Dear friends,

Before we know it, at sundown on September 6, we will begin the High Holiday season. Some will say that the holidays are “early” this year. They are never early. The holidays are the same day every year—Rosh Hashanah always begins on the first of Tishrei. It only seems to be early because of the secular calendar.

Whether the holiday is “early” or “late,” its arrival reminds us of the passage of time and brings with it a chance to examine our lives and think about the year ahead. At JFGT, we can look back on another successful year of dedicated efforts to our mission of providing programs and services that enhance the health, welfare, education, and cultural awareness of the entire Jewish community and Israel. We can pursue these efforts only because of your steadfast support and participation. No one knows what the future holds for any of us. There are potential bumps in the road that lies ahead, but we are traveling the road together and that makes all the difference.

On behalf of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo, its Executive Officers, Board of Directors, and all of our dedicated staff, we wish everyone a sweet New Year filled with good health, happiness, prosperity, and peace.

Laurie Gross, President
Stephen Rothschild, Executive Director
Soups for Sukkot

Sunday, September 19
12 - 1:30p.m.
Federation Campus
Sekach Building Patio

FREE event – please bring canned soups for the Food Pantry

Celebrate Sukkot in a fresh and yummy way!
Join us for lunch and gather supplies to make your own soups at home!

RSVP by Monday, September 13 to:
registration@jewishtoledo.org with number attending and any food allergies.
Any questions? Contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org

Northwest Ohio Jewish Book Festival 2021

Save the Dates!

NOVEMBER 1, 2021 THROUGH NOVEMBER 11, 2021

NOVEMBER 1
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NOVEMBER 11

Contact Hallie Freed for more information at hallie@jewishtoledo.org
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How to contribute to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo/Toldeo Jewish Community Foundation

- Donate online at www.jewishtoledo.org
- Text to Donate: Text 44321 to 419-724-0371 or email her at tina@JewishToledo.org for stock or IRA gifts
- Call Tina Stieben at 419-724-0371 or email her at tina@JewishToledo.org for stock or IRA gifts

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

Gift Policy Statement

Regarding Donations of Stock

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

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

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

After being notified that a gift of stock has been made, either from the donor or a stockbroker, the stock will then transfer into the Federation’s account and Federation will sell the stock. The net proceeds of the sale of stock will be applied against any outstanding pledges for the individual. The donor will be notified, in writing, what the net proceeds were.

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

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

IRA Charitable Rollover Checks

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

Personal Credit Card & Check Payment Deadlines

Credit card payment information must be received at Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo by 12 Noon Monday, December 27, 2021 for 2021 tax purposes. As stated above, payments by check need only be postmarked December 31, 2021 for 2021 tax purposes, or you can make payments online at www.JewishToledo.org by midnight on December 31, 2021. Please call the accounting department before 2:00 pm at 419-724-0366 to process a credit card payment over the phone.

This Rosh Hashanah, How Will You Answer The Shofar’s Call?

Over the course of Rosh Hashanah, the blast of the shofar calls to us – not just once, but 200 times – rousing us to a higher purpose. This year, that purpose could not be more clear. And the summons to answer that call has never been more urgent.

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Toledo Jewish News accepts ads, artwork and all editorial copy by disc or e-mail only, at paul@JewishToledo.org. Photographs and discs may also be dropped off at the Toledo Jewish News office. Thank you for your cooperation.
Toledo Jewish Community Foundation

The excitement of the first shofar blast

The sweet taste of an apple dipped in honey

The blessing of a New Year

What will you pass down to future generations?

For the Jewish New Year, you can inspire future generations of Jews with your legacy gift. Planning now will secure the education of our children, make certain our elderly will always be cared for, and assure that the Jewish traditions and culture we hold dear will live on and flourish. Shana Tova and may your legacy be a blessing.

For more information, contact Arleen R. Levine, Director, Toledo Jewish Community Foundation, 419-724-0355 or Arleen@jewishtoledo.org.
Camp Inspiration

Camp Inspiration was a fun-filled, four-day adventure. Thank you to the Inspiration Fund donors and to all of our Jewish Toledo families who participated.

Photography by Abby Hoicowitz
Summer Shindig Spectacular

On the most beautiful day of the summer, Jewish Toledo came together for a Summer Shindig with more than 200 attendees - the biggest in-person Federation event in over 17 months. The food and drinks were delicious, the games were a blast, and the company was wonderful. Thank you for showing your Jewish Toledo pride!
Summer Shindig Spectacular

Summer Shindig Scavenger Hunt

Before the Shindig, many community members took part in a fun scavenger hunt that led them to local synagogues, libraries, and businesses of great importance to Jewish Toledo. Every team was a winner!
Ahava is a program of the Jewish Federation and Foundation of Greater Toledo that is managed by Jewish Family and Social Services and has provided a lifeline since 2016 to Jewish families in Greater Toledo who are raising children with special needs and simply want to be able to access the best care possible for their children.

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

For more information about Ahava, please contact Shari Bernstein at sharib@jewishtoledo.org or 419-885-2561.
JLC is pleased to announce the virtual return of our popular exercise classes!

JLC Exercise Now on Jewish Toledo YouTube Channel!

Missing all your favorite exercise classes because you don’t have Facebook? Now you can simply go to YouTube anytime you want and not have to deal with Facebook at all. Like Facebook, all your classes will still be on Facebook! We are now offering two platforms where you can get your exercise classes from, YouTube and Facebook!

You can exercise when you want, YouTube is open to everyone who wants to keep moving and stay healthy!

Here is how you can find the Jewish Toledo YouTube Channel: Just go to the www.jewishtoledo.org website, then click on Get Involved at the top of the page, click on 60 and Better and then look for the button that says Exercise Videos – it will take you directly to YouTube. Once on the page you can bookmark it.

What classes can you expect to find on our Jewish Toledo JLC YouTube Channel:

**Ballet Fusion**
This combination class brings together basic ballet and Tai Chi to give you a complete workout. Focusing on your core for balance and strength and full range of motion to increase flexibility and breathing.

**Foundation Fitness**
This challenging, calisthenic-style workout is designed to develop your muscular strength and endurance from the ground up. Focus will be on foot and ankle strength and mobility, healthy posture and pelvic floor tone, and core strength and breathing.

**Get Fit**
This exercise class offers you great music and great moves that will give you a comprehensive workout that includes cardio, strength, and flexibility. Balls, bands, chairs, and light weights are used in the class.

**Drumming**
A full body workout for any fitness level. You will need: drumsticks or wooden spoons and an exercise ball. The upbeat music keeps you moving and gives your core a great workout!

All our exercise classes are taught by Eileen Sargent. Eileen has been an integral part of the health & wellness program at Jewish Living Center for 28 years. She is licensed in Dance Therapy and Kinesiotherapy. She also has a certification in Corrective Exercise and is licensed to teach Zumba. Eileen stays active by participating in local runs and spending time with her grandchildren.

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

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**Pacesetter Park Walking Group**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays**
10 – 11 a.m.

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


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

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Still Traveling:
Breathtaking Barcelona
Four Mondays, October 4, 11, 18 & 25

2-3:15pm (ET) on Zoom

Let virtual trip leader James Sokol zoom you to this beautiful, vibrant, colorful city to meet and “tour” with our fantastic, professional, local guide Marta, who will share her passion for and knowledge of different aspects of this exciting city.

“Trips” include:
• Introduction: The Country, the Region, the City (Oct 4)
• Gaudi: A Modernist Master (Oct 11)
• La Sagrada Familia (Oct 18)
• The Jewish Quarter (Oct 25)

For details and tickets: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/still-traveling-breathtaking-barcelona-tickets-163708834531?aff=JLCToledo

**Four Tuesdays, October 5, 12, 19 & 26**

2-3:15pm (ET) on Zoom

Welcome to our virtual tours about the Spanish masters of painting with works hanging in one of the most important museums in the world: Madrid’s Prado! Let virtual trip leader James Sokol zoom you to Spain for a guided visit of important paintings from the 16th to the 19th centuries. With Marta - our professional guide and then look for the button that says Exercise Videos – it will take you directly to YouTube. Once on the page you can bookmark it.

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**Zumba**
Featuring various dances from flamenco to samba, Eileen will get those hips shaking and feet moving. Dance routines are customized for our 60 & Better participants by our very own licensed Zumba instructor.

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

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

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

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RSVP to any or all events to Hallie@Jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0362. Please notify us of any dietary issues at least one week prior to the event.

Bagels in the Park - Sukkot Edition

Sunday, September 26
Toledo Botanical Gardens, Secret Forest – 5403 Elmer Rd.
12p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
FREE – for families with children 12 and under.

Schmooze, play, and eat bagels! Meet us by the picnic tables for bagels and fruit.

Please let us know if you require any accommodations to make our programming accessible to your family.

RSVP by Friday, September 24 to registration@jewishtoledo.org

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

Camp Wise Bus Return
includes lots of hugs for family members, both human and furry

This summer, 34 young campers received a total of over $62,000 in “Experience a Memorable Overnight Jewish Initiative (EMOJI) funding from the Jewish Federation and Foundation of Greater Toledo to attend Jewish summer camp. Visit JewishToledo.org/emoji for more information.
Next Jewish Generation

Programs especially for post-college to young families.

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

Not Just A Bond With Israel

Invest: The Israel Bonds High Holy Days Appeals
israelbonds.com

Sweet!

Have you heard the buzz?

Rene Rusgo is the proud new owner of Learning Express Toys of Sylvania! She’s busy as a bee remodeling and can’t wait to open this Fall. Please follow Learning Express of Sylvania on Facebook, Instagram and Tiktok for grand opening details and updates!

Shana Tova!

Promenade Shops - 5577 Monroe Street - Sylvania
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Suite Sukkot Celebration
Saturday, September 18

Game starts at 5:05 p.m
Suite will open at 4:30 p.m.
Fifth Third Field
$20 per person – includes game ticket, dinner, and drinks
Limit of 18 people – no walk-ins

Grab your baseball hat and meet Next JGen in our own Fifth Third Field suite as the Toledo Mud Hens battle the Columbus Clippers.

Once you are registered, tickets will be placed in your name at will call for pick up on the day of the event.

RSVP required by Friday, September 10. Register at: https://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/mudhens

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

Saturday, October 2

Foodology Toledo – 2059 W. Laskey Rd.
6 – 9 p.m.
$30 per person – includes cooking demo, dinner, and drinks

Join Next JGen for a delicious night of fun!
Learn knife skills and knife safety, while enjoying some take-out favorites of Asian cuisine.

Space is limited. RSVP and payment due by Friday, September 24:
https://form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/cooking

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

Next JGen is a staple of Jewish life in the Toledo area, existing to draw wonderful, dynamic, young Jewish people together for the greater benefit of the community. From Hebrew Happy Hours to date nights to volunteer opportunities, Young Jewish Toledo provides a range of opportunities for young Jewish professionals 21-40. These future leaders of Jewish Toledo are continuously strengthening personal connections while participating in – and perpetuating – Jewish life in Toledo. To find out more about how you or someone you know can get involved with Young Jewish Toledo, contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org
The National Education Association (NEA), the nation's largest professional employee organization, recently debated two anti-Israel resolutions at its annual conference. Neither resolution passed.

In early July, two anti-Israel “new business items,” or resolutions, were slated for consideration at NEA's annual conference, the Representative Assembly. One of these, New Business Item 29, called on NEA to express its “support for the Palestinian struggle” against Israel and accused Israel of “ethnic cleansing.” This new business item was voted down decisively, with 77% of delegates voting against and only 23% in favor. The second resolution, New Business Item 51, which called for the NEA to officially partner with the inflammatory anti-Israel campaign, “No Way to Treat a Child,” was tabled and sent to committee for the issue to come up again next year, somebody would have to propose it again.

The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) applauds the NEA’s stance on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, explained Dan Greenberg, a member of the Board Directors for both the Ohio Education Association and the NEA, as well as President of the Sylvia Education Association. “NEA has over three million members, and the two New Business Items were brought to the delegation by just 50 members for each item. The one item that was debated was soundly defeated and leaders from state affiliates, including Ohio, were clear in their opposition.”

Before the NEA conference began, the Ohio delegation held a meeting to discuss the two resolutions. They took a stance opposing both New Business Items 29 and 51, with over 90% of the Ohio delegates voting to oppose these anti-Israel resolutions.

At around this time, JCRC informed select local teachers about these anti-Israel resolutions and encouraged them to vote against them at the annual conference.

With affiliate organizations in every state and in more than 14,000 communities across the United States, the NEA is committed to advancing the cause of public education and opportunity for all students. “While I wholeheartedly wish that my fellow NEA members would not seek to entangle NEA in a highly sensitive, divisive topic such as this,” Dan reflected, “I am extremely proud of the way the vote went and the overwhelming opposition from my friends and colleagues in Ohio.”

If you have any questions or would like to get involved in JCRC’s Israel advocacy and engagement work, please contact Daniel Pearlman, JCRC Director, at 419-724-0315 or daniel@jewishtoledo.org.

**THE CHALLENGE OF ANTISEMITISM**

Sunday, October 24 at 7 p.m. • Program via Zoom

Jewish Community Relations Council of Jewish Federation in partnership with Temple Shomer Emunim, Congregation B’hai Israel, and Congregation Etz Chayim present:

A lecture with Jonathan S. Tobin, Editor in Chief of the Jewish News Syndicate (JNS)

*The challenge of anti-Semitism: why Jews must confront both left and right-wing anti-Semitism*

The Jewish News Syndicate — JNS.org — is an international wire service covering the Jewish world and Israel. On a daily basis, Mr. Tobin's writing covers the American political scene, foreign policy, the U.S.-Israel relationship, Middle East diplomacy, and the Jewish world. He's also a senior contributor for The Federalist, and a columnist for Newsweek, the New York Post, Haaretz, and Israel Hayom, as well as writing regularly for other publications such as the Washington Examiner and Commentary magazine.

‘All politics is local’: Forging bipartisan relationships to support the Jewish community

By Daniel Pearlman, JCRC Director

The phrase “all politics is local” could not be truer, particularly regarding a recently passed Ohio Senate bill that was inspired by events that took place here in Sylvania. In October 2019, a Muslim student athlete named Noor Alexandrina Abukaram, who competed for Northview High School, was disqualified from a race because she was wearing a hijab. The Ohio High School Athletic Association required athletes to obtain a waiver to wear clothing for religious purposes, and her coach had not obtained a waiver.

When Ohio Senator Theresa Gavarone, whose district includes Sylvania, heard about this incident, she was inspired to sponsor a bill to ensure it does not happen again. Senate Bill 181 seeks to bar schools and athletic conferences from preventing student athletes from wearing religious apparel while playing sports. It passed in the Senate in early June in a unanimous bipartisan vote, and it will soon move to the House of Representatives.

“When I first read about what happened to one of Ohio’s student-athletes, I was stunned,” remarked Senator Gavarone. “No student should have to choose between a sport they love or their religion; and that is what the end result of this bill will be. I truly appreciate the support for Senate Bill 181 by the Jewish Federation and Foundation of Greater Toledo and many other organizations as we work to get it across the finish line.”

The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) applauds the passage of this bill in the Senate and hopes for its quick passage in the House so that Governor Mike DeWine can sign it into law. We strongly believe that this is a First Amendment issue; students have the right to compete in accordance with their religious beliefs.

There is another bipartisan bill focused on religious students that was introduced in the Ohio House.

Representatives Gary Click and Jessica Miranda are co-sponsoring House Bill 353 that seeks to require institutions of higher education to adopt a policy providing students with religious accommodations, permitting a student to be absent for up to three days each academic year to observe religious holidays with no penalty. It would also require that students be provided with alternative accommodations during examination periods. This bill is modeled after similar bills that have passed in other states.

Our partners at Ohio Jewish Communities (OJC), which repre...
Politics continued from previous pages

ts Ohio’s eight Jewish Federations, their partners and agencies on a range of state, federal, and international issues in Columbus and in Washington, DC, are working with elected officials from both parties to get these bills passed. This comes several months after Ohio Governor Mike DeWine created the Ohio Holocaust & Genocide Memorial & Education Commission by amending it into the Capital Budget. Thanks in part to efforts from OJC, this year’s Ohio budget is funding the Commission at $200,000/year ($400,000 total), which is double the initial proposed amount by the House.

Among its responsibilities, the Holocaust commission can take inventory of current statewide Holocaust and genocide memorial and education programs and initiatives, and propose programming to fill gaps; secure funding for state and local law enforcement and public safety and law enforcement.

Howie Beigelman, executive director of Ohio Jewish Communities, explained that “the lack of Holocaust knowledge today is surprising, and especially so in Ohio. With survivors and libera tors still with us, now is the time to make sure this history and its lessons are never forgotten.” He also thanks our elected officials who created this commission. “When political leaders like these make such powerful, public, comments condemning anti-Semitism and hate, it is the most telling repudiation of the ideology that created the Shoah.”

Howie was also instrumental in organizing a meeting with Governor DeWine and 30 lay and professional Jewish communal leaders at the Governor’s Residence in August. Representing Toledo at this meeting in addition to myself, was Stephen Rothschild, JFTG Executive Director. We discussed college campus safety, defining anti-Semitism for hate crimes legislation and other purposes, and providing emergency funding for local law enforcement and local government to deploy technologies and personnel to fight hate broadly and anti-Semitism specifically. Governor DeWine agreed to speak with the presidents of all 14 of Ohio’s four-year public colleges and universities about the threat of rising anti-Semitism on college campuses before the school year begins.

Outside of state politics, efforts to pass federal laws can have implications for our local community as well. One such example is the Jabara-Heyer NO HATE Act, which will promote better hate crimes data collection as well as a more informed approach to hate crime prevention at the federal, state, and local levels. This bill was signed by President Biden in May 2021 as part of the COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act and was supported by Senators Sherrod Brown and Rob Portman and Representatives Marcy Kaptur and Bob Latta. The Jewish Federations system and other Jewish organizations joined many others lobbying for its passage and it will keep our community and other minority communities safer. “No one should have to live in fear of vitriol and violence perpetrated by those possessed with the depravity of hatred,” expressed Representative Kaptur. “Our nation must start to live up to its highest ideals, and reject bigotry in any form. I was honored to support the NO HATE Act and join our local law enforcement partners in supporting those who have been victimized. I urge our local law enforcement to avail of the agency’s tools and support made available by the Department of Justice to prevent and address hate crimes.”

Specifically, the Jabara-Heyer NO HATE Act provides federal grants for states and local government implementing the National Incident-Based Reporting System, a more sophisticated and detailed crime reporting system that replaces the former federal crime reporting system. This will improve the quality of hate crimes data collected by the federal government. It also authorizes federal grants for states to establish hate crime reporting hotlines designed to assist victims who might otherwise be reluctant to report hate crimes, and funding for state and local law enforcement agencies to develop and adopt policies on identifying, investigating, and reporting hate crimes. Finally, the Jabara-Heyer NO HATE Act allows courts to require individuals convicted under the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd Jr., Hate Crimes Prevention Act to participate in educational programs or community service as a condition of supervised release.

During an August visit by Representative Latta to the Federations/YMCA building in Sylvania, JCRC thanked him for his support of the Jabara-Heyer NO HATE Act and for his co-sponsorship of House Resolution 396, which condemned the deadly and indiscriminate rocket attacks perpetrated against Israel by Hamas in May and expressed that the United States must continue to invest in and support Israel’s security and sovereignty. We also discussed rising antisemitism, community safety and security gaps, energy efficiency and infrastructure, and Toledo-Israel partnerships. Joining the Congressman on his visit was Jolie Borchin, his legislative correspondent and scheduler, who grew up in the Toledo Jewish community. Jodie and the Congressman also received a tour of the building to learn about the recently announced YMCA expansion plans. “In May, the world watched as rockets fell upon Israeli cities killing innocent men, women, and children. Israel has an undeniable right to exist and defend themselves,” noted Representative Latta.

“As a proud member of the House Republican Israeli Caucus, I have cosponsored H.Res 396 because it condemns the deadly rocket attacks on Israel by Hamas. Further, I supported the pro-Israel resolution in the U.S. House of Representatives earlier this year because it instructs the Department of Justice to designate a point person to expedite the review of hate crimes related to CO-VID-19. The United States must continue to support our greatest ally as they defend their sovereignty.” The Congressman’s district includes most of Greater Toledo’s Jewish community and almost all our communal institutions.

Our community is unified, not unifying. Community members may disagree with one another on certain issues, but we all want what is best for our community. By standing together to support issues that directly impact our Jewish community, we can make a positive difference.

Look out for JCRC action alerts in the new “Behind the Scenes at JCRC” e-newsletter to contact your elected officials about specific bills as they come up. If you have any questions or would like to get involved in JCRC’s government affairs work, please contact Daniel Pearlman, JCRC Director, at 419-724-0315 or daniel@jewishtoledo.org.
This High Holiday season, as we seek spiritual and physical renewal for ourselves and our loved ones, let us also remember those in Israel who nurture and renew life every day. Whether it’s treating civilians wounded in terror and rocket attacks or vaccinating them against Covid-19, no organization in Israel saves more lives than Magen David Adom.

Magen David Adom is not government-funded. Its 27,000 volunteer EMTs and paramedics and 4,000 full-time professionals rely on support from people like you for the vehicles, supplies, and equipment they need to perform their lifesaving work.

No gift will help Israel more this coming year. Support Magen David Adom by donating today at afmda.org/rosh or call 888.674.4871.

Shanah tovah.

Audrey Lenavitt was called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on August 8, 2021. Audrey is the daughter of Tatum and David Lenavitt and granddaughter of Cheri and Jack Lenavitt and Lou and John Luce. Audrey is a freshman at Ottawa Hills High School, where she is a member of the Junior National Honor Society, plays volleyball, and is on the cheerleading and dance teams. Audrey enjoys cooking, baking, dancing, and spending time with her family and friends. Audrey is looking forward to celebrating with her family and friends on Saturday, September 25.

Maxwell Sawyer Helfman was called to the Torah on Saturday, June 26 at Temple Shomer Emunim. Max is the son of Todd and Kristal Helfman and the middle brother of Ray and Cole Helfman. He is the beloved grandson of Joseph and Wanda Bublick of Waterville, Ohio and Marleem and Richard Kramer of Novi, Michigan. Max will be entering the 8th grade this fall at Timberstone Junior High where he is a percussionist in the school band. Max also takes piano lessons and plays hockey on several teams through Sylvania Tam-O-Shanter. Max is a boy scout in local Troop 154 and in his spare time he enjoys fishing, golfing, LEGO’s, animals, swimming, video games, more hockey, and all things that involve movement and the outdoors. His loved ones very much enjoy his zest for life and his animated silliness. Max’s friends & family anxiously await the in-person celebration of his Bar Mitzvah.

Brad and Abby Kripke of Columbus happily announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Ariel Kripke, on August 13, 2021. Madison is the granddaughter of Sharon and Bobby Kripke of Toledo, and Susan and Brad Ross of Chicago. Great-grandparents include Renee and Bob Ross of Chicago, Carol and Alan (z”l) Friedlander of Chicago, Sherwin (z”l) and Naomi Kripke (z”l), and Norma (z”l) and Marty (z”l) Cohen. Madison was named after Brad’s late grandfather, Marty, and Abby’s late great-uncle, Michael Friedlander, and late grandfather, Alan. Her Hebrew name will be announced at a future baby naming ceremony.

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Temple Shomer Emunim

Due to the ever-changing climate of Covid 19 and the different Covid variants, all Temple events and programs are subject to change, modification or cancellation. Please check the Temple Website and your Email frequently for updates on Temple Events and Schedules.

High Holiday Worship Schedule

Monday, September 6
Erev Rosh Hashanah Service 7:30PM

Tuesday, September 7
Family Service 9:00AM
Rosh Hashanah Morning Service 10:30AM
Children’s Programming (K-4) 10:30AM

Sunday, September 12
Woodlawn Cemetery Memorial Service 10:00AM

Wednesday, September 15
Kol Nidre Service 7:30PM
Thursday, September 16
Family Service 9:00AM
Yom Kippur Morning Service 10:30AM-noon
Children’s Programming 10:30AM
Afternoon & Torah Service 3:00PM
Yizkor Service 4:30PM
Concluding Service 5:15PM
Break Fast Immediately Following

NO BABYSITTING AVAILABLE for the High Holidays due to Covid19 & the variants.

September Religious School Calendar

Wed. Sept. 1 4:00PM Hebrew School
Sun. Sept. 5 No Religious School
Wed. Sept. 8 No Hebrew School
Wed. Sept. 15 No Hebrew School
Wed. Sept. 22 4:20PM Hebrew School
Sun. Sept. 26 9:15AM Religious School
Wed. Sept. 29 Hebrew School

Erev Sukkot Monday, September 20
4:30PM - Sukkah decorating
5:30PM - Service & Pizza & Pasta Dinner in the outdoor Sukkah

$5 per person. Call to reserve!

Erev Simchat Torah Monday, September 27
4:30PM – Yizkor Service
5:00PM – Simchat Torah Service
6:00PM – Shorty’s Back 40 Dinner in the Parking Lot. Adult $14 Children 10 & Under $7
Call to make your reservation

Temple Time with Rabbi Kaufman
Fridays, September 3, 10, 17 & 24 at 11:00AM at Temple or via Zoom

CBI High Holiday Services 5782
Erev Rosh Hashanah
Monday Evening, September 6, 2021
5:45 PM Evening Service - In Person/Live Stream

Rosh HaShanah: day 1
Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2021 - In Person/Live Stream
8:30 AM: Morning Service
10:30 AM: Jr. Congregation
5:45 PM: Evening Service - In Person/Live Stream

Rosh HaShanah: day 2
Wed., Sept. 8, 2021 - In Person/Live Stream
8:30 AM: Morning Service - In Person/Live Stream
5:45 PM: Evening Service - Zoom Only

Shabbat Shuvah
Friday, September 10, 2021
5:45 PM: Kabbalat Shabbat - Zoom Only
Saturday, September 11, 2021
9:30 AM: Morning Service - In Person/Live Stream

Sukkot Build
Sunday, September 12, 2021 at 8:30 AM
Please bring tools!
Contact 419.517.8400 to sign up

Sheminini Ateret / Erev Simchat Torah
Tuesday, September 28, 2021
9:30 AM Morning Service - In Person/Live Stream
11:00 AM Yizkor - In Person/Live Stream

Simchat Torah Celebration
In Person & Live Stream
Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 6:30 PM
To RSVP, call 419.517.8400 by Sept. 20, 2021.

Daily Services Schedule
excluding Holidays
Monday & Thursday Mornings
8:00 AM - In Person/Zoom

Monday – Thursday Evenings
5:45 PM - Zoom

Friday Evening – Kabbalat Shabbat
5:45 PM Zoom

Saturday Morning, Shabbat
9:30 AM - In Person/Live Stream
**Sunday Morning**
9:30 AM - In Person/Zoom
(when religious school is in session)

Shemini Ateret
Erev Simchat Torah
Simchat Torah

The CBI office will be CLOSED
Mon. September 6 Erev Rosh Hashanah
Tues. September 7 Rosh Hashanah - Day 1
Wed. September 8 Rosh Hashanah - Day 2
Thurs. September 16 Yom Kippur
Tues. September 21 Sukkot - Day 1
Wed. September 22 Sukkot - Day 2
Tues. September 28 Shemini Ateret
Wed. September 29 Simchat Torah

David S. Stone
Religious School Calendar
September
Sun 9/5 NO RS - LABOR DAY MOND
Sun 9/12 Rel School 9:30-12:00
* Tashlich 10:00 AM - JC Pond
- Keener 11:00 AM -
- at Beth Shalom Cemetery
Sun 9/19 Rel School 9:30-12:00
Sun 9/26 Rel School 9:30-12:00

Congregation B’nai Israel

Tashlich & Kever Avot Services
Sunday, September 12, 2021
10:00 AM - Lake behind JC Camp - Bring Israel
11:00 PM - Beth Shalom Cemetery

Erev Yom Kippur: Kol Nidre
Wednesday, September 15, 2021
7:00 PM - Kol Nidre - In Person/Live Stream

Yom Kippur
Thurs., Sept. 16, 2021 - In Person/Live Stream
9:00 AM: Morning Service
10:45 AM: Jr. Congregation
11:00 AM: Yizkor
5:00 PM: Mincha/Neillah

Yom Kippur Break the Fast In a Box
Thursday Evening, Sept. 16, 2021
After Religious Services conclude
NO CHARGE for CBI Members
YOU MUST RSVP TO RECEIVE A BOXED MEAL
To RSVP, call 419.517.8400 by Sept. 9, 2021.

Sukkot - day 1
Tuesday, September 21, 2021
9:30 AM Morning Service - In Person/Live Stream
(90s/metach/bachat by individuals in the Sukkah)
5:45 PM Evening Service - Zoom

Sukkot - day 2
Wednesday, September 22, 2021
9:30 AM Morning Service - In Person/Live Stream
(90s/metach/bachat by individuals in the Sukkah)
5:45 PM Evening Service - Zoom

Shabbat Chol Hamoed
Friday, September 24, 2021
5:45 PM: Kabbalat Shabbat - Zoom Only
Saturday, September 25, 2021
9:30 AM Morning Service - In Person/Live Stream

Attendance at in-Person services, events, and programs is limited to members and guests who are fully vaccinated. All attendees must wear a mask while in the synagogue.

Due to the rising transmission levels of the Covid-19 Delta variant, upcoming events, programs, and services may have a format change, be time adjusted, postponed, or cancelled. Changes will be communicated to CBI members via email.
**Congregation Etz Chayim**

**ROSH HASHANA EVENING SERVICES**
Mon., Tues., & Wed., Sept. 6, 7, & 8
Mincha 6:25 p.m
Ma’ariv 6:40 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 7 6:25 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 8 6:00 p.m

**ROSH HASHANA MORNING SERVICES**
Tuesday, & Wednesday Sept. 7 & 8
Shachris, Morning Service 7:45 a.m.
Reading of the Torah (Kreeah) 9:20 a.m.
Sermon 11:00 a.m.
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Local

High Holiday observances in Monroe, Michigan

By Wayne Ruttenberg

Temple B’nai Israel in Monroe, Michigan welcomes Rabbi Shena Potter Jaffee to lead our High Holiday services this year. We are coming out of a pandemic, which has placed a burden on our small community to maintain our religious services and sense of community. We had to change how we held services to keep everyone safe by utilizing technology via the Zoom platform.

Our current rejoicing this year is still marked by the loss of Ed Frim who passed away in March 2020. Ed had led our congregation for over 20 years and brought us solace, pride, and joy every holiday season. Last year, we gathered at the temple and services were held via live stream from Temple Congregation Shomer Emunin.

This year, Rabbi Potter-Jaffee will help us rekindle our spirit for a joyous new year. Although she and her family live in the Cincinnati area, the Rabbi has spent part of her career at the University of Michigan as a Rabbi and Assistant Director for programs and religious life. She has held positions as Associate Rabbi at Temple Sinai in Washington DC, Regional Director for Admissions at Hebrew Union College, and Director of Jewish Life at Mayerson JCC in Cincinnati. Currently, she holds the position of Rabbi in Residence at Rockdale Temple also in Cincinnati.

Please join us this New Year and Repentance at Temple B’nai Israel, Monroe either in person or on Zoom. We do not sell tickets, however donations are welcome. Our schedule of services is as follows:

- Erev Rosh Hashanah, September 6th at 7:30 pm
- Rosh Hashanah, September 7th at 10:00 am
- Erev Yom Kippur, September 15th at 7:30 pm
- Yom Kippur, September 16th at 10:00 am
- Additional Service / Yizkor at 3:00 pm
- We will be holding an outdoor breaking of the fast.

Temple B’nai Israel, Monroe (bnaiisraelmonroe.org) is located at 141 East 8th St., Monroe, Michigan.

BBYO Reunites

By Bob Berkowitz

“Friends, friends, friends, we will always be,” the song sung by members of BBYO throughout the states was once again sung, hand in hand, by some 48 friends. Our friendships began in the early 1960s, in the rooms of the former Collingwood Avenue JCC. BBYO meetings always ended with a friendship circle, often followed by a trip to Inky’s Pizza restaurant on Detroit and Sylvania Avenues.

In mid-August, we began our reunion at the new Incorvaia Bene Italiano Restaurant on Monroe Street. Friends came from Ohio, Florida, New York, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana including a FaceTime reunion with a friend from New Mexico. Laughter and smiles abounded as our memories were shared. After dinner, members met in the lobby of the hotel, to continue to talk and share. Saturday began with a walk by those interested at 7:00 in the morning and ended with our dinner at Jing Chuan restaurant, where we celebrated BBYO with more friends.

Our reunion ended with a beautiful breakfast held at Temple Shomer Emunim. And, as we did some 60 years ago, we formed our friendship circle; sang our traditional songs; shared memories such as hayrides, BBYO Sweetheart; and Beau dances and made it a point to remember our friends who have passed away. Their memories will not be forgotten. So it was. Forty-eight adults, all of whom met so many years ago, shared a wonderful weekend. Eight of our friends first met in BBYO and eventually got married.

As we completed our friendship circle, we once again sang, “Friends, friends, friends, we will ALWAYS be.” And, so it will be!

Our next reunion is tentatively planned in two years.
Best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year!

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