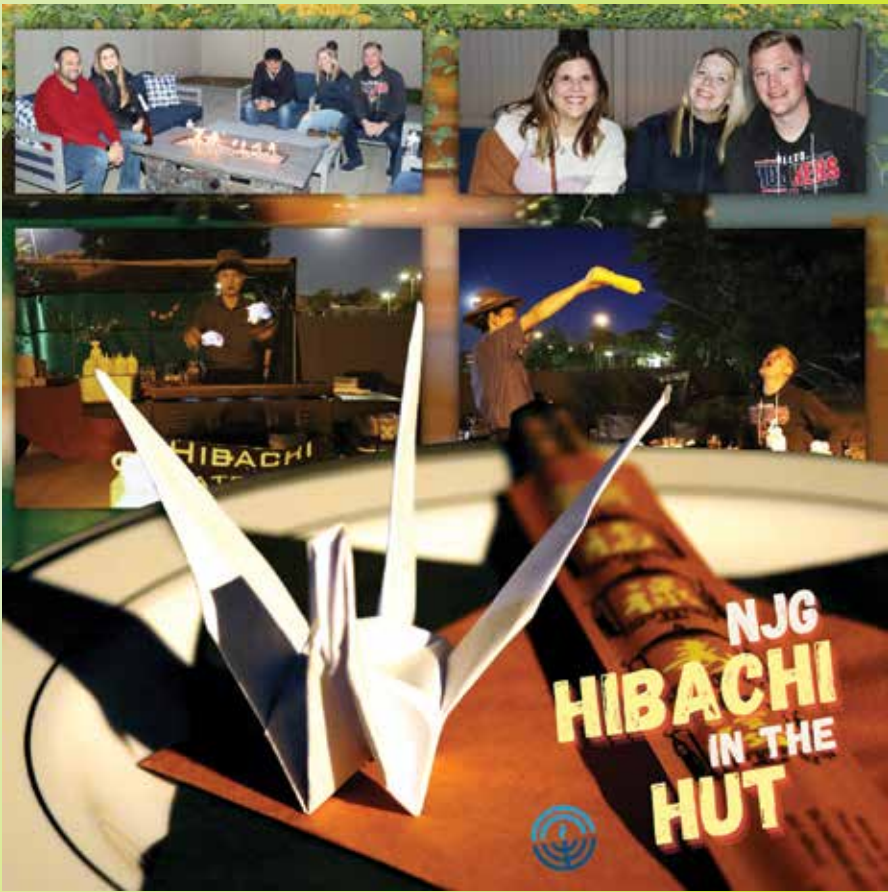


## Multi-Generational Trivia Night

Wednesday, November 30  
5:30 p.m.

Shorty's True American Roadhouse  
(outdoor patio)  
5111 Monroe Street

See page 16 for full information  
on the Shorty's event.



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 Marnie at [marnie@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:marnie@jewishtoledo.org).





# Northwest Ohio Jewish Book Festival

## OPENING WEEKEND!

### PJ Playdate

*Tía Fortuna’s New Home:  
A Jewish Cuban Journey*  
by Ruth Behar

Friday, November 4 | 10:30 a.m.  
Sekach Building – 6505 Sylvania Avenue  
FREE – author presentation and snacks  
\$15 – author presentation, snacks, and book

Open to all baby to preschool-aged children and their caregivers

A poignant multicultural ode to family and what it means to create a home as one girl helps her Tía move away from her beloved Miami apartment. A lyrical book about tradition, culture, and togetherness, Tía Fortuna’s New Home explores Tía and Estrella’s Sephardic Jewish and Cuban heritage. Through Tía’s journey, Estrella will learn that, as long as you have your family, home is truly where the heart is.

Born in Havana, Cuba, Ruth Behar grew up in New York, and has also lived in Spain and Mexico. Her memoirs, An Island Called Home and Traveling Heavy, explore her return journeys to Cuba and her search for home as an immigrant and a traveler. She was the first Latina to win a MacArthur “Genius” Grant. She is an anthropology professor at the University of Michigan and lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

### Sunday Morning Children’s Author Corner

*The Button Box*  
by Bridget Hodder and  
Fawzia Gilani-Williams

Sunday, November 6 | 10 – 11 a.m.  
Temple Shomer Emunim – 6453 Sylvania Avenue  
\*\*\*Pre-register for a FREE Book\*\*\*  
Bridget Hodder will be available for book signing after presentations  
For children ages 8-13  
FREE – author presentation

This lively middle grade adventure has two young protagonists, cousins Ava and Nadeem. Ava is Jewish while Nadeem is Muslim, and a school bully torments them due to their religious backgrounds.

Bridget Hodder is a Sephardic historian, reading specialist, and learning disability specialist. She can bring history to life for any audience, from children to adults.



### Family Event

*Dear Mr. Dickens*  
by Nancy Churnin -and-  
*I Love my Kids, But I Don’t Always Like Them:  
Expert Advice for Parents of Challenging Children*  
by Franki Bagdade (M. Ed.)

Sunday, November 6 | 4 p.m.  
Gan Yeladim Preschool (children) and Sekach Building (adults) – 6505 Sylvania Avenue  
\$5 per child – author presentation, dinner, and childcare  
\$10 per adult – author presentation and snacks  
\$18 per adult – author presentation, snacks, and one book  
\$30 per adult – author presentation, snacks, and both books  
Childcare and dinner will be provided

### Calling parents and children of all ages

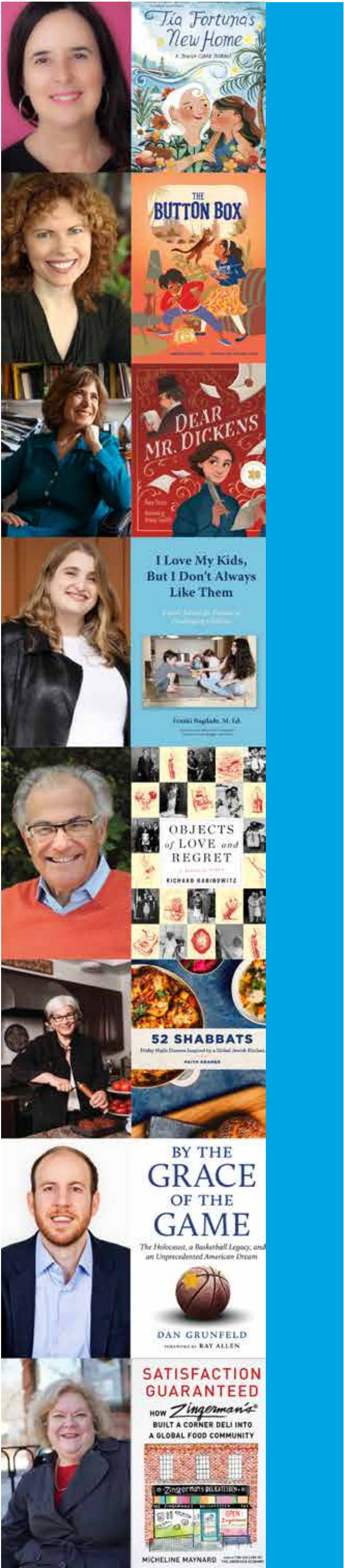
Adults will hear from Franki Bagdade, author of *I Love my Kids, But I Don’t Always Like Them*, and children will hear from Nancy Churnin, author of *Dear Mr. Dickens*.

*Dear Mr. Dickens*  
In *Dear Mr. Dickens*, Nancy Churnin and Bethany Stancliffe tell the story of one Jewish reader, Eliza Davis, who was a fan of novelist Charles Dickens but not of his antisemitic caricature in *Oliver Twist*. Davis felt that the character of Fagin represented a dangerously misleading portrayal of her people, so she wrote to Dickens in hopes of a response. The small drama of this interaction between a famous author and a woman seeking change makes for an inspiring story.

Nancy Churnin is an award-winning children’s book author who writes books about people who have made the world a better place and inspire children to be heroes and heroines. She won the 2021 National Jewish Book Award and 2022 Sydney Taylor Honor for *Dear Mr. Dickens*, a true story that is the subject of an educational program offered by The Charles Dickens Museum in London.

*I Love my Kids, But I Don’t Always Like Them*  
Focuses on behavioral challenges in children, *I Love my Kids, But I Don’t Always Like Them*, serves as a guide for parents on how to improve their child’s behavior. Franki Bagdade provides a new approach with simple steps that establish new structures, systems, and strategies to empower your child to take responsibility for his or her own behavior and allows you to enjoy your child once again. Bagdade’s recommendations have been praised by parents, educators, and readers.

Franki Bagdade (M. Ed.) is an academic, behavioral, mental health, and inclusion consultant; parenting expert; author; and speaker through her company FAAB Consulting. She is an expert with 20 years of experience in observation and study in the classroom and recreational programs.





# Northwest Ohio Jewish Book Festival

## BOOK FESTIVAL CONTINUES!

*Objects of Love and Regret:  
A Brooklyn Story*  
by Richard Rabinowitz

Thursday, November 10 | 12 p.m.  
Congregation Etz Chayim  
3853 Woodley Drive  
\$10 – kosher luncheon and author presentation  
\$20 – kosher luncheon, author presentation, and book

(Generously funded by Jewish Senior Services Supporting Organization)

At a pushcart stall in East New York, Brooklyn, in the spring of 1934, eighteen-year-old Sarah Schwartz bought her mother, Shenka, a green, wooden-handled bottle opener. How could that unremarkable item, and others like it, reveal the untold history of a Jewish immigrant family, their chances and their choices over the course of an eventful century? By unearthing the personal meaning and historical significance of simple everyday objects, Richard Rabinowitz offers an intimate portrait connecting Sarah, Shenka, and the rest of his family to the twentieth-century transformations of American life.

Richard Rabinowitz, a noted historian and museum curator, is the president of American History Workshop. For decades, he has been instrumental in developing new museums and creating lively exhibitions across the nation, including the Lower East Side Tenement Museum, the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, and the New-York Historical Society.

*52 Shabbats: Friday Night Dinners Inspired  
by a Global Jewish Kitchen*  
by Faith Kramer

Sunday, November 13 | 6 p.m.  
Chabad House of Toledo – 2728 King Road  
\$18 – author presentation and dinner  
\$40 – author presentation, cookbook, and dinner

*52 Shabbats: Friday Night Dinners Inspired by a Global Jewish Kitchen* invites everyone to honor Shabbat with a special meal on Friday evenings. It has more than 90 modern recipes (including many vegetarian options) that add flavor and meaning to the Shabbat or holiday table. Add dishes to your Jewish repertoire such as Pomegranate Molasses Brisket, Matzah Ball and Pozole Soup, Falafel Crust Pizza with Feta and Herbs, Sweet-and-Tart Silan-Roasted Carrots with Lentils, and Mango and Cardamom Mini Cheesecakes. The book explores Shabbat traditions, the Jewish calendar, the symbolism of foods in Judaism, descriptions of Jewish communities around the world, and the global Jewish pantry.

Faith Kramer is a food writer and recipe developer concentrating on the food ways, history, and customs of the Jewish diaspora. Faith has taught cooking classes on food from around the world, presented programs on Jewish customs, celebrations, and holidays, and led food-related walking tours that explore the economic, geographic, and political underpinnings of the food as well as how to use international ingredients in other contexts. She lives with her family in the San Francisco Bay Area.



*By the Grace of the Game:  
The Holocaust, a Basketball Legacy, and an  
Unprecedented American Dream*  
by Dan Grunfeld

Monday, November 14 | 7 p.m.  
Grogan Room, Savage Arena, 2025 N. Douglas  
Road Free Parking – Lot 4, off Douglas Road  
\$18 – drink ticket, author presentation, and game day snacks  
\$30 – drink ticket, author presentation, game day snacks, and book

Interviewer – Justin Feldkamp

When Lily and Alex entered a packed gymnasium in Queens, New York in 1972, they barely recognized their son. The boy who escaped to America with them, who was bullied as he struggled to learn English and cope with family tragedy, was now a young man who had discovered and secretly honed his basketball talent on the outdoor courts of New York City. That young man was Ernie Grunfeld, who would go on to win an Olympic gold medal and reach previously unimaginable heights as an NBA player and executive. In *By the Grace of the Game*, Dan Grunfeld, once a basketball standout himself at Stanford University, shares the remarkable story of his family, a delicately interwoven narrative that doesn't lack in heartbreak yet remains as deeply nourishing as his grandmother's Hungarian cooking, so lovingly described.

Dan Grunfeld is a former professional basketball player, an accomplished writer, and a proud graduate of Stanford University. An Academic All-American and All-Conference basketball selection at Stanford, Dan played professionally for eight seasons in top leagues around the world, including in Germany, Spain, and Israel.

Justin Feldkamp (interviewer) joined Buckeye Broadband's BCSN and BCAN in November 2020. He is the host of *Inside Out* with Justin Feldkamp, a 30-minute interview-style show seen monthly on BCSN. He also helps to select the high school games and the special programming that is aired on BCSN.

*Satisfaction Guaranteed:  
How Zingerman's® Built a Corner Deli into a  
Global Food Community*  
by Micheline Maynard

Thursday, November 17 | 7 p.m.  
Toledo School for the Arts, 333 14th St.  
\$18 – author presentation, Zingerman's® appetizers, and drinks  
\$35 – author presentation, Zingerman's® appetizers, drinks, and book

Interviewer – Matt Kripke

This event is sponsored by the Stu and Jo-Jo Goldberg Donor Advised Fund

Founded in 1982 by Paul Saginaw and Ari Weinzwieg, Zingerman's Deli in Ann Arbor, Michigan built on its mission of good food, good service and good finances to become a company whose reach spans all corners of the gourmet food world. As Zingerman's approaches its 40th anniversary in 2022, *Satisfaction Guaranteed* tells how readers they did it, and how other businesses can adopt their methods and philosophies.

Micheline Maynard is a journalist, author, and professor. She is a contributing columnist at The Washington Post, where her essays on business and culture appear in *Voices Across America*. She has been a senior editor at NPR's *Here & Now* and was a senior correspondent and Detroit bureau chief for The New York Times. She lives in New Orleans and Ann Arbor.



### Registering for a Book Festival event is easy!

**How to register for events:**  
By phone: 419-724-0351  
By email: [sherry@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:sherry@jewishtoledo.org)  
Online: <https://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/bookfestival22>

At the door: on a first come, first served basis. Seating is limited.

*Questions? Contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or [hallie@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:hallie@jewishtoledo.org)*

All programs are subject to change or cancellation without prior notification due to schedules and commitments of our authors. Refunds will be available.

All featured author books will be available for presale. Limited books will be available for sale at and after all in person events.





# Local



## What do you know? Multi-Generational Trivia Night

Wednesday, November 30  
5:30 p.m.  
Shorty’s True American Roadhouse (outdoor patio),  
5111 Monroe Street  
\$18 per person – includes trivia, vegetarian buffet dinner,  
dessert, and more

What is an EGOT? Can you name that tune in just a few notes?  
What is pi to the 10th digit?

Get ready to test your knowledge at Jewish Toledo’s own trivia night. This event is open to adult community members from the silent generation to baby boomers to Gen X to Millennials and everyone in between. Bring a group of friends and be the “smarty pants” of your age group. The top three teams will win prizes.

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Sekach Building

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Just come and visit with friends and  
enjoy coffee and a treat.



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# Active Life for 60 and Better

## Healthy Living

### Get Fit Classes

#### Monday

**Get Fit Early, 9-10am**

**-or-**

**Get Fit Later, 10:30-11:30am**

Join us for this upbeat and energetic dance/exercise program designed to improve your fitness level safely and effectively. This is a comprehensive workout that includes strength, flexibility, balance, posture-improvement, and more. All moves can be modified to meet specific needs.

**Cardio Drumming, 12-1pm**

A high-energy workout that also includes some dance moves. This can also be done seated.

#### Wednesday

**Get Fit Early, 9-10am**

**-or-**

**Get Fit Later, 10:30-11:30am**

(see description above)

**Ballet Ball Fusion, 12-1pm**

A special blend of ballet warm-up, cardio drumming, and a Tai Chi/yoga cool-down. Ballet shoes are not required.

#### Friday

**Zumba, 9-10am**

**Foundation Fitness, 10am-11pm**

Designed to improve mobility, core strength, and stability from the ground up. Focus will be on foot and ankle strength, mobility, healthy posture, pelvic floor, and breathing. Exercises can be done in chairs and/or standing.

In-person classes at JSFSS  
Sekach Building  
6505 Sylvania Ave.  
Sylvania

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## Annual Latke Luncheon



### Seniors SAVE THE DATE: Hanukkah Latke Luncheon

**Thursday, December 15 at 12 p.m.**

**Congregation B'nai Israel**

**\$5 per person**

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### Friday Poker

**12:00-3:30 p.m.**

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# PJ Library



## The Art of Parenting with Morah Raizel & Miss Colette

**Mondays: November 7, November 14**  
**9 – 10 a.m.**

**Gan Yeladim Preschool -**  
**6505 Sylvania Avenue**

Open to parents with children of all ages. Babysitting will be available. FREE – beverages and snacks will be provided.



Morah Raizel will be sharing her expert advice on Jewish parenting topics while Miss Colette teaches mindful art journaling.

*RSVP to Sherry at 419-724-0351 or [sherry@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:sherry@jewishtoledo.org). Please let us know of any dietary restrictions.*



*RSVP for all programs by contacting Marnie at [marnie@jewishtoledo.org](mailto:marnie@jewishtoledo.org).*



**Open to our preschool-aged friends (0-3) and their parents, grandparents, nannies, siblings, and friends.**

### PJ & Gan Yeladim Playdate - Musical Tot Shabbat!

**Friday, November 11**  
**9 – 10:30 a.m.**  
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# When the Torah cycle ended, their Russian-American romance began

(JTA) — Tamar Caplan knew Alex Zeldin was the one when, a few months into dating, he asked if she knew why pigeons bob their heads.

“He had looked up the reason,” Caplan recalled. “I thought to myself, ‘I love that this is someone who is always wanting to learn about things he doesn’t know and share them with me.’”

Pigeons don’t actually bob their heads; instead, their heads stop while their bodies catch up — something of a metaphor for Zeldin and Caplan’s early relationship, when their friendship raced ahead of their romantic involvement.

The two first met through a web of mutual friends on the Upper West Side of Manhattan, and Zeldin had even attended a Shabbat dinner at Caplan’s apartment. But when, inspired by a shared conversation about ethical representation in science fiction, he proposed a date, Caplan turned him down.

“I believe I said, ‘I’m not emotionally prepared for that,’” Caplan recalled. She had recently ended a long-term relationship, and was dealing with a bout of depression; the timing felt wrong.

Then the pair reconnected at a Simchat Torah event at B’nai Jeshurun, a nondenominational synagogue in their neighborhood that celebrated the completion of a year’s Torah reading with a massive celebration.

“We started having these really remarkably in-depth conversations for people who weren’t dating,” Caplan said. Still, she continued to turn down his invitations to go out.

Finally, Zeldin told her he was going to start seeing other people, and he set up a date with someone else. That was enough for Caplan to give him a chance.

The other date never happened. Instead, in June 2017, he and Caplan went on their first date.

“I knew from the beginning” this would be the relationship worth waiting for, Zeldin said. “That’s why I was remarkably patient.”

In addition to their shared interest in sci-fi and other cultural issues, Caplan and Zeldin shared a commitment



Tamar Caplan, seated, gazes into Alex Zeldin’s eyes during a ceremony that was part of their wedding. (JC Lemon Photography)

to Jewish life. Both keep kosher and observe Shabbat, and were active in the Upper West Side’s community of young religious Jews.

Zeldin, 31, had become more observant while a student at Rutgers University and developed his religious practice particularly while studying in Israel during college. He is now a contributing columnist for the Forward and a public speaker on Jewish identity and American foreign policy. Caplan, also 31 and an engineer who studied at Columbia University, grew up in the heart of the Conservative movement of Judaism, where her father is a cantor.

As they began dating more seriously, the one sticking point was finding a synagogue where they both wanted to pray.

Caplan, who grew up in New Jersey, where she was involved in a variety of Conservative Jewish institutions, prefers to pray in “traditional egalitarian” congregations such as Kehilat Hadar on the Upper West Side, where both men and women lead prayer and there is no mechitzah, or divider, separating the sexes.

But Zeldin finds it hard to follow along at places like Hadar, which assume

a high level of Hebrew and ritual fluency. He prefers synagogues like the ones that embraced his family upon their arrival in the United States from Belarus when he was a toddler. Growing up in New Jersey, he attended Orthodox synagogues, many of them led by Chabad rabbis, that specifically welcomed an influx of Russian Jews whose knowledge of Jewish practice had been weakened by decades under Soviet rule.

“Coming from a Soviet background, many shuls are not intended to be a space for us,” Zeldin said. “Often, when Russian Jews do go [to synagogue], we’re watching other people, and we’re not actively involved with it. It’s not a thing we often feel welcome into.”

Though Zeldin appreciates how communities such as Hadar include full participation for women while Orthodox synagogues do not, he sees gender restrictions as just one of several barriers to synagogue inclusivity.

“This is my male privilege, but I don’t think of it in denominational lines,” he said. “I think of it as ‘where are Russian Jews welcome’ kind of lines. And very often, that’s in Orthodox spaces because they do more targeted outreach.”

As they navigated these different

cultural vantage points, they began to realize their Jewish values overlapped far more than they diverged. In September 2021, Zeldin asked Caplan’s boss to ask her to do a site visit at B’nai Jeshurun, the synagogue where they first connected. When she arrived, he was waiting for her in the sanctuary, where he proposed.

Their religious differences began to feel more like preferences and less about an actual difference in values. “It is more about logistics than actually finding a middle ground,” Caplan said.

Those logistics helped set the stage for their Aug. 21 wedding at The Marigold, a venue in Somerset, New Jersey. Caplan’s father, Joel Caplan, who is the cantor at Congregation Agudath Israel in Caldwell, New Jersey, participated, but the officiating rabbi was Orthodox. The pair selected Rabbi Benjamin Goldschmidt, founder of the Altneu congregation, which serves, among others, a Russian-speaking community in New York City.

Goldschmidt was ideal, Zeldin said, because he could communicate with the Russian-speaking guests, and because as an Orthodox rabbi, his oversight would reliably be respected by religious authorities in Israel. During his time studying in Israel, Zeldin said he saw firsthand how hard it was for some family members and friends from the former Soviet Union to prove their Jewish identity to the Israeli rabbinate, and he wanted to avoid any openings for future doubt.

The wedding reflected the Jewish values they have developed together, and the communities they hope to include in their lives.

“[The rabbi] spoke in Russian at the tisch and chuppah and explained to my family why we were doing what we were doing, and how wonderful it is for FSU Jews to be able to reclaim our heritage,” Zeldin said a few days after the wedding. “It brought my family to tears.”

*This story is part of JTA’s Mazels series, which profiles unique and noteworthy Jewish life events from births to b’nai mitzvah to weddings and everything in between.*

# In a breakthrough, Team Israel will boast current MLBers on its World Baseball Classic roster

By Hillel Kuttler

(JTA) — For the first time, players currently on Major League Baseball rosters are joining Team Israel in next year’s World Baseball Classic — and there could be a lot of them.

As many as 12 current Major Leaguers could be playing for Israel in the event, set for Miami in March. They include Baltimore Orioles Israeli-American pitcher Dean Kremer, New York Yankees outfielder Harrison Bader and San Francisco Giants outfielder Joc Pederson, who team leaders say is working to get his fellow ballplayers to sign on.

All together, fully half of Israel’s team could be made up of athletes from the upper echelon of professional baseball,

a revolutionary development that could position Team Israel to far exceed its record in past international competitions.

“It should be interesting next year, with how loaded the other teams are,” said Bubby Rossman, who committed to the team before making his major league debut with the Philadelphia Phillies in July. “If [manager] Ian Kinsler can get the major leaguers, I feel we can compete with the other teams in our division.”

Rossman’s story is an example of how Team Israel has been built up through baseball’s version of Jewish geography.

A minor league pitcher, Rossman went to train at a Los Angeles-area gym following the 2019 baseball season. There, he met Cody Decker and Ty Kelly, former major leaguers also working

out there. They told Rossman of their positive experiences playing for Israel’s team at the World Baseball Classic two years earlier. Rossman progressed to the point that Israel Association of Baseball officials wanted him to join the club that’ll compete in the WBC in March 2023, but he wasn’t promoted to the majors until this summer. In the Phillies’ locker room in Toronto, just before making his big-league debut, Rossman chatted with catcher Garrett Stubbs. He asked Stubbs — who, like Decker, Kelly and Rossman, is Jewish — to consider playing for Team Israel.

“I was testing his feel for what he was thinking,” Rossman recalled this week from his home in Southern California. “It was all positive.”

Thanks to such word of mouth and recruitment led by Kinsler, who played for Israel’s 2021 Olympics team after retiring from a 14-year major-league career, a roster laden with big-league players is taking shape.

A team that’s half current major leaguers would be a striking contrast from Israel’s contingents at the WBCs in 2012 and 2016–17 and at the Tokyo Olympics. There, the teams included several former major leaguers and free agents, along with many minor leaguers and collegiate players — all of them American Jews — and a sprinkling of native Israelis, but no one currently on an MLB roster.

At least two key factors explain the shift.

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First, Team Israel’s successes in international competition — it reached seventh place at the 2017 WBC, and was one of just six teams to qualify for the Olympics — made playing for it more desirable.

Second, Israel was placed in a 2023 WBC group that’s scheduled to play its early-round games in Miami, at most a few hours’ drive from many Major League Baseball teams’ spring training sites, easing players’ preseason preparations. The Olympics and previous WBCs took place either during MLB seasons or in Asia — sometimes both — conditions that dissuaded active players from representing Israel.

“Team Israel has shown well,” Kinsler told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. “Being in Miami makes [players’] decisions easier. All of those things led to more opportunities for more players. I think we get more accomplished players.”

Based on publicly released information and interviews for this article, 2022 major leaguers likely to populate Israel’s WBC roster include Pederson, who was the first one to sign on, and fellow outfielders Bader and Kevin Pillar of the Los Angeles Dodgers. Jake Bird of the Colorado Rockies, Kremer, Eli Morgan of the Cleveland Guardians and the Los Angeles Angels’ Zack Weiss — all pitchers — are on board.

If Stubbs decides to join Rossman, Team Israel could feature two pairs of MLB teammates, along with Miami Marlins relievers Richard Bleier and Jake Fishman. New York Yankees relief pitcher Scott Effross was Team Israel-bound until a few days ago, when a tear in the ulnar nerve of his pitching arm shelved him for at least a year.

“Terrible for him, and us!” Peter Kurz, Team Israel’s general manager, texted JTA the next day, adding an expletive. Kurz said he’s since invited Effross to Miami for the games to stay connected to Team Israel and provide moral support.

The MLB will permit players to compete in the World Baseball Classic only if they are citizens of the country they represent or eligible to become one. That makes all Jewish players, as well as the children and grandchildren of Jews, eligible to compete for Team Israel. And because Israel also confers citizenship on Jews’ non-Jewish spouses, the team hopes to snag Cincinnati Reds outfielder Mike Moustakas; he is not Jewish, but

his wife is. It had sought a second player in that situation, New York Mets pitcher Adam Ottavino, but Ottavino will play for Italy’s team.

Pederson, on his own, is recruiting major leaguers for the team, Kinsler and Kurz said.

“Joc’s making phone calls and sending texts and is doing his best,” Kinsler said. “He wants to play on a competitive team.”

The greatest catches would be two of MLB’s best players: Houston Astros third baseman Alex Bregman and Atlanta Braves pitcher Max Fried. Bregman intends to sit out the WBC, while Fried remains noncommittal, Kurz said. Kinsler indicated that recruiting efforts have paused for the duo and other players on teams still competing in MLB’s playoffs.

About a dozen current major leaguers now seem destined for the roster, which will contain at least 28 players. Three others bound for Team Israel — Kelly, an infielder; catcher Ryan Lavarney; and pitcher Robert Stock — are ex-major leaguers who still play professionally and are a callup away from returning to the major leagues.

All appear on Kurz’s spreadsheet, which contains the names of 120 players throughout professional and collegiate baseball. The names, he said, arrive from sports fans, players, players’ parents and such specialized sources as the Jewish Baseball News’ website and the recently-closed Jewish Sports Review newsletter. Kurz then vets the players for eligibility by obtaining documents proving that they’re Jewish.

The players’ capabilities will be needed at the WBC because Israel’s Miami grouping includes baseball powerhouses Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic and Venezuela. Fishman or Bleier could even find themselves pitching against Dominican Republic native Sandy Alcantara, their Marlins teammate who’s likely to win the Cy Young Award as the National League’s best pitcher.

But Bleier, a native of South Florida, isn’t focused for now on the likely toughness of the competition.

“Playing in Miami is going to be awesome,” he said. “I know my family is thrilled it is so close to home, and they are all looking forward to going to the games.”


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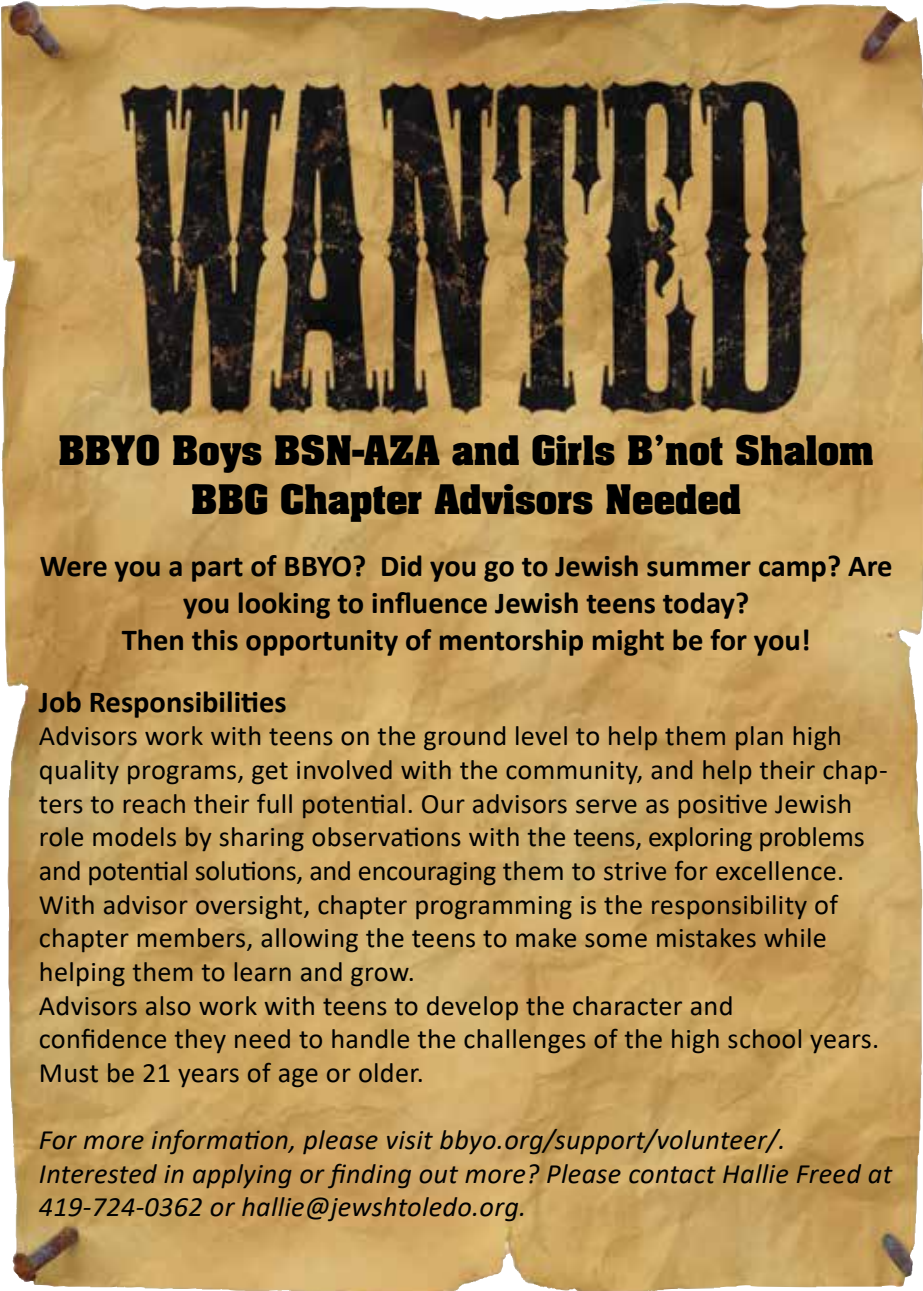

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**November Worship Schedule**

**Friday, November 4**  
*"Just Because It's Shabbat"*  
 Service at 6:00PM  
 Followed by dinner  
 (reservations required)


**Saturday, November 5**  
 Musical Minyan at 10:30AM  
 Multi-generational Havdalah  
 at 6:30PM

**Friday, November 11**  
 Shabbat Service at 6:00PM

**Friday, November 18**  
 Shabbat Service at 6:00PM

**Saturday, November 19**  
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**Men's Chavurah**  
 Wednesday, November 30 @ 7PM

**November Religious/Hebrew School**

Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hebrew School 4:30-6PM
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	Religious School 9:15-11:30AM
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	Hebrew School 4:30-6PM
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>	Religious School 9:15-11:30AM
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>	Hebrew School 4:30-6PM
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	Religious School 9:15-11:30AM
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup>	NO Hebrew School
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>	NO Religious School

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**Sunday, November 6 @ 9:15AM "Noah's Ark"**



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 5:45 PM - Zoom

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

Sunday Morning Minyan  
 9:30 AM - In Person/Zoom

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**10:30 AM - Noon, In-Person at CBI**

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**Calendar: November 2022**

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Sun.	11/6	Religious School 9:30-11:30 AM
Wed.	11/9	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sun.	11/13	Religious School 9:30-11:30 AM
Wed.	11/16	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sun.	11/20	Religious School 9:30-11:30 AM
Wed.	11/23	<b>NO HS - Thanksgiving Break</b>
Sun.	11/27	<b>NO RS - Thanksgiving Break</b>
Wed.	11/30	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM

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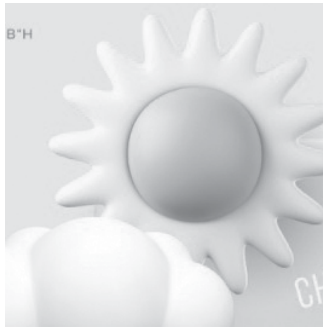
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# Local

## B'nai Mitzvah



### We Honor Our B'nai Mitzvah



**Elijah Hersch Roher-Smith** will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on November 19, 2022 at Temple Shomer Emunim. Elijah is the son of Cantor Jen Roher and Ryan Smith, brother of Gabriel Roher-Smith, and the grandson of Janie and Joe Roher and Betty and Gary (z"l) Smith. Elijah is in seventh grade at Columbus Gifted Academy and plays soccer, basketball, and the violin. In his free time, Elijah enjoys reading graphic novels, playing video games, doing parkour, baking for his business, *Kids in the Kitchen*, and spending time outdoors. Elijah is excited to celebrate his bar mitzvah with family, friends and the whole community.

## Obituaries



**Kyle Andrew Schwartz**  
September 30, 1979 -  
August 21, 2022

Kyle Andrew Schwartz passed away Aug. 21, 2022 after a short and sudden battle with leukemia. He left behind his wife, Abygail (Sherline); two sons, Logan and Jacob; parents, Larry and Glenda (Casey) Schwartz; brothers Aaron (Sarah Holey) and Seth (Megan Pauwels); several nieces and nephews; and many, many friends. Kyle grew up in Sylvania and was a member of Temple Shomer Emunim.

He attended summer camp at Goldman Union Camp for eight years. He considered GUCI his home away from home. As part of the last year of his camp experience, he spent five weeks with his camp friends in Israel. He carried on his Jewish experience with B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (BBYO). He was an active member and attended many conventions and conclaves with his BBYO friends. The experiences at GUCI and BBYO led Kyle to study Judaic Studies at The University of Cincinnati.

Kyle met Abby when they were children. They were friends through high school, college, jobs, girlfriends, and boyfriends. In 2011 they decided that their friendship could be something more and were married, August 19, 2012. Their sons, Logan and Jacob, couldn't come soon enough for either of them. Kyle was at his best with Abby and the boys.

Kyle worked at Hollywood Casino since it opened 10 years ago. He was an Assistant Manager, working on the new Outdoor Gaming Deck. He was so loved by the management and co-workers that a plaque was placed in his honor on the Deck.

Kyle found another home in the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) where learned to sew his own garb and make medieval style crafts. He spent many weekends on outings competing in simulated combat, especially his specialty fencing. He attended Pennsic, a yearly nationwide conclave, many times and introduced Abby to the SCA. Together they enjoyed many camping outings with their SCA family.

Over the last few years, Kyle had followed his father's footsteps spending a weekend each spring at GUCI for the Temple Brotherhood work weekend. Joining others from Brotherhoods around the GUCI district, they spent their days repairing roofs and decks on cabins, digging up trees and bushes, and planting new ones - whatever the camp director had planned. The evenings were spent getting to know the others from the surrounding communities.

Kyle was a frequent blood donor, and a very large supply of blood was used during his treatment. You can honor Kyle's memory by making a blood or cash donation to the American Red Cross. Or you could make a donation to the Temple Campership Fund or any Jewish camp in Kyle's name.

The service for Kyle was held on Aug. 24, 2022, at Temple Shomer Emunim. The service is still available to view on the Temple YouTube channel.

## Simcha



### Baby Announcement

Rochelle and Louis Black are thrilled to announce the birth of their grandson **Shimon Asher Black**, son of Ben and Alanna Black. Shimon was born on June 17, 2022. They live in Staten Island, NY.

## Local musician's new song reflects on nation's 'great divide'

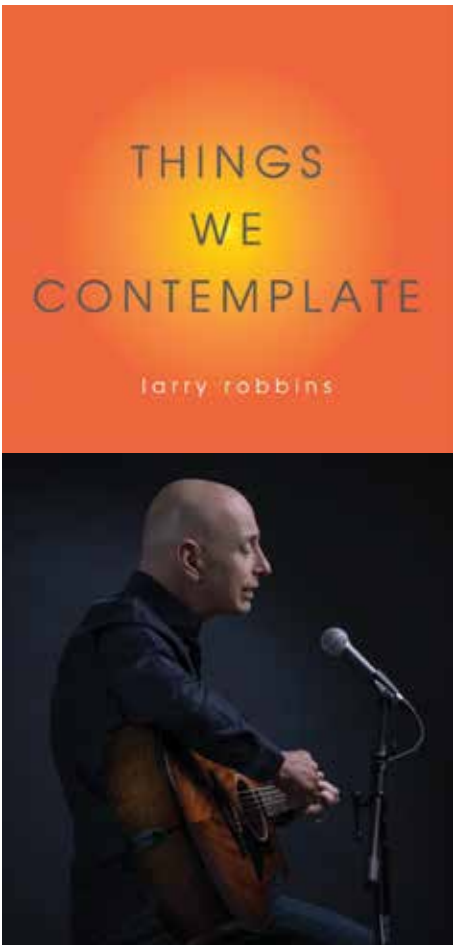
According to singer-songwriter Larry Robbins, he has been around long enough to remember the last time our country was as racially and politically divided as it is today. The performer likens our recent social unrest to what the nation experienced during the Vietnam War and the late 60s. As it happened then, a seemingly unending turmoil will likely define this moment in American history. It is, believes Robbins, enough to make you stop and think.

Those thoughts inspired Robbins to write his latest song, "Things We Contemplate." The just-released recording reflects on our social divisiveness and calls for all-in-this-together compassion and a willingness to compromise, lest our nation's differences become unmendable.

The studio recording of "Things We Contemplate" features Robbins performing alone while playing an acoustic guitar, as does the accompanying music video on his website, [larryrobbinsmusic.com](http://larryrobbinsmusic.com).

"I always attempt to wear my heart on my musical sleeve throughout the creative process," explained Robbins.

"Things We Contemplate" is available for preview and purchase on iTunes, Apple Music, Amazon, and Spotify.



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Orthodox basketball star Ryan Turell headed to Detroit after being selected in NBA’s minor league draft

Former Yeshiva University star Ryan Turell was drafted into the NBA G League Oct. 22, 2022. (Courtesy of Yeshiva University)

**Jacob Gurvis**  
(JTA) — Former Yeshiva University basketball star Ryan Turell took a major step on Saturday toward realizing his dream of becoming the first Orthodox Jew to play in the NBA.

Turell was drafted 27th overall by the Motor City Cruise, the Detroit Pistons’ affiliate in the G League, which is the NBA’s minor league organization. After going undrafted during June’s NBA draft, Turell, 23, is now officially part of a NBA franchise and has drawn closer to the highest echelon of professional basketball.

While playing in the G League does not guarantee a spot in the NBA, it means Turell could be called up to replace an injured or underachieving player. He could also earn an opportunity to play off the bench later in the season.

Turell’s chances of ascending directly from the NCAA’s Division III to the NBA had always been viewed as a long shot, but his efforts were further hampered by injury. Turell had been set to appear at the G League’s combine in May, a scouting showcase for prospects who were not invited to the main NBA Draft event, but he sustained an injury during a workout that forced him to drop out. The injury also kept him out of the NBA’s Summer League in Las Vegas.

Now, the 6-foot-7 guard, who was the DIII player of the year and helped lead Y.U. to a historic 50-game winning streak, will begin his professional career when the G League tips off Nov. 4.

Turell, an observant Jew, said he plans to play on Shabbat, as long as he can walk from his hotel to the game.

Jewish players have been a rare sight in the NBA since the 1970s. Israeli forward Deni Avdija plays for the Washington Wizards, and former pro Omri Casspi spent years in the league as well. Dolph Schayes was a Jewish standout player in the early days of the modern NBA.

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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.

## Don't Give Criminals the Opportunity

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- Do NOT leave valuables unattended - especially inside your vehicle. Take them inside the house with you or secure them inside your trunk at a separate location.
- The most commonly stolen items are purses, backpacks, cell phones, computers, other electronics, money, credit cards and prescription drugs.
- Record the make, model, and serial number(s) of ALL valuables (pictures too). I recommend the use of the following secure web-site: <http://reportit.leadsonline.com>.
- Thieves often target vehicles in residential neighborhoods after dark. They also tend to target parking lots of hotels, restaurants, gyms and entertainment complexes knowing that many victims leave valuables behind in their vehicles.
- Minimize the amount of cash and number of credit cards that you carry in your purse or wallet.
- Have easy access to a list of your credit cards, account numbers (last 4 digits only) and their contact phone numbers to quickly close the accounts if you become a theft victim. Thieves generally attempt to utilize the cards at stores/gas stations immediately and before you get an opportunity to end their "shopping spree."
- Always monitor your bank accounts, credit card statements and credit reports for unauthorized activity. You are entitled to one free credit report per year from each credit reporting bureau – Experian, Equifax, & Trans Union.
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