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A Message from Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo
Executive Director

To everyone in our Jewish community,

Some observations as the Jewish New Year 5780 is fast approaching. The new year has always been a time for me to reflect on the year that was and to look forward to the new opportunities presented by the year to come. Although it is not the right holiday, this year I am asking myself the question “n*_n'shishnana_?” Why is this year so different from the prior years? Well, on a personal level, I have taken to heart the words of the English writer George Eliot, who is believed to have penned the phrase “It’s never too late to be who you might have been.” I must note that trying to become who I might have been is not an indictment against what I was before, because all of us are the sum of our experiences built upon all our prior experiences. It instead recognizes that the mere passage of time does not impede doing and becoming more. The new year is such an opportunity. Each day brings the chance to pursue a new path, make a new commitment, and think about things in new ways.

On a broader level, this past year has been so different because our social fabric has been torn by divisive diversity of political thoughts and deeds punctuated by horrific gun violence including antisemitic attacks at one time thought impossible in our own country. If we are to be held together as a nation and as Jews, we must continue to search for, share, and celebrate the values that are common to us all. We can and should be diverse in practice and thought, but we need to remember our common communal values. As Jews, we were either actually or metaphorically together at Sinai. We stood together as one nation, one people given a single gift of Torah, a living guide to direct or inspire our lives and our relationships with others. In our deeds and actions, we would all be well-served to remember that we are responsible for one another. Here at the Federation, it is our mission to provide programs and services to enhance the health, welfare, education, and cultural awareness of the entire Jewish community and Israel. It is this mission that we strive to fulfill in all we do, remembering that despite differences, we are responsible for each other.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the Federation and Foundation, and from my family to yours, it is our sincere wish that everyone enjoys a sweet new year filled with good health, prosperity, happiness, and peace. L’shanah tovah.

~Stephen Rothschild
Celebrating 25 Years of the Lion of Judah Endowment

Forever Lion Focus: Nan Cohen

By Jessica Endy

A few years ago Nan Cohen was standing in front of 800 people at a women’s recognition event she was chairing for the Jewish Federation of Cleveland. In that moment, when Nan thought to herself, “How did I get here?, the first thing that came to mind was “Toledo,” despite not having lived here for 35 years.

“The Toledo Jewish community was like a cocoon, a wonderful place to have grown up,” said Nan. “I attended and worked at the JCC camp, participated in youth groups, and was consecrated and confirmed there. Being born and raised in Toledo instilled me with values.”

So when Nan decided she wanted to give additional money to Jewish causes, she reached out to Foundation Director Arleen R. Levine, J.D. Nan chose to include Toledo in her estate plan through a LOJE fund. “Without a strong community, we don’t raise Jewish children. I’m a huge believer in strengthening the Jewish community. It gave me the opportunity to lead in the world in ways I never thought possible.”

“It was such a tremendous joy to see the impact,” said Arleen. “Nan chose to support Toledo. It gave me the opportunity to lead in the world.”

In keeping with her estate planning, Nan honored her mother, Sonia Cohen, z”l, and grandmother, Jean Cohen, z”l, ensuring they would join her in becoming LOJE donors in the city that also meant so much to them. “I endowed their gifts in the future because I can’t think of anything more appropriate. The seeds my grandparents and parents planted in Toledo are seeds I should continue to plant. Our Jewish communities can continue onward only if we endow their future.”

“Nan’s LOJE ensures that every year a gift in her name, as well as her mother and grandmother’s names, will be made to the Annual Campaign,” said Arleen. “So many people and programs will benefit from this generosity for decades to come.”

“I do this professionally, and I live it as well,” added Nan, who is the founder and CEO of Creekside Financial Advisors, LLC, a full-service financial services firm that develops and delivers customized, lifelong financial plans based on individuals’ business and personal objectives. She specializes in retirement income planning, investment planning and estate planning.

“If you’re passionate about something during your lifetime, you should endow it,” said Nan. “You cannot rely on someone else to come along and do it. I am planting seeds for trees I will never see.”

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

Couple establishes fund to assist Jewish Family Service Family Pantry

By Emily Gordon

Marvin Jacobs learned a lot about his fellow Toledoans by working at his father’s grocery store when he was young.

The Busy Bee Market, an “old-timey” grocery store just two blocks from Maconner High School, taught Jacobs how to appropriately price food items, take advantage of sales, and what kind of product and how much of it customers would consume. Decades later, those life lessons still serve him well each time he brings food donations to the Jewish Family Service Family Pantry.

“I’ve always wondered how he could know to donate 12 cans of tuna, for example, or a certain number of jars of peanut butter,” said Marilyn Jacobs, his wife. “It’s all in his head from experience.”

After many years of paying special care and attention to the Family Pantry, the couple decided to establish the Marvin & Marilyn Jacobs Jewish Family Service Family Pantry and Welfare Fund through Toledo Jewish Community Foundation. “I will turn 90 on January 1. I thought that, since I was getting near this age, I may not be able to deliver donations as often. One day, I won’t even be around. I wanted to make sure they had an adequate food pantry there,” he said.

“The Jewish community has been very good to us and has provided so much. It’s our responsibility to give back, to take care of our neighbors,” Marilyn added.

The Family Pantry provides clients food that doesn’t require refrigeration as well as fresh vegetables and personal care products. JFS will receive 5 percent of the Jacobs’s fund annually for future community members’ food and emergency needs.

The welfare component of the fund was important to Marvin because he knows that people can come on hard times and need somewhere to turn to for help, he said. It can be embarrassing, he noted, and JFS helps “very, very discreetly.”

“We trust that our contribution will serve as a beacon of light and hope in the community and further enable JFS to carry out its mission in its usual professional, confidential, and discrete manner,” Marvin said.

JFS staff are very grateful for the Jacobs’s “generous gift and legacy,” said Deb Damschroder, community outreach coordinator.

“On behalf of JFS and those whom this agency serves, we thank Marvin and Marilyn Jacobs for this thoughtful and useful fund that they’ve established, not only for the Family Pantry but also for those in emergent need,” added managing supervisor Shari Bernstein.

The couple has long been supportive of many organizations and nonprofits in the area, volunteering in both the Jewish and greater Toledo communities. Marvin gives blood at the Red Cross and the couple donates to local organizations such as the Toledo Opera Association, Toledo Symphony Orchestra, and the Toledo Museum of Art.

Marvin is a lifelong Toledan and Marilyn, formerly of the Chicago, was welcomed here with open arms when the two married in 1956. They raised their three children, Mark, Jake, and Julie, here and are the proud grandparents of nine grandchildren.

The Jacobs family was active at Temple Shomer Emunim, where Marilyn became the second woman president. Marilyn taught first grade before her children were born.
Jewish Family Service

JFS now offering facility case management

By Emily Gordon

Jewish Family Service has added facility case management to its wide range of services.

Facility case management is designed to provide a professional presence in facilities where senior clients reside, said senior care and community outreach coordinator Deb Damschroder.

The service is for clients in senior residences, independent living residences, assisted living or long-term care facilities, and rehabilitation facilities whose families are out of town or would like help understanding what is said at the clients’ quarterly care conferences. Appropriate staff at the quarterly care conferences might include a nurse, physical therapist, social worker, and dietitian. They tell the patient or their family what they’re working on for the client and why.

“A lot of the facilities don’t have a social worker who can act in this role. Some independent living facilities don’t have social workers, and assisted living facilities don’t have social workers at all,” Damschroder said. “I will go anywhere there is a Jewish senior requesting assistance. I go to clients’ care conferences as their advocate and the clients’ representation and I consult with them and tell them what to expect. I make regular visits monthly or quarterly as needed.”

Many people don’t know they have a right to quarterly care conferences, Damschroder said. Often, they or their families do not know who should be present at those conferences, what questions to ask, and other pertinent information.

In addition to attending conferences, Damschroder discusses issues of concern with facility staff and family members who call with questions regarding appropriate living arrangements for their elderly parent or relative.

For those who do not have any family to fill an advocate role, she steps in to make sure they are getting quality care and attention.

Just her presence ups facility accountability, she added. “We know this client will get better care just by us being there,” Damschroder said. “We know our involvement makes a huge difference and prevents situations that may affect their quality of care. We make sure [staff is] paying attention.”

Not to be confused with care management, where seniors are living in their own homes but need assistance from JFS in maintaining their health and independence, facility case management has become a need in Jewish Toledo, Damschroder explained.

Facility case management is meant for more frail seniors experiencing care issues.

“We were getting calls about certain members of the community checking up on their whereabouts and well-being of people referred to us,” she said.

There are currently 12 clients using the new program.

For more information about facility case management, contact Damschroder at 419-724-0405 or deb@jewishtoledo.org.

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and worked in guidance and counseling when they were older, coordinating programs at Toledo’s Family and Child Abuse Prevention Center. She led a mentoring program through which volunteers recruited at Temple came to McKinley Elementary to tutor students.

Marvin was an attorney, enjoying his job so much that he did not retire until the age of 84. He served on the Sylvania Schools Board of Education and was president for a term, served as treasurer of the Toledo Bar Association, and volunteered during the 100th anniversary of the opening of the Lucas County Courthouse.

Marvin was involved in the Toledo Jewish Historical Society and led the bus tours of old Jewish Toledo.

The couple also spent a lot of time at Pelham, where Marilyn’s mother lived, and Darlington House, where Marilyn’s father and Marvin’s mother lived. Marvin visited seniors there and at other residences for more than 15 years.

The couple has been recognized with several news articles and awards for their numerous contributions to and volunteerism in Toledo.

“We enjoyed a wonderful life here and want more people to enjoy their wonderful lives. We certainly want the Jewish community to be healthy and comfortable. It was and still is a great place to raise a family,” Marilyn said. “We hope it can continue to be a vibrant community and continue to afford our people a welcoming attitude and provide all the wonderful things it provides.”

Foundation was the perfect conduit to making the Jacobs’ goal a reality, Marvin said.

“I would think that a lot of people would be willing to help if they realized there was a way to do it. They may have the money and ideas but don’t know how to go about it,” he said. “If you know what you want to do for and in the Jewish community of Toledo, Foundation is the place to help you set it up. You can talk with people knowledgeable on what the possibilities are for your vision. They make it easy.”

Foundation is honored to be entrusted with the couple’s very meaningful gift, said Arleen R. Levine, Foundation director. “Marvin and Marilyn Jacobs’ legacy gift will help ensure that those in need will receive support from our community,” Levine said. “It’s a beautiful testament to their family values.”

For more information about leaving a legacy gift to Foundation, contact Levine at 419-724-0355 or arleen@jewishtoledo.org.

JFS now offering facility case management
Grandsons of Jewish Toledoans take part in Maccabi Games

Joshua Steinberg is 15 years old and attends Portola High School in Irvine, California, where he plays varsity basketball. This was his first time participating in the Maccabi Games playing basketball. After the games Joshua was named MVP of the Orange County delegation. He is the son of Steven and Sheila Steinberg and the grandson of Buzz and Doris Steinberg of Toledo.

Maccabi Games 2019 in Detroit was a great experience for me as it was full of fun and good competition. I came to Detroit from Orange County, California, for my first taste of this wonderful week. It exceeded my expectations in almost every way. My initial event was the opening ceremony on Sunday evening before the scheduled sports competition began. All of the various teams entered through the tunnel of the Little Caesar’s Arena where the Detroit Pistons play. The competition began the following day. The basketball games we played in were very competitive and there were many talented players that I was excited to match up against. The playoff games were truly amazing. The crowd, the noise, and the surroundings…it was probably my favorite part of the whole trip. During our free time between games, we would watch our friends play different sports such as soccer, volleyball, and basketball.

Another thing I loved about the trip was meeting people from all over the country and the world. An Israeli team participated in the games. I have met many new people at the games and I am keeping in touch with them now and will do so in the future. My host family was also amazing. Every member of the host family did everything possible to make me and my friends as comfortable as possible. It was a great time. There were parties and activities every day after the competition was over for the day. We went to downtown Detroit to a bowling alley/club/karaoke place that was really fun and gave us a chance to interact with new people. Another night we had a pool party with a DJ, dance floor and so many other cool things. I really loved going to the Maccabi Games and I am planning to go again next year in San Diego. If you are 16 or under and eligible to go, then go!

Gavin Isakov is 13 years old and attends Seven Hills in Cincinnati. He played basketball in the Detroit Maccabi Games but also loves to play tennis. He is the son of Lara and Kenneth Isakov and brother of Avital, 17, who played tennis in the Maccabi Games in Columbus two years ago. Gavin is the grandson of Nate and Nancy Danziger of Toledo and Iov and Esther Isakov, ZT”L.

I enjoyed the Maccabi games for many reasons. Surprisingly, the biggest part was not about the sports, win or lose, but about meeting new people from around the world. The host families were amazing and made certain I had everything I needed. Almost every night they had an activity that was fun and exciting. I can’t wait for Maccabi San Diego.

Noah Sperling

Noah Sperling is 16 years old and attends University High School in Irvine, California. This was his fourth time participating in the Maccabi Games playing basketball. Noah is the son of Matt and Dana Sperling, brother of Sam, and grandson of Howard and Corky Parmet of Irvine and Steve and Cathy Sperling of Toledo.

Opening ceremonies were very cool. In the past, I have not enjoyed opening ceremonies because I have found them boring, but this year they were much more interesting. They always show a heart-wrenching video of the Munich Eleven, about the Israeli Olympic athletes killed in 1972. Closing ceremonies were very fun and different. There was a fireworks show at the end, which I had never seen in the prior three years. It was an incredible experience. During the weekend, my delegation of 11 athletes (the second smallest delegation of the games this year) toured the World of Coke and we spent a day at Six Flags. During the week, all of Maccabi went to Nitro zone, an amazingly large arcade, The Georgia Aquarium, and spent the evening with the families who we were staying with.

My feelings at opening ceremonies went through the roof. I was looking for a fun experience, since my older brother always says how Maccabi was one of the best experiences of his life, but I was also pumped to get on the field, since I haven’t been in a game for months. Closing ceremonies were super fun until the feeling hit me when I realized this was the last day of Maccabi for all of us. I would of course recommend Maccabi to other Jewish kids. My team, mainly composed of 15-year-olds and 16-year-olds, took me and two others in like we were a part of them. I felt like there was no separation of age. This being my first Maccabi as an athlete was one of the best experiences of my life and I look forward to future Maccabis.
How you can ensure Israel has a healthy New Year.

If you’re looking to make a difference for Israel and secure the nation’s health and safety this coming year, there’s no better way than through a gift to Magen David Adom, Israel’s emergency medical first responder, ambulance, and blood-services organization.

Please give today.
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Support Magen David Adom at afmda.org/rosh or call 888.674.4871.

You can help fight local hunger!

The Meijer Simply Give campaign runs from August 18 to September 28 at the Central Avenue store which benefits the Jewish Family Service Food Pantry!

You can help by purchasing a $10 card (or multiples of $10) at Meijer during those days.

Make your dollars go ever further! Double Match Days August 30th and September 13th
During these two days, purchasing a $10 card will result in a $30 donation!
Cards also available at Meijer!

The Suzanne & Allan Cohn B’nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program provides hands-on experience and education about philanthropy and non-profit organizations in the Toledo community. Participants learn directly about giving tzedakah by opening their own fund, practicing social action, and being part of a community that models leadership.

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Questions? Contact: Miki Pittman 419-724-0407 or mckenzie@jewishtoledo.org

Temple B’nai Israel in Monroe 141 E. 8th St., Monroe, MI 48161

September Friday Night Services:
September 6 at 7:30 pm
September 20 at 7:30 pm

High Holiday Services:
Sunday, September 29 at 7:30 pm
Monday, September 30 at 10:00 am
Tuesday, October 8 at 7:30 pm
Wednesday, October 9 at 10:00 am, with Yizkor at approximately 4:00 pm following the break
Sunday school to resume after a summer break

Contact Lynne Goodman at irvlock@sbcglobal.net or 734-731-7432 or Harris Sacks at harrissacks@comcast.net with any questions. Everyone is welcome to attend.

A Little Temple with a Big Heart
Active Life for 60 and Better

Active Learners Day
Thursday, Sept. 12
B’nai Israel – 6525 Sylvania Ave

Registration is required by Friday, Sept. 6
$10 per person includes lunch and all materials

We’re taking everything you enjoy from our Active Learners series and combining it into a day filled with thought-provoking and engaging topics. Come for the speakers and leave inspired to live and age well.

9:30 a.m. – 10 a.m.
Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:45 a.m. – 10 a.m.
Program begins

10 a.m.
“How Perfect is the Text of the Hebrew Bible?”
With Dr. Yonatan Miller

11 a.m.
“What’s My Next Chapter?”
With Janet Miller MA, LPCC

12 p.m.
Lunch

12:30 p.m.
“Finding My Badass Self: A Year of Truths and Dares”
With Author Sherry Stanfa-Stanley

1:45 p.m.
“Drumming: What to do with all my Stuff?”
With Karen Lucas OR
“Mature Driving”
With Lt. Shaun Robinson

2:45 p.m.
Closing Remarks with Stephen Rothchild

To register for a Jewish Living Center Program, please call Stephanie Hinamon at 419-531-2119 #2 or email registration@jewishtoledo.org.

For questions about a program, please call Rene Rusgo at 419-531-2119 #1 or email rene@JewishToledo.org.

For complete itinerary, check out www.jewishtoledo.org/60andBetter/out-and-about

This is what Get Fit looks like!

Jewish Living Center offers several exercise classes that fit your activity level. Be like these smiling faces and … Get Fit!

Beyond the Homepage: Jewish Toledo App

Monday, Sept. 16
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Sekach Building, 6505 Sylvania Ave.

Registration is required by Monday, Sept. 9

Jewish Toledo has gone mobile! We are very excited to introduce this new way to access information about classes and events in Jewish Toledo. Stop in between classes to get help with downloading the app and learning how to navigate the various features. You will need to bring your phone and device you use most often for accessing the internet.

Healthy Living

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

MONDAY
9 a.m. – 10 a.m. AND 11 a.m. - noon
Get Fit…It’s Never Too Early
Your favorite class kicks off your day with a comprehensive workout featuring cardio, strength, and flexibility. Balls, bands, chairs, and light weights are used in this class. Join us for great moves and great music. All supplies are provided. Free.

1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Drumming
A full-body workout for any fitness level that anyone can do. Drumsticks are pounded on exercise balls and clinked overhead and side-to-side to upbeat music that will have you moving in step and around the circle. This class keeps you active and gives your core a great workout. All supplies are provided.

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

To use any of the above services, just fill out a simple and quick Client Registration Form. To learn more about the Jewish Living Center, call 419-531-2119 #1 or visit JewishToledo.org. The Jewish Living Center is supported by the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo and Jewish Seniors Services Supporting Organization.
Jewish Living Center

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:
Annual Latke Luncheon
Thursday, Dec. 12
12 p.m.
Congregation B’nai Israel, 6525 Sylvania Ave.
$5 per person, includes lunch and entertainment
Registration and payment requested by Friday, Nov. 22

Celebrate the festival of lights with a celebratory Hanukkah lunch and wonderful entertainment from local musicians. Registration is already open, so tell your family and friends to join us for a great afternoon of socializing as we kick off the holiday.

Drawing and Painting Class
Wednesdays
2 p.m.–4 p.m.
Board room in Sekach Building
All supplies are provided

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

Kosher Fall Shopping and Lunch in Detroit
Thursday, Sept. 19
6:30 p.m. Depart from Jewish Living Center (Sekach Bldg.)
6505 Sylvania Ave.
4 p.m. Approximate return time to JLC
Registration is required by Friday, Sept. 6 – limited seats

It is that time again to get ready for the fall chagim! Let’s go north and bring your own reusable shopping bags and coolers to One Stop Kosher Grocery Store, Zeman’s Kosher Bakery, Kroger’s, and Harvard Row Kosher butcher shop. Lunch will be on your own at our mystery location. Please call ahead to Harvard Row (248-539-8806) and Zeman’s (248-967-3905) to place your order for pick up. Please make sure to bring along enough reusable and insulated shopping bags for all your shopping needs.

Be a part of the Jewish Living Center:
Pick the event(s) you want to participate in.
Register by the registration deadline to join the fun.
Call us at 419-531-2119 #2 or email Stephanie@JewishToledo.org

Be a part of the Jewish Living Center for 60 and better
The Jewish Living Center (JLC) is a fresh, holistic approach to how we look at aging and how we view ourselves as we age. We strive to make the JLC the place where you come when you want to learn about something new and exciting. Where you can try out the newest trends in movement and exercise. Where technology is just a touch away. Where adventure takes you places. Where you gather with your old friends and make new ones. Where you can feel comfortable being yourself.

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

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

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Travel Guidelines

1. Very leisurely pace, minimal physical activity.

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

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

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

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

Israel Legacy Trip

Wednesday, April 22 — Wednesday, May 6

To receive an itinerary, call Rene or Stephanie at 419-531-2119

The Jewish Living Center of Greater Toledo is pleased to present the Israel Legacy Trip for those 60 and better. Your trip begins the morning of April 22 with a luxury motor coach ride to Toronto, Canada, to depart on Air Canada in the afternoon. We will arrive in Israel on April 23.

Have your cameras at the ready as we will be visiting Tel Aviv, Western and Upper Galilee, and Jerusalem. Tours will include exploring Levinsky Market, Masada, the Dead Sea, street graffiti, and museums. We’ll also have a day exploring with our Partnership Region. We will travel by plane, bus, car, and camel.

This will be a journey of sights, sounds, tastes, and emotions. We will be traveling during Yom Hazikaron and Yom Ha’atzmaut to experience these holidays. This tour requires travelers to be physically fit. If you have any questions on the physicality of this trip, please call us.

Amiel Tours, founded in 1976 by Chuzi Amiel, is a family-owned Israel tour company. A nine-time recipient of the Distinguished Promot er of Tourism Award, Amiel is one of the largest and most respected providers of travel services in Israel today. Each year, the Amiel team helps over 100,000 visitors experience Israel. The tour guides are knowledgeable professionals and licensed by the Ministry of Tourism.

Stratford, Ontario

Tuesday, September 24 & Wednesday, September 25

September in Stratford is beautiful. The hustle and bustle of the summer has dissipated. We want you to enjoy the beauty of the theatre and calm air in Stratford, Ontario, Canada.

We will dine in this lovely little town and see some of the best productions that Stratford has to offer.

The Festival Theatre: Dreams don’t come at the Billy Elliot the Musical food – human blood. Its own, and it thrives on only one problem: the plant has ambitions of fame and fortune. There’s only one worker Audrey – until a mysterious offer.

Stratford, Ontario, Canada.

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• Trips are sent free - please consider the amount of perfume, cologne, and other fragrances you wear.
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• Tour itinerary subject to change.

You MUST have a current passport with the recommended 6 months from travel date. Minimum 22 registrations required.
September is National Tay-Sachs Awareness Month —
why genetic carrier testing is important

By Hillary Kener Regelman

Tay-Sachs is likely the most well-known Jewish genetic disease, thanks to the large-scale public health awareness campaign throughout the 1970’s and 1980’s. During that time, screening for Tay-Sachs became so widespread and mainstream that the prevalence of the devastating disease within the Jewish community was reduced by ninety percent. Now, it’s our job to make sure the children of the generation that had previously been screened are aware of the importance of getting tested for Tay-Sachs, as well as many other diseases for which testing is now available.

JScreen is a national effort based out of Emory University’s Department of Human Genetics that offers testing for over 200 different genetic conditions with a convenient at-home saliva sample. This can help anyone thinking about starting a family know if they are carriers for genetic conditions in order to prevent diseases like Tay-Sachs in their offspring. We often hear parents with children of childbearing age say, “my child doesn’t need to do it because I had it done,” which is not true because they were likely only screened for one disease, and the panel has grown exponentially. Another statement we often hear is, “only one of my parents is Jewish so I don’t have to worry,” which also not true. Being a carrier of Tay-Sachs disease (and many of the other diseases) is more common in Jews, but is still seen across other ethnicities, making screening important for interfaith couples as well.

When a person screens through JScreen, licensed genetic counselors deliver the results to participants by phone or secure teleconference, providing the opportunity for the person (or couple) to have their questions answered. It’s important to point out that the majority of couples receive reassuring results. For those who are at increased risk, there are many available options, such as in-vitro fertilization (IVF) with pre-implantation genetic diagnosis (PGD), to help them plan ahead for healthy children.

Everyone should take it upon themselves to become an ambassador of genetic screening by telling a friend, family member, or colleague in order to help make it top-of-mind for the Jewish community. To learn more about JScreen visit www.JScreen.org.

Reflections from the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies Conference

Community member Cathy Sperling attended the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies Conference in Cleveland in last month. A Toledo native, Sperling is very interested in genealogy and has facilitated several workshops for the Toledo Jewish community. She has been researching her family for the last 10 years and published three family history books. Additionally, she chaired Congregation B’nai Israel’s Oral History Project in 2016, heading a committee of 20 interviewers who interviewed 50 CBI members. The result was a published book available at the CBI gift shop. Below are Sperling’s reflections from her time at the conference.

What was the IAJGS Conference like?

It was an incredible experience. There were 850 people in attendance at the Cleveland Hilton from 16 countries and 36 states. I attended a one-day educator’s track and a second day on various subjects. There were over 280 workshops, presentations, special interest group meetings, and research group meetings over the five days of the conference. Additionally, various local and international historical societies, organizations, vendors, and genealogists were available and offered expert advice and services.

What sessions did you attend?

The opening plenary featured a fascinating keynote presentation called Jews in Music by Daniel Goldmark, a Case Western Reserve University professor of popular music. Since most of the attendees were baby boomers like me, it quickly turned into a rousing sing-along, which we all thoroughly enjoyed. I attended nine sessions in two days.

Since I’ve been interested and involved in my own research for the last 12 years, I was eager to attend sessions to learn new information. My recently published family history books cover my maternal, paternal, and in-laws’ families from the time they left their Eastern European homes and arrived in America. Now, it is time for me to research their roots. I attended workshops on locating ancestral towns on historic maps, history and geography tools for research, researching ancestors lost in the Shoah, and exploring cemetery records.

What other interesting things did you learn?

One of the opportunities I took advantage of was meeting with translators to read various items I had from my grandparents. I have a photo of a couple, but I don’t know who they are. The woman looks very much like a cousin of my father’s and the photo has a photographer’s stamp, but I couldn’t read it. I assumed it was in Polish but wasn’t sure. I met with a Polish translator and found out that it was from Deblin, a town outside of Warsaw, near Lublin. So, now I have another clue.

I met with a Romanian translator because I have what I thought was my grandfather’s birth certificate. It turns out that it wasn’t his but his older brother’s, who never made it to Toledo with his family. At one session, I met a young man sitting next to me who coincidentally happened to be Todd Remer, son of Arnie and Marlene Remer. It’s a small world when you’re Jewish.
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NJG Ladies Book Club
Thursday, Sept. 26
7:30 p.m.
Federation’s Leonard Lounge
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Calling all ladies! Join us for our next book club meeting where we will be discussing “The Marriage of Opposites” by Alice Hoffman. Haven’t read the book yet? Don’t worry! Come have a glass of wine and help us choose our next book.

NJG Trivia Nights
It’s your favorite night out and you know the drill…free trivia, appetizers on us, and drinks on you! Trivia starts at 7 p.m., make sure to arrive by 6:45 p.m. (reservation will be under Hallie Freed).
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Bring your yarn to Federation’s Leonard Lounge on the dates below and get ready to yak. These meet-ups are free and coffee and pastries will be provided. Any questions? Contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or Hallie@JewishToledo.org.

Thursday, Sept. 26 from 1 – 3 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 24 from 1 – 3 p.m.
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Sunday, Sept. 22
3 – 4:30 p.m.
Rosenbloom Farms (address provided upon RSVP)
$10 per family by 9/13, $15 after – Includes farm tour, hay ride, and snacks

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Organizations work together on creating international Sister City relationship

By Emily Gordon

Northwest Ohioans and visitors to the area have long wondered if there is a connection between Toledo, Ohio, and Toledo, Spain, to explain the Ohio city's chosen name. The answer has never been clear, but an official relationship between the two cities has existed since 1931, when they became Sister Cities.

According to Toledo Sister Cities International, the match predated the concept and institution of Sister Cities and was the first of its kind in the world.

Since then, Toledo has enjoyed 12 Sister City relationships between cities in 10 countries, with plans to add Akko (Acre), Israel, to that list in the near future.

John Glaza, TSCI treasurer and Board of Trustees member, pitched the idea to make Akko one of Toledo’s sister cities.

Inspired by his work as chair of the Israel Advocacy task force in Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo’s Jewish Community Relations Council, Glaza thought it would be a great idea to foster such a connection between Toledo and a city in Israel, with Federation serving as the Sister City sponsor.

Akko was selected as it is within Federation’s partnership region, the Western Galilee Partnership 2Gether, through the Jewish Agency for Israel and the Jewish National Fund. Such positives include both places being port cities, having growing communities, rich glass histories, and diverse populations, he said.

Akko has a diverse population of Jews and Arabs, where Jewish, Muslim, and Christian residents live and work together in harmony, as well as those who are Druze and Bahá’ís.

Toledoans might not realize all the commonalities the two cities share, Glaza said.

“To me, what Israel needs is people in northwest Ohio to get to know Israel person to person. There’s just so much misinformation out there about Israel that the only way to really get to know it and its people is to know them personally,” he said.

“This allows Toledoans to understand, celebrate, and learn what Israel is all about, and vice versa. Not just Jewish community of Toledo and of Akko but all residents of both places to learn about each other, people to people.”

In 2011, Hyderabad, Pakistan, and Toledo became Sister Cities, marking medical tourism, educational training (especially of medical students), and investment as mutual benefit priorities, said Dr. Anwer Ali, TSCI trustee, who led the effort to create the relationship.

A Toledo-Akko relationship could create similar benefits, or others.

“The three areas we hope each city would benefit from a sister city relationship are economic development (business, jobs, development, investment, exchange of ideas), education, and culture,” Ali said.

However, the beneficial possibilities are endless, said Glaza.

“Every single person in the world says it’s the benefits of a sister city relationship are to be defined. You create a relationship and let it grow, let it feed off of itself. This is the starting point. You put positive input and it grows,” he said. “It’s kind of like a marriage. What are both parties to do to mold the relationship grow? How willing are you to work together? It’s all to be defined. It’s based on passion and commitment. To try to define it is to limit it.”

James Hartung, TSCI president, said since the structure needed to support such a relationship is in place, including having a sponsor and supportive committee in Federation, the proposed Toledo-Akko relationship could become something of a Sister Cities example to the world.

“Each project creates more avenues for greater collaboration by understanding commonalities and putting heads together to come up with something greater than that. I want an Akko-Toledo relationship to be the poster child of what a Sister City relationship is all about,” Hartung said. “We want to show the ideal package of how a Sister City relationship can grow and create peace through. We have a willing local sponsor here in Federation, hopefully we will have one in Akko, and we’ll get to watch the magic that’ll occur.”

Sister City relationships are made through a mayor-to-mayor agreement that states the intent of two cities to enter into a municipal partnership for mutual benefit.

Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz is “foursquare behind our development of a relationship with Akko,” Glaza said.

Hopefully, Kapszukiewicz and Akko Mayor Shimon Lankri or their delegations will visit each other’s city in the near future and talk about the steps needed to make the proposed relationship reality.

In the meantime, Albert Ben Shlomo and Dolev Ben Ami, representatives from P2G and Akko, visited Toledo in January, meeting with members of Toledo city council and Catherine Cosby, the mayor’s chief of staff.

They also enjoyed a tour of Toledo which included stops at Great Lakes Maritime Museum, the Glass Pavilion at the Toledo Museum of Art, and a reception at Temple Shomer Emunim.

Hans Ersepke, TSCI vice president of programs, is thrilled to watch the process of two points of the world finding common ground and forging a relationship.

“Toledo is as America is a melting pot, but one that never forgets where people are from. It’s a strength to have,” Ersepke said. “I really believe in our mission. We’re on the ground meeting people, there’s no ethnicity discrimination. We can make some leaps internationally.”

At the time of publishing of this article, Hans Ersepke passed away. He will be missed by his friends and colleagues at TSCI.
**Temple Shomer Emunim**

**September Worship Schedule**
- **Friday, September 6th**
  - Shabbat Service 6:00PM
- **Friday, September 13th**
  - Shabbat Service 6:00PM
- **Saturday, September 14th**
  - Shabbat Service 10:30AM
  - Bar Mitzvah of Wyatt Tuschman
- **Friday, September 20th**
  - Shabbat Service 6:00PM
- **Friday, September 27th**
  - Shabbat Service 6:00PM

**Coffee with the Clergy**
- Wednesdays, Sept. 4 & 18
  - @ 11:00AM

**Religious School Calendar**
- Sun. Aug. 25
  - Religious School 9:15AM
  - Temple Tots 9:30AM
- Wed. Sept. 4
  - Hebrew School 4:20PM
- Sun. Aug. 25
  - Religious School 9:15AM
- Wed. Sept. 4
  - Hebrew School 4:20PM
- Sun. Sept. 8
  - Religious School 9:15AM
- Wed. Sept. 11
  - Hebrew School 4:20PM
- Sun. Sept. 15
  - Religious School 9:15AM
- Wed. Sept. 18
  - Hebrew School 4:20PM
- Sun. Sept. 22
  - Religious School 9:15AM
- Wed. Sept. 25
  - Hebrew School 4:20PM
- Sun. Sept. 29
  - No Religious School

**CBI High Holiday Services Schedule**

**High Holiday Worship Schedule**
- **Saturday, September 21st**
  - Selichot Dessert Reception 8:00PM
  - Havdalah & Selichot Service 8:30PM at Temple
- **Sunday, September 22nd**
  - Erev Rosh Hashanah Service 7:30PM
- **Monday, September 23rd**
  - Family Service (with Shofar Choir) 9:00AM
  - Followed by Tashlich at the JCC Lake
  - Rosh Hashanah Morning Service 10:00AM
  - Children’s Program (K-4) 10:00AM
- **Sunday, October 6th**
  - Kol Nidre

**CBI Events**

**THE WOMEN OF CBI Celebrate Rosh Chodesh Elul**
- Thursday, September 5, 2019
- 5:30 p.m.
- **“Memories & Challah”**
- A LIGHT DINNER WILL BE SERVED.
- Cost is $5, payable at the door.
- RSVP by Sept. 1st to judyweinberg@bex.net or judyweinberg@bex.net.
- Please include your favorite Rosh Hashanah recipe to your RSVP email.

**THE WOMEN OF CBI Present 2019 Opening Brunch**
- Saturday, September 14, 2019
- 10:00 a.m.
- **“Making Rosh Hashanah the Sweetest Possible”**
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- Contribution is $5 per person.
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**Daily Services Schedule**
- **Monday - Friday**: 7:00 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.
- **Saturday**: 9:30 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.
- Sunday Minyan resumes on Sept. 8, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

**David S. Stone Religious School**

**David S. Stone Religious School Calendar - Fall 2019**

**Religious School Begins on Sunday, September 8, 2019 at 9:30 AM**

- **Sunday, September 8, 2019**
  - 9:00AM: Shabbat Services at 9:00AM
  - 10:00AM: Sukkot Services at 10:00AM

**THE WOMEN OF CBI PRESENT THE Gift Shop Grand Re-Opening**
- Sunday, September 15, 2019
- 10:00 a.m.
- **“Let’s Have Dinner” Before Services**
- **Erev Rosh Hashanah**
  - Sunday, September 29th at 5:30PM
  - Temple Members
  - Adults: $20
  - Children 10 & Under: $10
- **In-town non-members**
  - Adults: $28
  - Children 10 & Under: $19
  - Children under 3 are free
  - Matzah Ball Soup, Challah, Braised Short Ribs, Rosemary Chicken, Pomegranate Glazed Salmon, Rice & Noodle Casserole, Fresh Green Beans, Salads
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**Break Fast**
- Wednesday, Oct. 9th after Concluding Services
- Adults: $18
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- Children 10 & Under $19
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Sukkot & Simchat Torah Services

Sisterhood News

Jewish Mindfulness & Meditation
Techniques to de-stress a stressful life

Rabbi Dr. Laibl Wolf

Pardon Me: The ethics of forgiveness
 Presented by Rabbi Shermont

Sunday, September 22 at 10 a.m.

Tuesday, September 24 at 7 p.m.

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