Jewish Senior Services announces significant community grants

Jewish Senior Services (JSS) formerly owned Pelham Manor, which was a federally subsidized housing building managed by the Jewish Federation. The property was built and maintained without community funds. The funds to build it were borrowed and repaid. In 2019, JSS sold Pelham Manor and realized approximately $2.5 million dollars. JSS placed those funds with the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation and set about deciding what should be done with the money.

In 2021, JSS approved a distribution of $700,000 to the Toledo Jewish Community Cemetery Association to help ensure its financial future. After that distribution, JSS continued to explore how to best use the remaining sale proceeds.

Ultimately, JSS decided it would be best to provide significant resources to the community's primary institutions to let them pursue their own visions. At the recent Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo (JFGT) Annual Meeting, it was announced that six $100,000 grants will be made to Chabad of Toledo, Congregation B'nai Israel, Congregation Etz Chayim, Hillel, Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo, and Temple Shomer Emunim. The funds will be paid to the organizations in two installments, $50,000 this September and $50,000 next September.

These grants are being made to benefit the community at large by supporting the communities' constituent organizations, each of which plays a unique and important role in the vitality of Jewish life. JSS hopes that these distributions will be used by the grantees to further each organization's mission with programs and services that benefit the communities that they uniquely serve. The recipients are encouraged, but not required, to use the funds in ways that are innovative or in support of new initiatives or ideas that have not been pursued because of a prior lack of funding. These grants are without strings or formal requirements. Instead, it is requested that recipients share with the community how the funds will be used, and the distributions be received and used in a spirit of k'lal Yisrael arevim zeh lazeh.

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo Annual Meeting

More than 100 Jewish Toledo community members attended the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo Annual Meeting 2022 last month at Temple Shomer Emunim, gathering for an elegant dinner followed by a business meeting, presentation of awards, and a Jewish Senior Services Community Announcement of generous funding to multiple Jewish Toledo organizations (stay tuned for more information on this wonderful opportunity).

Thank you to all who joined us. Jewish Toledo is a reflection of all of you, and we can’t wait for all that is to come in our vibrant community.
Sunday, October 9 at 11:30 a.m.
Sekach Building Patio, 6505 Sylvania Ave.
$5 per person, Kids 12 and under free
Includes continental brunch, coffee from Sweet Nate's Coffee truck, and more

In a galaxy not so far away, the Jewish people of Toledo, have been chosen to join forces and fulfill your destiny to be together, drink coffee, eat pastries, and decorate our community sukkah.

Jedi, stormtroopers, droids, and Padawan of all ages are invited.

First 30 kids registered will receive a special Star Wars-themed prize.

RSVP to the Jedi Master by Thursday, October 6:
form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/java
or Sherry Majewski, sherry@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0351

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Sunday, October 9 at 11:30 a.m.
Federation Campus - Gan Yeladim Preschool parking lot
(please stay in your car and wait to be assisted)

Bring in the new year with a special kit from the Jewish Federation to make it even sweeter.

$18 per kit (includes festive goodie bag with freshly made, certified kosher challah from Dakota Bread Company, sweet treats, keepsakes, and more. Gluten-free options are available, please let us know if you would like this option)

RSVP by Monday September 12:
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Rosh Hashanah Roll By
Buzzing into the New Year!

Sunday September 18
Kit pickup: 11:30 – 12:30 p.m.
Federation Campus - Gan Yeladim Preschool parking lot
(please stay in your car and wait to be assisted)

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Ways to Give to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo

In recent years, the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation (TJCF) has grown to be a significant entity within the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo (JFGT). To support the growing need for annual giving, TJCF has created a new campaign online at www.jewishtoledo.org. By texting CAMPAIGN to 44321, you can make a donation to the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo Annual Campaign.

What’s an NFT? It’s Jewish Toledo dollars you can use to register for future Federation programs. So, get searching!

Clue: Bitmoji Stephen is chillin’ in summer.

NFT (Nu Federation Tchotchke)!

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING GIFTS FROM IRAs

- Notify your bank/broker of your intentions to contribute with an IRA to Jewish Federation of Toledo (JFTG) or Toledo Jewish Community Foundation (TJCF). IRA contributions must be in the form of a check per the IRS. Please instruct your broker to make a check payable to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo, and then notify Tina Stieben, CPO of Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo/Toledo Jewish Community Foundation at 419-724-0371 or via email at Tina@jewishtoledo.org to inform her of the contribution.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING GIFTS OF SECURITIES

- When the stock is held by your broker or commercial banker:

  • Notify your broker of your intentions to donate securities to Jewish Federation of Toledo (JFTG) or Toledo Jewish Community Foundation (TJCF). Your broker should then notify Tina Stieben of Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo/Toledo Jewish Community Foundation at 419-724-0371 or via email at Tina@jewishtoledo.org to discuss the details of this transaction.
  
- Other ways to give

  - Venmo (@Toledo-Federation); Paypal; and Online at www.jewishtoledo.org

  - We also accept Venmo (@Toledo-Federation); Paypal; and Online at www.jewishtoledo.org

  - Charles Schwab – Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo a/c # 2198-2998, DTC # 0164, Code 40. A nominal fee will be charged for stock or mutual funds. Typically, not more than $10.00.

  - In each case, to ensure faster processing, it is important that your broker submit your full name along with complete stock information to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo/Toledo Jewish Community Foundation.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING GIFTS OF REAL ESTATE

- Notify your bank/broker of your intentions to contribute with a real estate gift to Jewish Federation of Toledo (JFTG) or Toledo Jewish Community Foundation (TJCF). Your broker should then notify Tina Stieben of Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo/Toledo Jewish Community Foundation at 419-724-0371 or via email at Tina@jewishtoledo.org to discuss the details of this transaction.

Please make your contribution to the Annual Campaign online at www.JewishToledo.org

Ways to Give to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo/Toledo Jewish Community Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not for profit corporation which gratefully accepts gifts of securities and IRAs. Most gifts are tax deductible. There is one EIN 34-4428259. Gifts can be made to Jewish Federation (JFTG) to support programs and the Annual Jewish Fund Campaign and gifts can be made to Toledo Jewish Community Foundation (TJCIF) to support planned giving opportunities.
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Full-Day Program
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8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

We encourage all new families to come tour and observe in our classrooms. To schedule an appointment or for more information please call Morah Raizel at 419-270-3548 or email raizel@jewishtoledo.org.

Scholarships are available.
The spotlight was on some of Jewish Toledo's most generous ladies recently, as we honored the sisterhood of strength that provides crucial funding and resources for our community.

The Women's Philanthropy Celebration 2022 dinner at Cooper's Hawk Winery and Restaurant featured an Israeli wine presentation from connoisseur Shelly Zeiher who uncorked three flavorful imports that beautifully complemented a delicious meal.

For more information on how you can support Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo, please contact Wendy Goldstein at 419-724-0360 or wendy@jewishtoledo.org.

Koshersoul: A Conversation with Michael Twitty and Adeena Sussman

Thursday, September 15
12:30 – 1:30 p.m.
Free event on Zoom

Join Jewish Book Council and bestselling author Michael Twitty in a conversation about identity, food, culture, and intersectionality. Koshersoul is a thought-provoking memoir that looks at the creation of African-Jewish foods as a result of migration and the diaspora. Michael Twitty will be joined by Adeena Sussman, food writer and author of the upcoming book Shabbat: Recipes and Rituals from My Table To Yours.

Michael W. Twitty is a noted culinary and cultural historian and the creator of Afroculinaria, the first blog devoted to African American historic foodways and their legacies. Twitty has appeared throughout the media, including on NPR's The Splendid Table, and has given more than 250 talks in the United States and abroad. Adeena Sussman has coauthored eleven cookbooks, including the New York Times #1 bestseller Cravings— and its bestselling follow-up Hungry for More—with Chrissy Teigen. She is also the author of Tahini. She moved to Israel in 2015 and lives footsteps from Carmel Market. She has written about Israeli food for Food & Wine, The Wall Street Journal, and many others.

Join us for a scintillating hibachi experience under the sukkah with a private chef.

Saturday, October 8
7 p.m.
Sekach Building – 6505 Sylvania Ave.
$25 per person – includes hibachi dinner, sushi, sake, and more
RSVP by Friday, October 7
at form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/njg2022
or to Sherry Majewski at sherry@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0351.
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THE YEAR AHEAD IS STILL AN OPEN BOOK.
Inscribe your vision for a sweet Jewish future with a legacy gift through TJCF’s ENDOWMENT program.

L’SHANA TOVA!

Contact Michael Holub, VP Financial Resource Development at 419-517-8829 or michael@jewishtoledo.org

When you create a Jewish legacy, you take an important step toward strengthening Jewish life for generations to come. Planning your gift now will help ensure your grandchildren can enjoy the same rich traditions and closeness of community that have given your life so much meaning and purpose.

The future starts with you.

For information about legacy giving, please contact
Michael Holub, VP Financial Resource Development at 419-517-8829 or michael@jewishtoledo.org;
Stephen A. Rothschild, Interim Director, at 419-724-0372 or stephen@jewishtoledo.org;
Arleen R. Levine, Director Emeritus, at 419-724-0355 or arleen@jewishtoledo.org
Obituaries now accepted for print in Toledo Jewish News

Toledo Jewish News accepts obituaries for the Toledo Jewish community, immediate family members, and former residents of the Toledo Jewish community. There is no charge to submit an obituary, but we encourage donations to Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo (www.jewishtoledo.org). Preferred maximum obit length is 500 words (Toledo Jewish News reserves the right to edit obituaries as necessary).

Email completed obituaries to: paul@JewishToledo.org. You may include a photo of the deceased if you wish (optional).

NOTE: Only obituaries submitted to paul@JewishToledo.org (at the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo offices) will be printed in Toledo Jewish News. Toledo Jewish News is published the first of every month except July. Obituaries should be emailed by the 15th of the month prior to publication.

If you have additional questions, please contact paul@JewishToledo.org.

2022 CEMETERY CLOSINGS

BETH SHALOM CEMETERY
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Oregon, Ohio 43616

EAGLE POINT CEMETERY
515 Eagle Point Rd.
Rossford, Ohio 43460

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

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Fridays 6:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
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2022 JEWISH HOLIDAY CLOSING SCHEDULE for remainder 2022

Sunday, September 25, 2022 Erev Rosh Hashana Close @ 4 P.M.
Monday, September 26, 2022 Rosh Hashana I Closed
Wednesday, September 27, 2022 Rosh Hashana II Closed
Tuesday, October 4, 2022 Erev Yom Kippur Close @ 4 P.M.
Wednesday, October 5, 2022 Yom Kippur Closed
Sunday, October 9, 2022 Erev Sukkot Close at 4 P.M.
Monday, October 10, 2022 Sukkot I Closed
Tuesday, October 11, 2022 Sukkot II Closed
Sunday, October 16, 2022 Sukkot VII (Hoshana Raba) Closed
Monday, October 17, 2022 Erev Shimini Atzeret Close
Tuesday, October 18, 2022 Shimi Atzeret Sukkot VIII Closed
Simchat Torah Closed
Closed

SUNDAY THROUGH THURSDAY 6:30 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.
FRIDAYS 6:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.
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Ahava is a program of the Jewish Federation and Foundation of Greater Toledo that is managed by Jewish Family and Social Services and has provided a lifeline since 2016 to Jewish families in Greater Toledo who are raising children with special needs and simply want to be able to access the best care possible for their children.

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

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

Bipartisan mission to Israel

Last month, Ohio Jewish Communities (OJC) -- which represents Ohio’s eight Jewish Federations, their partners, and agencies on a range of state, federal, and international issues in Columbus and in Washington, DC -- led a bipartisan mission to Israel for Ohio Senators. Attendees included: President Matt Huffman and Leader Kenny Yuko; Senator Hearcel Craig, Assistant Minority Whip, and sergeant-at-arms, Ohio Legislative Black Caucus; Senator Matt Dolan, Finance Chair, Ohio Senate and former/potential US Senate candidate; Senator Teresa Gavarone, Vice Finance Chair, Ohio Senate and former US Congressional candidate; Senator Jay Hottinger, Senate President Pro Tempore; Senator Stephanie Kunze, Chair, Senate Transportation Committee and Co-chair on the Infant Mortality Commission; Senator Bill Reineke, Chair, Transportation Committee; Senator Michael Rulli, Chair, Small Business & Economic Opportunity Committee and lead sponsor of bill creating Ohio Holocaust & Genocide Education & Memorial Commission; and Liz Connolly, Senate Majority Caucus Deputy Chief of Staff.

Creator of ‘Shtisel’ is working on a series about Theodor Herzl, father of modern Zionism

By Philissa Cramer

(JTA) — Modern Jewish history’s most famous bearded political leader could be coming to streaming services soon, thanks to one of the creators of “Shtisel.”

Theodor Herzl, the founder of modern Zionism who died in his native Austria in 1904, is the subject of a series being developed by Ori Elon, according to a report in Deadline. Elon wrote the script for “Shtisel,” the hit Israeli TV show about the travails of a haredi Orthodox family, as well as for “Srugim,” a popular series about Modern Orthodox singles in Jerusalem.

The Herzl project is in the “early stages,” according to the report, and is being financed by Isbar Nacht, a prominent Israeli attorney and philanthropist whose family foundation supported artists during the pandemic and helped hundreds of people escape the Taliban as it took control of Afghanistan last year.
Women Leading a Dialogue is a Partnership2Gether-sponsored dialogue group for Arab and Jewish women from Israel’s Western Galilee. 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.

Toledo is fortunate to have been selected as the first stop on their American tour. The women will be in town November 6-9, 2022.

The Jewish Federation is looking for community members who are willing to host groups of two or more Israeli women at their homes and to provide them with breakfast each morning. At least one woman in the group would be Jewish and at least one woman would be Arab. The women can share a room, but they will need their own beds for sleeping.

If you are interested in hosting two or more Israelis, please contact sherry@jewishtoledo.org or call 419-724-0351.

To respect everyone’s customs, we ask that hosts do not provide dairy and meat together, pork, or alcohol.

Habitat for Humanity

Last month, a team from Jewish Senior, Family & Social Services assisted in a Habitat for Humanity build with our friends at Olivet Lutheran Church of Sylvania.
Chelsea Michigan trip
Jewish Toledo seniors traveled up to Chelsea, Michigan in July for lunch and a showing of Sherlock Holmes and the Adventure of the Ghost Machine at the Purple Rose Theatre.

It’s for Reel! Senior Movie Day
Thursday, September 8
12:30 – 2 p.m.
Sekach Building – 6505 Sylvania Ave
FREE – movie noshes provided
Join us for an afternoon of entertainment as we watch “The Benny Zinger Show” together!

The Benny Zinger Show
Benny Zinger presents slide shows at weddings until, one day, while preparing a show for a couple, he falls in love with the bride. Populated with wonderfully offbeat characters and enlivened by a good-natured sense of humor, this quirky short is an appealing and highly entertaining slice of modern Israeli life.

RSVP by Tuesday, September 6 to sherry@jewishtoledo.org or call 419-724-0351.

Seniors SAVE THE DATE:
Thursday, December 15
Hanukkah Luncheon

Ahoy Me Senior Mateys - Toledo Opera on Wheels,
The Pirates of Penzance
Thursday, October 27
12 – 1:30 p.m.
Lunch provided
Temple Shomer Emunim, 6453 Sylvania Ave.
Cost: $15 per person
Come and enjoy lunch and the Toledo Opera on Wheels with The Pirates of Penzance. There’s noth-ing like food, friends, and fun with a special perfor-mance.
RSVP by Friday October 21 to Sherry Majewski at sherry@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0351.
Active Life for 60 and Better

Healthy Living

JLC is pleased to announce the virtual return of our popular exercise classes

JLC Exercise Now on Jewish Toledo YouTube Channel!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

If you have any questions about our classes, please feel free to call us at 419-724-0401 or email ben@jewishtoledo.org.

In-person classes at Sekach Bldg., 6505 Sylvania Ave., Sylvania

Mondays
9-10 a.m. Get Fit
10:30-11:30 a.m. Get Fit 2
12-1 p.m. Drumming

Wednesdays
9-10 a.m. Get Fit
10:30-11:30 a.m. Get Fit 2
12-1 p.m. Ballet Ball Fusion

Friday Poker
12:00-3:30 p.m.
Where: JFS
Snacks available
Nickel/dime bets

Contact: Colette Lundberg 419-724-0361 or Colette@JewishToledo.org

Art and Soul- Crepe-tastic

Jewish Toledo’s Active Older Adults got together to eat Lyle’s Crepes and eggs-plore the art of journaling. They even got a special visit from our Camp Inspiration kids who spent the day performing a range of mitzvahs and came with gifts of friendship bracelets and kindness notes.

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PJ Library® is supported in part by The Inspiration Fund and Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo.
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SAVE THE DATE!
Hanukkah Hero’s Day
Maccabe a Hanukkah Hero!
Sunday, December 11

Programs especially for post-college to young families.
For more information about Department of Jewish Programs or to register for virtual events,
please contact Marnie at marnie@jewishtoledo.org.

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

How ‘Bout Them Apples?
Saturday, September 24 • 7 p.m.
Sekach Building – 6505 Sylvania Ave.
$10 per person – includes hard & soft cider tasting, non-alcoholic beverages and snacks
Let’s cheer to the new year and look on the bright cider life. Get into the Rosh Hashanah spirit
with a cider tasting and mitzvah activity. We’ll sample various (hard and soft) ciders, nosh, chat,
and do a little bit of good for the community.
RSVP by Wednesday, September 21 to form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/njg2022 or sherry@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0351. Please let us know of any dietary restrictions.

NJG Trivia Nights
Monday, September 12
6:30 p.m.
The VI, 4984 N. Holland Sylvania Rd.
It’s your favorite night out, and you know the drill
- free trivia, appetizers on us, and drinks on you!
Make sure to arrive by 15 minutes early (reservation
will be under “Next Gen”).
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News

Why does an Episcopal church in an Alaskan town have a prominent Star of David window?

By Dan Fellner

SITKA, Alaska (JTA) — It is a peculiar mystery that has endured for more than 120 years in the shadows of Mt. Verstovia on Baranof Island in southeast Alaska.

At 611 Lincoln St. in the heart of downtown Sitka, above the entrance to a Gothic Revival red-brick Episcopal church called St. Peter’s by the Sea, sits an intricately designed stained-glass window from a manufacturer somewhere in the eastern United States. When St. Peter’s was built in 1899 — more than 40 years before the state of Alaska came into being — the design chosen by the church’s first rector deacon, agreed, saying the window “has remained a beloved part of St. Peter’s by the Sea over the years.”

The stained-glass window at the front of the St. Peter’s by the Sea Episcopal church in downtown Sitka, Alaska, features a star of David at the center. (Dan Fellner)

“I wasn’t exactly what had been ordered but the people who made the decisions at that time found that it was acceptable to keep that window because it lends itself to our Judeo-Christian traditions,” said Johansen Peterson, who has belonged to St. Peter’s for more than 40 years.

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Voluck, who was born and raised in Philadelphia, graduated from the Lewis & Clark Law School in Oregon with a Certificate in Environmental Law. After law school, he joined an Alaskan law firm, specializing in federal Indian law. He traveled to rural villages throughout the state, providing representation to Tlingit, Haida and other Indigenous peoples. In 2008 he was appointed Chief Judge of the Sitka Tribal Court. Voluck is considered one of Alaska’s pre-eminent experts on Indian Law and Tribal Courts.

As a Jew, Voluck says he’s developed a strong kinship with the indigenous people with whom he works.

“I refer to them as my ‘cousins’ and it’s sympathetic,” he says. “We have a tribal background. We’re survivors of genocide. And we cling tenaciously to our history.”

Twenty years ago, seeking to strengthen his connection with Judaism, Voluck took a two-year hiatus from his work in Alaska to attend the Rabbinical College of America in New Jersey, where he focused on Talmudic and Jewish Legal Studies.

He guesses that about 50 Jews live in Sitka, not enough to sustain a synagogue or any kind of regular events. “I used to have dreams of that,” he said. “Maybe I’m running out of gas. Each year my tank gets a little lower.”

Voluck calls himself the Jewish community’s “lay leader,” which fits well with Sitka’s informality. It’s a place where “Orthodox” is far more likely to refer to someone who worships at the local Russian Orthodox church — reflecting Sitka’s history as a Russian settlement — than an observant Jew.

“There is no hierarchy in Sitka; we all come to Judaism and offer whatever we have,” said Voluck, who has kosher meat flown in once a month from Brooklyn. “It seems to work. But if someone has a Jewish question or issue, they usually seek me out one way or the other.”

For now, Voluck is content serving Alaska’s indigenous people, raising his three children in a kosher home, hosting Israeli tourists for Shabbat dinners and occasionally cobbling together a minyan for a yahrzeit service.

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“I have never heard a disparaging comment about it. Visitors do ask, and we share the story and the mystery,” she added.

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Judge David Avraham Voluck, the unofficial leader of Sitka’s small Jewish community, is an attorney and judge for the Sitka Tribe of Alaska. (Dan Fellner)

“T’ll give you the urban myth,” Voluck said when asked about the window at a local hangout called the Backdoor Cafe. “But,” he added with a hearty laugh, “I’m talking out of my tuchus.”

Voluck, 52, who bears a resemblance to Togol in the movie “Fiddler on the Roof” and has a personality to match, told the same story I had heard the day before from a local guide during a bus tour of Sitka’s most prominent sites. When St. Peter’s was built in the late 19th century (it was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1978), its leaders ordered a stained-glass window from a manufacturer somewhere in the eastern United States. The intent was to have a rose of Sharon adorn the center of the window.

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2022 Young Volunteer Award winners

Congregation B’nai Israel
Hannah Chernow
Hannah Chernow is the daughter of David and Rachel Chernow and granddaughter of David and Judy Weinberg of Toledo and Ronald and Susan Chernow of Jupiter, Florida. She is a loving sister to Sophia. Hannah will be a sophomore at Ottawa Hills High School in the fall. She plays on the varsity tennis team and is involved in the American Sign Language club at school. She enjoys drawing, playing tennis, and spending time with her friends. She periodically serves as Gabbai during the Shabbat morning services.

Temple Shomer Emunim
Alyssa Rosenberg
Alyssa is the daughter of Joe and Dr. Veronica Rosenberg. Alyssa graduated from Ottawa Hills High School in May. Alyssa was selected for this award because of her dedication to the Temple Religious School as a teaching assistant. Her patient demeanor and encouraging way allowed her to work one on one with special needs students as well. She always made a commitment to lend a hand at the temple whenever her schedule allowed be it camp, programs, or babysitting.

Friendship Circle
Charley Bauer
Charley Bauer is the daughter of Alyssa and Jeremy Bauer. She just graduated Southview High School and will be studying nursing in Cincinnati. Charley volunteered with Friendship Circle for five years and this year was on its teen leadership board. She is being honored for her incredible impact on all the children and teens in the group.
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L’shana tovah.
We Honor Our B’nai Mitzvah

Lola Grace Lenavitt will be called the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on September 17, 2022 at Temple Shomer Emunim. Lola is the daughter of Tatum and David Lenavitt, sister of Audrey Lenavitt, and the granddaughter of Cheri and Jack Lenavitt; Lou and John Luce. Lola is in 7th grade at Ottawa Hills Junior High and plays volleyball, soccer, and lacrosse. In her free time, Lola enjoys reading a book, playing the guitar, or hanging out with her friends. Lola is excited to celebrate her bat mitzvah with her family and friends.

Simcha

Sylvania Schools Teacher of the Year

Jilian Stefango has been awarded the designation of 2022 Sylvania Schools Teacher of the Year. She has been teaching English at Northview High School and will be teaching at Southview High School this Fall. Jillian’s family is proud of her as she applies herself to making a difference in the lives of local students.

Helen Grubb and Kristofer Mann were married at Congregation B’nai Israel on May 22, 2022. May they enjoy many years of happiness together.

Arnold L. Remer

Arnold L. Remer, 85, passed away in Columbus on July 6, 2022. Arnie was a lifelong Toledoan, and a graduate of Scott High School, Ohio University, and Syracuse University. In his career, Arnie was a talented commercial artist and art director. He was especially gifted as a calligrapher, both in English and Hebrew, creating countless works of beautiful Judaica that he coined “Hebgraphics.” He was a true mensch, devoted member and daily minyan participant at Congregation B’nai Israel, where he often chanted Torah and Haftarah. He was predeceased by his parents, Henry and Minnie Remer, and his younger brother, Murray Remer. He was extremely dedicated to his family, and was often seen wearing one of several grandpa-themed sweatshirts. He is survived by his high school sweetheart and wife of 63 years, Marlene, and children Todd (Julie) Remer, Larry (Kathryn) Remer and Beth (Edson) Madis, as well as seven grandchildren: Philip, Isabel and Samantha Remer, Elliot and Emily Remer, and Erick and Ryan Madis. He is also survived by sisters-and-brother-in-law Jo Ann Remer, Bobbie and Dave Shall, many nieces, nephews, and friends.

The family would appreciate memorial donations to Congregation B’nai Israel, The American Heart Association, or the American Diabetes Association.

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Temple Shomer Emunim

September Worship Schedule

Friday, September 2
Shabbat Service at 6:00PM

Friday, September 9
Shabbat Service at 6:00PM

Friday, September 16
Shabbat Service at 6:00PM

Saturday, September 17
Shabbat Service at 10:30AM
Bat Mitzvah of Lola Tenevitt

Friday, September 23
Shabbat Service at 6:00PM

Friday, September 30
Shabbat Service at 6:00PM

Men’s Chavurah
Wednesday, September 28 @ 7PM

Musical Minyan
Saturday, September 10 @ 10:30AM
Sing & chant your way thru the prayer book with Cantor Roher!

Parsha and Prayer with Rabbi Gibson
Saturday, September 24 @ 10:30AM

High Holiday Worship Schedule

Saturday, September 17
Slichot 7:30PM

Sunday, September 25
Erev Rosh Hashanah Service 7:30PM

Monday, September 26
Family Service 9:00AM
Rosh Hashanah Morning Service 10:00AM
Children’s Programming (K-4) 10:00AM
(Reservations Required)

Sunday, October 2
Woodlawn Cemetery Memorial Service 10:00AM

Tuesday, October 4
Kol Nidre Service 7:30PM

Thursday, October 5
Family Service 9:00AM
Yom Kippur Morning Service 10:00AM-noon
Children’s Programming 10:00AM
(Reservations Required)
Afternoon Service 2:00PM
Yizkor Service 4:30PM
Concluding Service 5:15PM
Break Fast 6:30PM
(Reservations Required)

September Religious/Hebrew School

Sun 4th
No Religious School

Wed 7th
Hebrew School 4:30-6PM

Sun 11th
Religious School 9:15-11:30AM

Wed 14th
Hebrew School 4:30-6PM

Sun 18th
Religious School 9:15-11:30AM

Wed 21st
Hebrew School 4:30-6PM

Sun 25th
No Religious School

Wed 28th
Hebrew School 4:30-6PM

Temple Tots
For children 3 months-3 years & a parent/caregiver, once a month from 9:15-10:15AM, in the Children’s Room at Temple $75 per family
Share meaningful, fun & interactive time in a Jewish environment. Blocks, dramatic play, music, sensory activities, arts & crafts, snacks, Jewish traditions, stories & more! Meet families with children of the same age!

Sunday, September 11 – “Fall Fun” Fall Holidays

Camp Shabbat!
Join us Friday, September 9 at 6PM for our Camp Shabbat service. Hear our students relive their summer experiences!
Erev Rosh Hashanah Dinner
Sunday, September 25 @ 5:30PM
Adults $20 Children 10 & Under $10
RSVP to mkuehne@templese.com by Sept. 16

Break the Fast with your Temple family!
Wednesday, October 5 @ 6:30PM
Adults $18 Children 10 & Under $9
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CBI High Holiday Services 5783

KEY: IP - In Person LS - Live Stream ZM - Zoom

SEPTEMBER

SAT 3
9:30 AM
IP: Shabbat Morning Service
12:45 PM
IP: Mincha Service
8:00 PM
IP: Selichot Service

SUN 25
EREV ROYD HASHANAH
7:45 PM
IP: Erev Service

MON 26
ROSH HASHANAH DAY 1
8:30 AM
IP: Morning Service
10:30 AM
IP: Jr. Congregation
5:45 PM
IP: Evening Service

TUE 27
ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2
8:30 AM
IP: Morning Service
5:45 PM
ZM: Evening Service

WED 28
FAST OF GEDALIAH
5:45 PM
ZM: Evening Service

OCTOBER

SAT 3
9:30 AM
IP: Shabbat Services
12:45 PM
IP: Mincha Service

SUN 2
8:30 AM
IP: Sukkah Build
(Sun is Sunday Oct. 2, 2022)
10:00 AM
IP: TASHLICH @ 3CC Lake
[weather permitting - bring Israel]
11:00 AM
IP: KEVER AVOD meet at Cemetery
(graveyard weather permitting, otherwise in the cemetery Chapel)

TUE 4
EREV YOM KIPPUR
6:30 PM
IP: Kol Nidre

OCTOBER

WED 5
YOM KIPPUR
6:00 PM
IP: Yom Kippur Service

SUN 16
(cont.)
11:00 AM
IP: Yom Kippur Service

EVENTS:
- CBI Office HOLIDAY CLOSINGS
Rosh Hashanah - Day 1
Monday, September 26
Rosh Hashanah - Day 2
Tuesday, September 27
Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidre
12:00 PM Tuesday, Oct. 5
Yom Kippur
Wednesday, October 5
Sukkot - Day 1
Monday, October 10
Sukkot - Day 2
Tuesday, October 11
Shemini Atzeret
Monday, October 17
Simchat Torah
Tuesday, October 18

Cantor’s Anniversary Celebration Weekend
- SHABBAT ONEG DINNER & SERVICE
Friday, September 9, 2022
5:45 PM CBI Social Hall
- SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE & KIDDUSH LUNcheon
Saturday, September 10, 2022
9:30 AM at CBI

Adult Ed: Prof. E. Fishman
Wednesday, September 14, 2022
7:30 PM on Zoom
Professor Fishman with discuss the Ukrainian Jewish community.
This program is open to the entire Jewish community. Please contact gmossin@ctbtoledo.org for the link to pre-register.

Join us as we Introduce and Dedicate
New Lev Shalem Siddurim
Saturday, September 17, 2022
9:30 AM In-Person & Live Stream
HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

ROSH HASHANAH EVENING SERVICES
Sunday, Monday & Tuesday, Sept. 25, 26 & 27
Mincha 5:50pm
Ma’ariv 6:15pm

ROSH HASHANAH MORNING SERVICES
Tuesday & Wednesday, Sept. 26 & 27
Shachris, Morning Service 8:30am
Reading of the Torah (Kreeah) 10:00am
Sermon 10:40am
Blowing of the Shofar 10:50am
Musaf 11:00am to 12:30pm

YOM KIPPUR SERVICES
Tuesday, Oct. 4
Kol Nidrei 7:00pm

Wednesday, Oct. 5
Shachris, Morning Service 8:30am
Reading of the Torah (Kreeah) 10:30am
Memorial, Dedication Service and Sermon 11:15am
Musaf 11:45pm
Mincha 5:00pm
Neila, Conclusion 6:20pm
Blowing of the Shofar 7:30pm

HIGH HOLIDAY ZOOM PROGRAM
A Sunday Learning Zoom Session with Aviva Panush returns for a program on Sunday, September 11th at 10:30 a.m. The topic is “The Power of Tradition - Avinu Malkeynu”. Please respond to elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org or Nancy Jacobson, jaco824@bex.net.

MAHJ/POKER GAMES PLANNED
In-person Mahj & Poker will take place at Etz Chayim on Sunday, September 18th from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Everyone is invited.

SISTERHOOD NEWS
Sisterhood is planning an apple-picking trip for the end of September prior to Rosh Hashana so that everyone will be able to pick fresh apples in time for the Holidays. The tentative date planned for this activity is Tuesday, September 20, but the date may change depending on when the apples are ready to be picked. Further information will be provided once the details are finalized. And to give you great ideas for using your freshly-picked apples, the sisterhood will also be compiling a booklet of favorite apple recipes. Email Andi Lublin (AndiSue53@aol.com) your favorite apple recipe to be included.

Save the date - There will be a Sisterhood Sukkot luncheon on Tuesday, October 11 at Etz Chayim. Delicious food and fun activities are being planned.

SAVE THE DATE: We are so excited that Naomi Baron and Andrea Delman will be doing their next Book Discussion & “Art Tour” on Wednesday, November 16 at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom. The book being discussed is Year of Wonders by Geraldine Brooks. This is a historical novel about a small English town 100 miles outside of London. The year is 1666, and the town has been struck by plague. Published in 2001, the book explores how ordinary people respond to catastrophe.
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According to the National Safety Council, 25 million students nationwide take the school bus daily. Approximately 26 students are killed and 9,000 injured each year in incidents involvingschoolbuses. Keeping alert, knowing the traffic laws, and watching out for children getting on or off school buses is key to keeping our kids safe.

With school starting, school buses will be back on our roadways and our children will be crossing the streets more frequently.

You would be surprised how many drivers are not aware of Ohio Laws concerning passing a school bus. Below is information for motorists and students to help ensure our children’s safety. For more information on Ohio traffic laws, view the Digest of Motor Vehicle Laws available through the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

Never pass a school bus with flashing lights

In the state of Ohio, you must stop when driving from either direction (does not apply to multiple-lane or divided highways) until the children are safely off the street and the school bus stops. The yellow flashing lights signal you to slow down and prepare to make a complete stop. When the red light flashes, your vehicle must be fully stopped, even if the "stop sign" arm is not extended on the side of the bus.

**What Do the Red/Yellow Lights Mean?**

- **Yellow/Amber Flashing Lights** - The bus is preparing to stop and pick up or discharge students. Normally turned on approximately 300 feet before bus stops. Motorists should prepare to stop as soon as the bus comes to a complete stop and/or the red flashing lights come on.

**Red Flashing Lights - Motorists must stop.** Students are exiting or boarding the bus. Stop 10 feet from the front or rear of a school bus and do not proceed until the bus resumes motion. Never pass a school bus that has red flashing lights on, even if the “stop sign” arm is not extended on the side of the bus.

- **Red Lights/Stop Sign - Must Stop**

When the red-light flashes, your vehicle must be fully stopped, even if the "stop sign" arm is not extended on the side of the bus.

**Tips for Students for a Safe Ride**

Children should not rely on them to do so. The National Safety Council urges parents to teach their children the following safety rules for getting on and off the bus, and for exercising good behavior while riding.

**Getting on the Bus**

- **Use the handrail when exiting.**
- **If you must cross in front of the bus, first walk at least 10 feet ahead until you can see the driver.**
- **Make sure the driver can see you.**
- **Wait for a signal from the driver before crossing.**
- **When the driver signals, look left, right, then left again. Walk across the road and keep an eye out for sudden traffic changes.**
- **If your vision is blocked, move to an area where you can see other drivers and they can see you.**
- **Do not cross the center line of the road until the driver signals it is safe.**
- **Always stay away from the rear wheels of the bus.**

**Getting Off the Bus**

- **Use the handrail when exiting.**
- **Do not drive distracted. Most vehicle crashes are due to distracted drivers. No text or call is worth injury or loss of life.**

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- **Always stay away from the rear wheels of the bus.**
National Young Leadership Harry Levison Young Leadership Award - Tamara Green

Originally from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Tamara moved to Toledo to attend Bowling Green State University (BGSU) and the Medical College of Ohio for Physical Therapy (PT) school. She has worked as a PT for many years and now enjoys inspiring leaders in the PT space as a District Director at ATI Physical Therapy.

Tamara and her husband of 15 years, Jeff Green, founded the Toledo Jewish community immediately after their wedding. Tamara now serves as CEO of the Green household alongside Jeff where they enjoy raising their three children, Gabriel (12), Avi (10), and Maya (7).

Tamara completed the Young Leadership Development program of Toledo in 2007 and, currently Secretary on the JFGF Executive Committee, has now served as a member of the Jewish Federation Board for five years. She enjoys engaging in her local Jewish community, as philanthropy has been a part of her life since college. She hopes to inspire her children about the importance of giving back, as the Toledo Jewish community has become their adopted Jewish family.

Shining Light Awards

Mary Bilyeu

Mary Bilyeu is deeply grateful for the Toledo area’s small-but-mighty and “haymish” Jewish community, which so many generously support in faith and love. She has tried to follow these examples by working on the Jewish Community Program Committee and two food festivals, by promoting and participating in Federation and shul programs, and by helping in any other way that she can. Mary has also loved attending the book and film festivals, concerts, and FriendCircle dinner dates; cooking, hosting, and dining with friends; and joining in countless other activities.

Mary has been The Blade’s Food Editor since 2014 and is a notoriously crazy cat lady who lives with her long-time partner, Craig Rockkind, and his daughter, Jennifer. She recently welcomed her son Jeremy from the Philippines (after an extended pandemic-related stay) with his wife, Jelley Mae, and their gorgeous son - Mary’s first grandchild - Jacob.

Bob Wick Jewish Community Service Award - Sautters’ Market

Founded in downtown Toledo in 1927, Sautter’s Market has been a Toledo area staple for generations. Passed down from generation to generation, the family-owned specialty market refuses to compromise on quality and prides the old-fashioned comforts of a neighborhood market with the latest trends in grocery. Sautter’s is being honored for its support of local food needs, especially with kosher products.

Sautter’s Market

Marjorie Siegel Jewish Communal Service Award of Excellence - Daniel Becker

Danny Becker, youngest of three children, was born in Columbus, Ohio to Sara and Albert Becker (z”l). He attended The Ohio State University and graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 1974 with a B.A. in Business Administration. Additionally, he holds graduate certificates from the University of Toledo and Eastern Michigan University.

Danny married Cindy Bines in 1978 in Milwaukee, where they met. They moved their young family to Toledo in 1990. In Toledo, they joined Congregation Etz Chayim. Their two sons, David and Ben, both graduates of the Hebrew Academy of Toledo and Sylvania Southview High School, are currently living in Cleveland. Ben is married to Jennie, and they are the parents of almost-three-year-old Abi.

An active member of Congregation Etz Chayim, Danny joined the board as a Trustee in 2000 and later served as Vice President of Finance and President. He also served as President and Vice President of Membership and Programming of Etz Chayim’s Men’s Club for over 10 years. He is a recipient of Etz Chayim’s Harry Levinstein Service Award and the Morris Lubinski Memorial Award in 2004. When he’s not leading committee meetings, Danny can be found cooking brisket or grilling hot dogs for Etz Chayim events.

During the past eight years, Danny involved himself in all aspects of “chessed shel emet” (true kindness) in the Toledo Jewish Community Cemetery Association (TJCCA). The Association restored the cemetery chapel, modernized record keeping, and improved the groundskeeping methods. Danny is the current chair of the Association.

Ben and Shirley Schall Spirit of Competition Award - Robert Axonovitz

Robert Axonovitz was born in Toledo, Ohio to Louis and Lena Axonovitz. He and wife Lisa (née Kaufman) have been married for 49 years and have two sons, Scott and Ian. Robert graduated from DeVilbiss High School and The Ohio State University, receiving his medical education at the University of Toledo Medical Center (UTMC - formerly Medical College of Ohio). He has held numerous professional positions, including Toledo Hospital/ProMedica Metro Hospital Chief of Staff, past Active Medical Director of local hospice, and work with the Alzheimer’s Association. He has been actively affiliated with UTMC and ProMedica for many years. Currently in his fourth decade practicing internal medicine, he happily enjoys spending time with his two grandchildren, Cooper and Shaine.

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo Leadership Awards

Jewish Federation & Foundation of Greater Toledo

Helen Grubb

Helen Grubb grew up in Toledo and attended the Hebrew Academy elementary school. She received her Bachelor of Fine Arts from The University of Toledo with a concentration in printmaking. She has been involved in the activist community of Toledo for years, including work with Toledo-area progressives and the “I Rise” committee. She helped organize Toledo’s first women’s march and has volunteered with Planned Parenthood and the Agnes Repplier Twilight Board. She lives in Sylvania and is a member of Congregation B’nai Israel with her husband, Kristoffer Mann.

Adam Goldberg

Adam Goldberg grew up in Toledo and went to the Hebrew Academy. He received his BFA from Bowling Green State University then opened Gathered Glassblowing Studio in Toledo’s Warehouse District. After moving with his wife, Alisa, to Austria, he, for three years, returned to Toledo where he is a practicing artist. He currently serves on the Jewish Community Relations Council as the Current Events and Civic Engagement Chair.

In February, Adam and Andrea welcomed their son, Astor, into the world. They look forward to continuing to build community here in Toledo.

Deborah Norin-Kuehn

Deborah Norin-Kuehn holds Doctoral and Master’s degrees from the Eastman School of Music, an Artist Diploma from the Curtis Institute, and a Bachelor’s degree from Kent State, all in voice performance. Born in Cleveland and raised in Akron, Deborah comes from a musical family. Her maternal great grandfather, Jacob Resnik, was the first cantor on Cleveland’s west side, and her maternal grandmother, Simon Norin, was a cantorial performer in the Yiddish Theater. Other notable relatives include the late astronaut Judith Resnik and staunch Zionist Vladimir Jabotinsky.

A college voice professor for over three decades, Deborah performs internationally, specializing in contemporary Jewish music. She maintains a private voice studio and volunteers, teaching remote lessons to young Israeli singers at the Akko and Matte Ashar Conservatories through the Western Galilee Partnership2Gether program.

Deborah first arrived at the Temple as “fill-in Cantor” over 20 years ago. She and husband Mikel are the proud parents of Stefan, 26, a programmer in Mexico City; Zoe, 20, a comedy and film student in Chicago.

Nancy Newbury Spirit of JFS Award - Mark Wexler

Mark Wexler was born and raised in Toledo. He graduated from Ottawa Hills High School in 1970 and attended The University of Toledo where he received a degree in Computer Science. In 1975, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. He retired from the Air Force with 22 years of service in 2003 and retired from working for the Social Security Administration in 2018.

In 2005, Mark was selected to be in the JCC Sports Hall of Fame for his accomplishments in the sport of bowling. He was a member of Team USA at the 2005 World Macabbi Games in Israel and again at the 2011 European Macabbi Games in Vienna, Austria.

Mark has assisted Aspiring Hands, an organization that gives young adults with high functioning disabilities the opportunity to volunteer their services to other 501(c)(3) organizations. Currently, he drives veterans round trip from the Toledo VA Clinic to the Ann Arbor VA hospital for medical appointments.

Mark is also an active member of the Joseph W. Diefenbaker Post 468 American Legion in Sylvania and a Boy Scout Commissioner for Cub Pack and Scout Troop 87 in Sylvania. He volunteers time to Camp Miakonda where he does renovations, remodeling, grass cutting, meal preparation in the kitchen, and work in the Trading Post. He delivers Meals on Wheels for Temple Shomer Emunim and responds to any requests from Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo for a Handy Helper.

Leadership Award - Cooper and Sloane

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Jewish Toledo Film Festival

Opening Night of the 8th Jewish Toledo Film Festival included showings of *The Automat* (Horn & Hardart Movie) and *The Gefilte Film*. The evening was rated 100% and certified geschmack (delicious) on Kosher Tomatoes.

Night two included a viewing of *Fiddler's Journey to the Big Screen* (documentary) featuring very special guest, Neva Small (Chava from the original 1971 *Fiddler on the Roof* film). The event was especially meaningful as it was initially scheduled to take place pre-Covid and finally came to fruition after many a sunrise and sunset.

JFGT’s major donors to the Annual Campaign were invited to a pre-movie dinner and presentation during which Ms. Small shared memories and behind-the-scenes info about her career and the making of *Fiddler on the Roof*. She led a singalong, bringing out the Tevye and Chava (and other legendary characters) in every guest.

Ms. Small’s tireless storytelling, singing, question answering, autograph signing, and genuine kindness toward all attendees resulted in a magical evening for every *Fiddler* fan.

The Film Festival ended with a viewing of *Greener Pastures* and an assortment of Israeli treats.

Thank you to everyone who came to one, two, or all three of our events this year. We truly can’t do any of this without you.
Federation and Foundation’s Experience a Memorable Overnight Jewish Initiative (EMOJI) is designed to offer children between the ages of seven and 16 a Jewish camping experience for just $250 for first-time campers, or at a very reduced cost for children who are returning to a Jewish camp.

The process is simple. Parents register their child(ren) for camp and apply for any applicable subsidies through the camp and through their temple (if affiliated). Then, each applicant completes a community application for support from Federation and Foundation.

Visit www.jewishtoledo.org/emoji for more information. Questions? Contact Hallie Freed at 419-724-0362 or hallie@jewishtoledo.org.

BY THE NUMBERS:
• 34 Campers in 2022
• 12 first-time campers
• $11,000 from the Jewish Experience Fund
• $60,000 from the TJCF Community Needs Fund

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– Allie Berns, parent

“I love camp because it’s a place where you can be yourself and have fun. You are in a community where nobody will judge you and you are having fun doing awesome activities at the same time.”
– Julia Rhodes, camper

“Over the past six years as a camper, I have learned so much about myself and my Jewish identity. Camp has magic. A special kind of magic that lets you bond with each of your cabinmates in your own way. I have loved every summer I’ve gone. Camp is a place where everyone can be themselves. I am so grateful for everyone who has helped me be able to attend camp.”
– Cayden Greenblatt, camper

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“I love going to camp to meet other Jewish kids from around the world! In my camp I got to meet boys from Russia, Brazil, Chile, Venezuela, France, Italy, China, and more! I loved all the activities, but my favorite by far was rafting. Thank you to EMOJI for helping me have the summer of my life!”
– Mendel Matusof, camper

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“My name is Esther Goldstein, and I am a Temple Shomer Emunim congregant. This summer I was given the wonderful opportunity to travel to Israel with my camp, GUlI, for a month. This experience not only shaped me, but changed my opinions, educated me, gave me the opportunity to see a completely different lifestyle, and so much more.

We traveled to several meaningful locations, such as Holocaust museums, army memorials, the Kotel, and some famous historical landmarks such as Masada. I never would’ve imagined coming back with the experience I had. This trip has encouraged me in so many ways. I’ve considered a gap year in Israel, a summer there, Birthright, and even making Aliyah.

For the first time, both sessions at GUlI were mixed for my year, and I got to meet a whole new group of teens. Many of these teens became my best friends very quickly. Since only being home for a short few weeks, I’ve already visited four of these new friends in St. Louis.

All the friendships and experiences I gained through this trip would not have been possible without the generosity of the Toledo Jewish community, the Federation, the EMOJI program, my Temple, and my parents. I will never forget this amazing opportunity, and these memories that will last me more than a lifetime. I am so grateful I was able to experience this, and I hope that one day I can give back to help other Jewish teens have this experience.
Camp Inspiration

Day 1 of Camp Inspiration 2022 was full of magical adventures, including a mix of art stations (slime, magic wands, paper plate spirals, and pool noodle monsters), a Metroparks Mobile Mountain Bike Course, a “Mission Impossible” obstacle course, and a magic show with Andrew Martin.

Camp Inspiration Day 2 was all about nature and animals, as we gathered and scavenged for craft supplies, created nature bracelets and pinecone bird feeders, recycled old CD-Rs into fish, met a variety of new animal friends courtesy of Frogtown Exotics, and ended the day with ice cream sundaes and paper plate awards.

On the penultimate session of Camp Inspiration, we spent the day learning all about Israel, STEM, sun, sand, and marbles. A special thanks to Renée and Jude from Imagination Station for helping us create marble mazes!

Camp Inspiration came to a close on day four, but not before our campers performed a range of mitzvahs (including gifting friendship bracelets and kindness notes to our local seniors attending a craft event of their own at the Sekach Building) and cooled off with a foam party.

Thank you to the Inspiration Fund!

Havdalah

All endings lead to new beginnings. Last month, we had a special Havdalah to celebrate the end of Shabbat with a bunch of our campers and their families. We kept an eye out for three stars in the sky while eating pizza, creating family hand portraits, and making s’mores, looking forward to both a new week and a new school year for all.

Welcome back, Camp Wise campers! We missed you lots.
Wishing you a sweet New Year!

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