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Introducing our new Life and Legacy program

The Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley is very excited to introduce its most recent initiative: to integrate legacy giving within our local Jewish community in order to continue the important work of our local Jewish organizations in perpetuity through.

The Michiana Jewish community is fortunate

to be one of eight small communities in North America to be accepted into the Harold Grinspoon Foundation and the Jewish Federations of North America's Life & LegacyTM Program. The Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley, Midwest Torah Center, Sinai Synagogue, South Bend Hebrew Day School, Temple B'nai Shalom and Temple Beth-El



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all have eagerly jumped on board. All of us will receive training, support materials, and expert ad-

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Arab-Israeli diplomat to visit community

The feature article in the July 28, 2015 edition of Tablet Magazine reads: "Israel's Best Diplomat Offers Hope to the Entire Middle East." The article is referring to George Deek, the articulate young Arab-Israeli diplomat who will be the guest of our Federation's Community Relations Committee.

Deek will be speaking at Notre Dame on Friday, April 8 and at Sinai Synagogue on Saturday, April 9 during services. The community is invited to hear him speak at Sinai Synagogue. The topic of his talk will be, "Representing the Jewish"

State: Lessons from an Arab-Israeli Diplomat."

A veteran of the Israeli diplomatic corps, George Deek is an Attorney-at-Law, and currently a Fulbright scholar at Georgetown University. George hails from an Arab-Christian family that has lived in Jaffa for over 400 years. From a young age, George was involved in the promotion of mutual understanding between Jews and Arabs in Israel.

George has served in a number of diplomatic positions in Israeli embassies around the world, including as Chargé d'Affaires in Norway and Deputy Chief of Mission in Nigeria. Most recently he was responsible for the BDS file in the International Law department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Jerusalem. George was awarded Israel's outstanding diplomat of 2014 by the MFA.

frequent public George has speaker, shared his thoughts and personal story with students at universities and institutes research in countries. many speech in Oslo, Norway, in 2014, has received widespread attention and accolades, and led to profiles in several media out-



lets, such as Tablet magazine. For his efforts, *The Algemeiner* magazine selected him as one of 2014's Top 100 People Positively Influencing Jewish Life in the World.

For more details on his visit, please contact Bob Feferman, Community Relations Director, at rfeferman@thejewishfed.org or (574) 339-5800.

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Save the Date

Yom HaShoah Memorial Program Thursday, May 5, 2016

Showing of "One Flight For Us" at 5:30 PM* Commemoration Program Begins at 7:00 PM

*We will also show "One Flight For Us" at 4:30 PM on May 1, 2016



The Federation's Yom Hashoah program this year focuses on redemption and triumph. We are showing the documentary "One Flight For Us," and are bringing in as our

speaker Avi Maor a pilot from Israel. Avi Maor helped organize the 2003 flight over Auschwitz as part of International Holocaust Remembrance Day and took part by piloting one of the planes.

"One Flight For Us" is a film by Haim Hecht and is based on Professor David S. Wyman writings titled The Abandonment of the Jews. "One Flight For Us" reveals research and evidence that prove beyond doubt that allies, led by U.S. and Britain, knew of the destruction of Europe's Jews and remained silent. Even while in Auschwitz crematorium and the railroads leading to the camp were within the range of U.S. planes, there wasn't even one flight for the Jewish people, one flight designated to bomb the ovens and rail-

roads, thus stopping the destruction of the Jews. Brig. General Amir Eshel, an air force pilot who has learned this period of history, initiated and realized "One Flight For Us," a formation of three F-15s of the Israeli Air Force flying over Auschwitz. Feelings of redemption and triumph emerge as the formation of Israeli fighter jets "paint" a clear statement in the sky: NEVER AGAIN.

Unto Every Person There Is A Name

Our community's participation in the worldwide Holocaust memorial project, "Unto Every Person There is a Name" will take place on Thursday, May 20 at the County Courthouse. Name readings will begin at 10:00 AM. At 12:00 we will pause our name reading for our candle lighting ceremony and a presentation by our guest speaker Avi Maor.

Following the noon program, the reading of names will continue until 3:00 PM.

If you would like to volunteer to read names please contact the Jewish Federation office at 574-233-1164 to schedule a time to read.

Countdown to camp continues by Rowan Kelley

Planning for this summer's Camp Ideal continues, and things are coming together beautifully. We have a phenomenal lineup of educators coming to the Jewish Federation's campus this summer, who will lead a variety of high quality experiential learning activities for our campers all summer long. For those of you who know Yuval, it will not come as a surprise that in addition to serving as our Assis-

tant Director, he will be leading our sports activities. You can also count on an amazing program from our art, music, tumbling, cooking, and naturalist instructors. We also have a great line-up of field trips, like our South Bend Cubs Day, as well as regular trips to the beach at Clear Lake. Finally, every Friday will feature a different Rabbi from the community visit-

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The mission of the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley is to serve the Jewish people—locally, in Israel, and throughout the world—through coordinated fund raising, community-wide programming, social services, and educational activities.

Life and Legacy

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vice from experienced professionals in the field.

However, the best part of the two-year program is the incentive grants for our participating organizations. Each of our community agencies that receive 18 new letters of intent during each year of the program can earn up to \$10,000.00 from the Grinspoon Foundation. In a nut shell, Life & Legacy will enable our community's Jewish organizations to thrive now and for future generations.

Starting next month we will be listing all of our existing, as well as our new, Life & Legacy Society Members. We hope your love for our community will help this list grow over the next few years. Also check out our new Life & Legacy webpage at: thejewish-fed.org/life-legacy.

We invite you to join our Life & Legacy Society by contacting us to discuss a Letter of Intent. By doing so you will:

• Help ensure that Federation programs such as community relations efforts, Camp Ideal and summer scholarships, camp Jewish Family Social Services, community programming, leadership development, publication of the Our Community News, and support of religious

THIS PASSOVER REFLECT ON THE PAST AND IMPACT THE FUTURE



Please remember the Jewish community in your will, estate plan or by beneficiary designation.

Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley

Midwest Torah Center

Sinai Synagogue

South Bend Hebrew Day School

Temple Beth-El

Temple B'nai Shalom

To create your Jewish legacy contact: Ben Davis at the Jewish Federation, 574-233-1164 or any of the organizations listed above.



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school education continue to exist.

 Help ensure that our Synagogues are strong so they can offer the spiritual support and education to our community for future generations.

- Meet emerging future needs in the local and worldwide Jewish community.
- Make a difference in the lives of others for many years to come.

Your bequest will ensure that what you value, the Michiana Jewish Community, will live on proudly and with strength. Thank you in advance, and we look forward to talking with each of you face-to-face in the future.

What We Learned

About Birds of Michiana

At our Lunch 'N Learn on March 9, we were pleased to welcome Jan McGowan from Wild Birds Unlimited speak to us about the arrival of spring birds in Michiana. Ms. McGowan showed us maps of migratory patterns, and photographs of the types of birds we might expect to see over the coming months. We also heard recordings of

some local bird sounds, and were challenged to try to identify each bird by it's unique songs. McGown then answered questions as to which kind of bird feeder and seeds would attract the type of bird we wanted to see in our backyards. We are looking forward to having Jan return in the fall to share with us more about the birds of Michiana.

Babies, Tots 'n' Blocks



Children 0-5 and parents are invited to join us from 9:30 – 11:00 AM for playtime, crafts, and story time. For more information contact Lizzie at 574-233-1164, ext. 104 or email lfagen@thejewishfed.org.

Babies, Tot's 'n' Blocks will meet once a month during the months of January through May. We will expand on the theme of the month, through play, story, song, and refreshments!

Our date for April is Monday, April 11th Our Theme for April is Passover

Needle Arts

Our Needle Arts Group knits, crochets, does needle point or other projects. We welcome all skill levels, provide instruction, and can supply materials if your project goes to charity. You can bring your own project, help us with our charity projects, or come to learn.

For our current charity project we need: hats and scarves for children to adult sizes, men and women. We are also are looking for dish cloths (100% cotton), ponchos and slippers.

If you only have time to knit or crochet some squares of 5x5", we will gladly accept them to assemble them into blankets. Please drop off your hand-made donations at the Federation. Donations of yarn and other needle arts supplies are always welcome.

Upcoming schedule: 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM on April 24, 28. May 12, 26. June 9, 23.

April Lunches

Lunch 'n' Learn: Our Russian Community April 6 at 12:00 PM

At our April Lunch 'n' Learn we will watch a film about our Russian Community. This wonderful hour long presentation was first shown as part of a Lunch 'n' Learn shortly after it was recorded and was well-received by our community.

Our lunch will include traditional Russian dishes. Please join us as we enjoy the stories of our Russian community members and the foods that are special to them.

Passover Holiday and Birthday Lunch April 13 at 12:00 PM

We'll be celebrating Passover with all thing Chametz! Pasta, sandwiches, grains and floured desserts! Come get your fill before Passover begins. Entertainment will be provided by the South Bend Symphony Orchestra Quintet. RSVPS are requested, and the cost for this meal is \$5 with reservations.

RSVPS are requested for all lunches in order to ensure we have prepared enough food for all participants. You can RSVP by calling 574-233-1164 or by email to emilyb@thejewishfed.org

Monthly Senior Jewish Programming

Join our Jewish Family Services social workers, Stephanie Scharf or Lizzie Fagen for **Essen and Fressen** (Snacks and Schmoozing)

April 7th at 1:30 PM at Holy Cross

April 14th at 1:30 PM at Tanglewood

The subject of April's programs

will be Passover.



Warmest Wishes for a Joyous Passover Season

> Jewish Family Services

Lizzie Fagan, Stephanie Scharf, Nancy Kennedy



Caring Connections

Since September 2015, **Jewish** Family Services (JFS) has been using the CARING CONNECTIONS column to describe and explain the types of services we offer. These services include; transportation, senior services, shortterm and solution focused counseling, kosher food pantry, and more. Now, it is time to explain how a community member can actually access these services. This column will explain the process that connects a community member to the services offered by JFS and the community-atlarge.

To begin the explanation, we must first understand the purpose of Jewish Family Services. Our purpose is to strengthen the lives of **Jewish** community members by providing helpful and caring social services to foster the personal growth, dignity, and quality of life in every individual, couple and family. When the quality of life of a community member is negatively impacted by a stress or challenge, JFS can provide the support needed to counteract that impact. This is done by helping community members strategize about the cause of their stress and how to appropriately address it by strengthening the support network in that person's life. This is done through a process known as intake assessment. Here's

how it works:

A community member makes an appointment with a IFS staff member (social workers: Lizzie Fagen and Stephanie Scharf in South Bend, IN and Nancy Kennedy in Southwest, MI) by calling Federation's main phone at 574-233-1164 and following the prompts to Jewish Family Services.

Once an appointment has been scheduled, the community member meets personally with a JFS staff member. This first stage is the intake appointment where basic information is shared with the social worker vis-à-vis the presenting stress or challenge. During this intake appointment, the social worker will begin the second stage assessment...or the community sessing member's internal and external coping mechanisms, support systems, strengths. Sometimes, intake and assessment can happen in one session between community and social worker. Other times a community member may meet with the social worker over several sessions or appointments.

After the intake and initial assessment have been completed, the community member and JFS staff member will go over available and appropriate resources and services offered both by Jewish Family Services and the com-

munity-at-large — to address the challenges or stress in that individual or family's life. Sometimes a JFS staff member and community member briefly to resolve and stabilize an issue. Other times there is a flurry of activity, then a monthly maintenance program put in place, for continued assessment and support. All this depends on the complexity of the issue in the person's life. This is not to be confused with specialized, clinical, therapeutic counseling conducted weekly or bi-weekly by a clinical social worker. That type of therapy is referred to mental health specialists in the community-at-large. Rather, monthly contact with a JFS staff member involves the strategizing, assessment, and mobilization of a community member's sources and support network - to stabilize and resolve the conflict in that person's life.

JFS social workers are available to help community members process the stress and challenges in their lives. Call us. We are only a phone-call away.

Did You Know?



Did you know that at Purim time Jewish Family Services, in partner-ship with the South Bend Hebrew Day School makes and distributes Purim bags to members of our Michiana community? Each bag is filled with lovingly-made crafts by our SBHDS students, Purim trivia,

and Hamantashen. A taste of Purim in each bag brought to our member's homes!



Concert Schedule:

Sunday, April 3, 2016: Klezmer Stories

Sunday, May 22, 2016 Finding Humanity in a Digital World

Concerts begin at 3:00 PM.

Suggested donation at the door (\$10 adults, \$5 seniors/students). Further information about the concerts, performers, and repertoire can be found at www.claricello.com/muse or by calling Jason at 574-229-5165.

Passover Appeal

A huge thank you, "todah rabah" for the generous outpouring of donations, gas cards, and grocery cards that we have received from our community members for the kosher food pantry and Maot Chittim/Passover appeal. The generosity of our community is always inspiring!

The Kosher food pantry is still in need of Maot Chittim Passover donations. The specific items we still need to help our community members celebrate Pesach in their homes are grocery cards (Meijers, Midwest Kosher, Martins, etc.), grape juice and monetary donations to our Passover Appeal Campaign.

For more information on our Kosher Food Pantry, or if you would like to discuss donation options, please contact Lizzie Fagen at 574-233-1164 x 104.

Our warmest wishes for a Happy Passover Paula & Tony Kupferer



Our warmest wishes for a Happy Passover Andrew and Larissa Hertzberg

Our Warmest wishes for a Happy Passover Mary Sue & Terry Austin



In Memory of Harry Zavatsky



Warmest wishes for a Happy Passover Lisa, Billy, Max, Ari & Josh Lerman

Passover Greetings Helen and Barth Pollak





Our Warmest Wishes for a Happy Passover Sally & Roger Hamburg

Happy Passover Stephanie Scharf



Wishing all our friends a joyous Passover Anita, Stu & Yuval Fishman





Our warmest wishes for a Happy Passover Dan Hektor & Tela Schulman-Hektor

With warmest wishes for a Happy Passover Gloria Wolvos





Wishing all our friends a joyous Passover Temple Beth-El Dollars & Sense

Our Warmest wishes for a Happy Passover Alan & Gail Dowty



Happy Passover The Sloman Family





Passover Greetings Ruth & Judy Heumann

In Our Gallery

On display through April 27th

Transitions in Tranquility

A collection of watercolor paintings by Patricia Vollmer



Coming in May

Works From The Segura Arts Studio Opening Reception May 1, 2016 from 2:00 – 4:00 PM



The Segura Publishing Company was founded by, Joseph Segura in 1981, in Tempe, Arizona. The studio played a important role in contemporary printmaking with an

initial focus on collaboration with artist-printmakers and print process. This was followed with a focus on artists whose work had a political message. Segura was drawn to work that was marginalized, that of Women, African Americans, Latinos, and Native Americans.

The work in this exhibition reflects a profound social engagement with works by artists such as Claudia Bernardi, Enrique Chagoya, , Sue Coe and Faith Ringgold and Terry Evans. These artists express concerns of abuse of power, culture wars, race, gender and citizenship.

Now with a new generation of artists-activists in the studio, this conversation continues. Providing artists access to a medium and a way to share their ideas with a wider audience is central to the mission of the studio, as is the placement of this work in museums and collections where it will be seen by a wider audience and continue to influence contemporary culture.

The studio was re-named the Segura Arts Studio with its acquisition by the University of Notre Dame in 2013. This brought the mission to the community in South Bend. The studio continues to invite activist artists, bringing their work to the community and emphasizing not only the importance of collaborative practice, but of activism and education.

Federation Book Club by Beth Buechler

The Federation Book Club meets monthly at the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley at 12 noon for about an hour. Upcoming books and dates are listed below.

In March, we discussed *Henna House* by Nomi Eve—a novel full of distinctive characters exploring the exotic and terrifying culture of pre-WWII Yemen. After meeting her cousin and notorious aunt, young Adela becomes enthralled by their mysterious craft of body painting on women. The first question brought up during our meeting was whether or not this "really happened."

Since the novel calls both truth and memory into question, we discussed our ability to learn deeper truths of human nature through reading novels. John Gardner's famous statement, "Fiction is a lie to get at the truth," helped us agree that *Henna House* has given us these truths even in light of metaphor, magic, and superstition. The group admitted our own personal superstitions, laughed, and discussed how lack of education fuels false belief systems. Although education itself will never completely rid the world of superstition, *Henna House* confirms the empowerment of women through literacy. This occurs most clearly when Adela meets young refugee girls on the beach and teaches them Hebrew letters in the sand. For the first time, they are learning to write their names. Adela is so impressed by their enthusiasm that teaching becomes her life's vocation.

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Best wishes for a
Happy Passover
The Officers and Staff
of the Jewish Federation
of St. Joseph Valley





Our Warmest Wishes for a Joyous Passover Pinky & Bud Raab

Wishing all our friends a joyous Passover Sally Goloubow





Passover Greetings Minette Brown

From the desk of Israeli Shaliach

Time for Passover- and spring by Yuval Shaham

I can't believe it's April already! April is always about two things: Passover and the beginning of the spring! This April I find myself getting ready for the ceremonies for Yom Hazikaron and Ha'Azmaut that will take place on May 15th (you don't want to miss the "Flight to Israel!") but before that – I'm getting ready for Passover.

Passover commemorates the liberation of the nation of Israel from bondage in Egypt. The story of Exodus, although a thousand years old, is still relevant today. At the traditional seder meal we read, "in every generation a person should see himself as though he personally has liberated been from Egypt."

This idea often makes me think about what does freedom means to me personally? What does it mean to us all? How appropriate that we think about this concept at springtime. I feel that spring is the perfect time to think about change, growth and freedom.

Passover for me is also a family holiday. The seder in my family in Israel is the best dinner of the year. My family from all over Israel gets together to celebrate. Sometimes it's the only time of the year that I see some of my cousins.

I'm sad to be far away from my family for the first time on Passover, but I'm happy and blessed to celebrate this year with my second family – our community.

I find myself surrounded by amazing people here in South Bend who make me really feel like part of the family. Like I said, Passover is a family holiday and the big highlight

it's the seder, always a big meal with great food.

Unfortunately, some people in Israel, and also here in America, can't afford to provide themselves a seder. Since I was a child, I went every year before Passover to volunteer together with many other Maccabi Tel Aviv (sports club) fans to pack food packages for needy families before Passover. In Israel, we have a lot of people who needs help included many Holocaust survivors who can barely feed themselves.

It's ironic to me that after they survived the Nazi's horrors those people don't have food for the holiday when they are in Israel – the country they dreamed to be in. The group I was part of is called, "Achim La'Semel."

Achim La'Semel is a

very big group of Maccabi Tel Aviv fans who give from their own time and money to help other people all around Israel. I think that sports have a huge power for good and I'm very proud that I'm part of a fan's group who, besides helping our team win, help people to win in life.

Like every Passover, I'm going to try to help other people who need our help if it's here or in Israel to celebrate this great holiday. As I wrote at the beginning, Passover is a time to search within ourselves and be who we really want to be. We can go after our dreams, big or small. Let us not be guided by negative thoughts but rather positive affirmation.

Happy Passover!

Yom HaZikaron Memorial

Sunday, May 16, 2016 at 4:00 PM

Please join us to commemorate Israel's Memorial Day, the most solemn of days in Israel.





On this day, we remember fallen Israeli soldiers and victims of terrorism. Please join us in honoring them.

Celebrate Yom Ha'Atzmaut! "Flight to Israel"

Sunday, May 15, 2016 at 5:00 PM

Get ready for our very special "Flight to Israel" to celebrate Israel Independence Day!

Watch for your flight tickets soon!





6th Annual Michiana Jewish Film Festival

May 9-12, 2016

At DeBartolo Performing Arts Center on the Campus of University of Notre Dame

Tickets are on sale today!

Ticket Prices Are:
\$7 General Admission
\$5 Senior Admission (Ages 65 and up)
\$4 Child/Students (All Ages)



Tickets are currently available through the box office at the DeBarto-lo Performing Arts Center. You can purchase tickets by visiting the box office at 100 Performing Arts Center, Notre Dame, calling (574) 631-2800, or online at performingarts.nd.edu.

If you haven't yet donated, there is still time to join our list of sponsors! Contributions to the Film Festival are

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always welcome, and help offset the rising cost of this community wide event.

Contact Emily at emilyb@thejewishfed.org or by phone by calling 574-233-1164 to donate today, by email to or visit our website at thejewishfed.org/annual-michiana-jewish-filmfestival.



Son of Saul

A NOTE TO OUR SPONSORS

If you are a sponsor at a level that receives vouchers, you will receive them by mail shortly. Please remember that vouchers ARE NOT TICKETS and must be traded in at the box office to redeem. Vouchers do not guarantee admission until they are redeemed.

Come for the films, stay for the company!

will be time between the 5:30 PM and 8:00 PM films to enjoy dinner with your fellow film patrons. You are always welcome to bring your own meal, but we invite you to consider the din-

As is tradition, there

Legends of Notre Dame will be onsite prior to the 5:30 PM show. You can place an order with their staff and the food will be waiting for you at the film's conclusion.

ing options below.

Our sponsor **The Mark Dine & Tap** in Eddy Street Commons is offering a 10% discount to Film Festival Patrons. You can call ahead at (574) 204-2767 and place orders for carry out at the restaurant located at 1234 N Eddy St #111, located conveniently across from the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

For our guests who keep kosher, the Jewish Federation is offering a box lunch option. For \$8 we will provide a tuna or egg salad sandwich, cookie, coleslaw, pickle and a small bottle of water, to be prepared and sealed by our mashgiach, Samara Gold. Chips are available for an additional 50 cents. Orders for the kosher option must be placed no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, May 6. Orders can be placed by calling 574-233-1164 or by email to emilyb@thejewishfed.org.









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Monday, May 9th at 5:30 PM - Dough

Not Rated (contains drug use, some violence)

Widower Nat Dayan (Jonathan Pryce) obstinately clings to his way of life and his livelihood as a Kosher baker in London's East End. With a dwindling clientele and the pressures of encroaching big box stores, Nat reluctantly enlists the help of teenager Ayyash who has a secret side gig selling marijuana to help his struggling immigrant mother make ends meet. When Ayyash accidentally drops his stash into the mixing dough, the challah starts flying off the shelves and an unlikely friendship forms

between the old Jewish baker and his young Muslim apprentice. Dough is a warmhearted and gently humorous story about overcoming prejudice and finding redemption in unexpected places. Sponsored by Uptown Dining Group (The Mark Dine & Tap and Uptown Kitchen).

Monday, May 9th at 8:00 PM - Son of Saul

Rated R (contains violence and graphic nudity)

In this 2016 Academy Award winning film, Saul Ausländer is a Hungarian member of the Sonderkommando, the group of Jewish prisoners isolated from the camp and forced to assist the Nazis in the machinery of large-scale extermination taking place at Auschwitz-Birkenau. While working in one of the crematoriums, Saul discovers the body of a boy he takes for his son. As the Sonderkommando plans a rebellion, Saul decides to carry out an impossible task: save the child's body from the flames, find a rabbi to recite the mourner's Kaddish and offer the boy a proper burial. **Sponsored by The Kurt and Tessye Simon Fund For Holocaust Remembrance.**





Tuesday, May 10th at 5:30 PM – Rosenwald

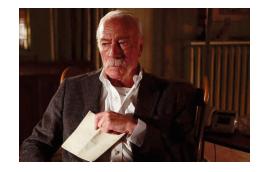
Not Rated (Recommended for all ages)

Aviva Kempner's *Rosenwald* tells the incredible story of Julius Rosenwald, the son of a Jewish immigrant peddler, who rose to become the President of Sears. Inspired by the Jewish focus on Tzedakah (charity) and Tikkun Olam (repairing the world), Rosenwald used his influence and wealth to combat racial inequality by partnering with educator Booker T. Washington and African American communities throughout the south during the Jim Crow era to build over 5,300 schools. **Sponsored by WNIT Public Television.**

Tuesday, May 10th at 8:00 PM - Remember

Rated R (contains violence and language)

In this suspenseful thriller, Academy Award-winner Christopher Plummer portrays an elderly German Jew who struggles with memory loss, and, with help from a fellow Holocaust survivor (Academy Award Winner Martin Landau), embarks on a cross-country odyssey to find the former Nazi responsible for the deaths of their family members. **Sponsored by WNIT Public Television.**











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Wednesday, May 11 at 5:30 PM - Phoenix

Rated PG-13 (contains thematic elements of violence and suggestive material) Nelly Lenz, a Jewish singer and concentration-camp survivor, returns to Berlin after facial reconstruction surgery with the hopes of finding her musician husband in the ruins of the city, against the advice of her friend Lene. When she finally finds him, she struggles with the fact that not only does he not recognize her, but he may in fact have been the one to betray her to the Nazis. Sponsored by The Kurt and Tessye Simon Fund for Holocaust Remembrance.

Wednesday, May 11 at 8:00 PM - Labyrinth of Lies

Rated R (contains scenes of sexuality)

Labyrinth of Lies (Germany's submission to the 2016 Academy Awards) depicts 1958 Germany, where a newly appointed public prosecutor begins investigating the crimes committed at Auschwitz, a place many had never heard of, and more would like to forget. What he discovers will bring to light the country's eagerness to forget its past horrors and will change Germany forever. Sponsored by Saint Joseph Health System.



Join us on Thursday, May 12 as we celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut, with an evening of Israeli documentaries!



Thursday, May 12 at 5:30 PM – Above and Beyond

Not Rated (Recommended for all ages)

In 1948, just three years after the liberation of Nazi death camps, a group of Jewish American pilots answered a call for help. In secret and at great personal risk, they smuggled planes out of the U.S., trained behind the Iron Curtain in Czechoslovakia, and flew for Israel in its War of Independence. As members of Machal – "volunteers from abroad" – this ragtag band of brothers not only turned the tide of the war, they also embarked on personal journeys of discovery and renewed Jewish pride. **Sponsored by Cari & Barry Shein.**

Thursday, May 12 at 8:00 PM — East Jerusalem, West Jerusalem

Not Rated (Recommended for all ages)

Israeli singer-songwriter, David Broza chronicles the creative process of recording his album, East Jerusalem, West Jerusalem. Broza, known for using his music to promote peace, invites Israeli, Palestinian, and American musicians to an East Jerusalem recording studio to create a dialogue across enemy lines at a time when tensions are at an all time high. **Sponsored by Cari & Barry Shein.**





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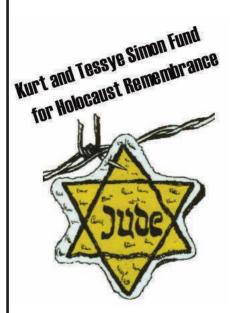












The Kurt & Tessye Simon Fund for Holocaust Remembrance at Temple Beth-El is sponsoring the screenings of *Son of Saul* on Monday, May 9 at 8:00 PM and *Phoenix* on Wednesday, May 11 at 5:30 PM as part of the 6th Annual Michiana Jewish Film Festival. We invite you to join us for these two amazing films.



The Kurt and Tessye Simon Fund for Holocaust Remembrance at Temple Beth-El in South Bend, Indiana is dedicated to developing educational resources for raising awareness of the Holocaust among both the Jewish and non-Jewish communities.

As part of that mission, we invite you to join us in early November as we welcome a speaker at Temple Beth-El as part of the Annual Kristallnacht Memorial program sponsored by the Kurt & Tessye Simon Fund for Holocaust Remembrance. Date and time for that program will be announced to the community as they become available.



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Camp Countdown (Continued from page 2)

ing Camp to make motzi with us and tell us a Shabbat story.

One of the highlights of this summer will be a visit from the Tzofim Friendship Caravan on July 20th, which will feature a special show for the camp during the day, and an evening show for the whole community. I have not seen the Friendship Caravan live before, but from what I hear, it is not to be missed! Look for more information about the Friendship Caravan's visit in an upcoming issue of the OCN.

Camp will run weekdays from 9:00AM to 4:00PM starting on June

27th, and going through until August 5th, with early care starting at 7:00AM and late care until 6:00PM. Please sign up as soon as possible so that we will know how many campers we will have! For questions, to register your camper, or for a scholarship application, please feel free to contact me at 574-233-1164 ext 106, or email me at rkelley@thejewishfed.org. On behalf of Yuval and myself, we can't wait to have a great summer of fun and learning with our campers! We'll see you there!

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Children from the South Bend area are eligible to receive \$1,000 grants to attend JCC Camp Chi. These grants are set aside for campers coming from smaller communities Midwest and can be applied to Camp Chi's three or four week sessions for 4th-10th graders. There are also specific dollars set aside above the \$1,000 grants for additional financial assistance.

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Telling Our Story

Bob Feferman's Mission: Advocacy for Israel in Troubled Times: Part II By Gabrielle Robinson

After a dozen years in Israel, there was another turning point in the Fefermans' lives. In 1988 the family that now had two children, Efrat and Dan, moved back to South Bend, because Bob's ageing parents needed help. Wanting to work with young people, Bob enrolled in IUSB's teacher program while Shoshana worked in Hebrew education. But he could take only one class per semester for he had a demanding full time job at the Family and Children's Center working with emotionally disturbed children. Once he earned his teacher's certification, Bob was offered a position at The Montessori Academy in 1993 where he stayed for the next nineteen years until his retirement.

At the same time Bob became reengaged with Jewish life in South Bend. He taught Sunday school at Temple Beth-El trying to instill in his young students his passion for Israel and its history. He also joined the Simon Fund for Holocaust Remembrance and eventually became its president. One of the highlights for him was when he brought Peter Malkin to Temple Beth-El. He was the Mossad agent who had captured Adolf Eichmann in Argentina.

A 2006 speech of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu inspired Bob to further action. Netenyahu said, "It's 1938, Iran is Nazi Germany, and its racing to arm itself with nuclear weapons". So in 2008, Bob Feferman collaborated with Marzy and Joe Bauer, Debby Grant and the JCRC of Indianapolis to promote an Iran Divestment Bill in the Indiana General Assembly. State Representative David Niezgodski sponsored the bill that was passed in 2009. The bill required Indiana State Pension Funds to divest the fund

of all holdings in Iran's energy sector.

In 2010, Debby Grant, Executive Director of the Iewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley, asked Bob to revive and chair the Relations Community Committee (CRC). He gladly took on the challenge. In 2012, the CRC supported the efforts of the JCRC of Indianapolis to help pass an Iran Contracting Bill. This law stipulates that any company wanting to contract with the State has to prove that it was not working with the Iran energy sector. Upon his retirement from teaching at Montessori in 2013, Bob was appointed Outreach Coordinator for United Against Nuclear Iran (UANI). "We did everything we could to raise awareness of the threat of a nuclear Iran and promote economic sanctions to bring about a diplomatic solution to this challenge".

Today Bob is concerned that Israel faces a major challenge in the US because of negative publicity and delegitimization efforts from the media and anti-Israel groups. Bob is especially critical of the BDS movement, (Boycott Divestment and Sanctions) against Israel. Looking for the best way

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Scholarship deadline May 1st for local Jewish undergrad and grad students

Undergraduate Awards:

Applications for the Craig and Carol Kapson Scholarship and the Lillian and Harvey Roland Scholarship are now available for the 2016 academic year.

The Kapson Scholarship helps Jewish students from our area attend a university, college or technical institute in Indiana.

The Lillian and Harvey Roland Scholarship Fund provides scholarships to college students whose parents are active in the Jewish community and/or are contributors to the Jewish Federation. This scholarship provides assistance to a student matriculating to Indiana University.

Grad Student Awards:

The Neil and Leah Silver Advanced Degree Scholarship will be awarded to Jewish students from our service area to obtain an advanced degree through an accredited university graduate program.

Interested students should call the Federation at 574-233-1154 for an application or go to our website, www.thejewishfed. org to download an application.

Completed applications are due May 1, 2016. Incomplete applications will not be considered.



Everyone has a story to tell, and we would love to hear your story and help you record and/or write it. You can keep your

completed stories private or you can give us permission to publish it. To assist you, we have Gabrielle Robinson, author of several books, Maggie Goldberg (MJHS), and Monika Wayne, Program Associate.

To make an appointment, please contact the Federation or Monika Wayne at 574-233-1164, x119 or by email at mwayne@ thejewishfed.org.

Telling Our Story is a cooperative effort of the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley and the Michiana Jewish Historical Society.

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to describe the movement, he settles on "insidious." He explains that ostensibly BDS talks about freedom, democracy, and peace, but really its goal is to delegitimize Israel and question its right to exist.

Now as Community Relations Director, Bob sees his main job as advocacy and education. His lifelong commitment is further fueled by having a son, daughter-in-law and three grandchildren in Israel. Working with the Committee Relations Committee (CRC), Committee Chair Brian Kordansky and Federation Shlichim, Bob's efforts are passionately focused on presenting Israel in a factual and truly balanced way with proper historic context, especially schools and universities.

Therefore, he says," The only reasonable solution must be a compromise through the two- state solution." He says that the majority of Israelis are united in their desire for a two-state solution as long as it does not jeopardize their very existence.

"When I fell in love with Israel, I also recognized that there was another side to the story. So I did a lot of reading about how Israel came into being. Both Israelis and Palestinians have legitimate claims. That's why the two-state solution has always made sense as the best compro-Hopefully there will be a solution to this tragic conflict in my lifetime, and God willing, Israelis will know peace. That's what I wish for my grandchildren."

Book Club (Continued from Page 7)

April 11, 2016: Beautiful Ruins, by Jess Walter. In the author's own words, this novel is "... a story about fame and how we all endeavor now to live our lives like movie stars, like celebrities, each of us an eager inner publicist managing our careers and our romances and our fragile self-images (our Facebook pages and LinkedIn profiles)." *

May 16, 2016: Snow in August, by Pete Hamill. In 1947 Brooklyn, a friendship develops around the love of baseball between an eleven-year-old Irish Catholic boy and a lonely old rabbi from Prague.

June 20, 2016: The Mystics of Mile End, by Sigal Samuel.

Join us for all or any of these book discussions. For questions and suggestions, please contact Monika Wayne at mwayne@thejewishfed.org, or 574-233-1164, ext. 119.

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*Walter, Jess, Beautiful Ruins, Harper Perennial, New York, NY, 2012

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Judy Shroyer speaks to a full house at the SB Genealogy Association presentation – 2/22/2016

Temple Beth-El

April events at Temple Beth-El:

- ◆ Thursday, April 7, 5:30 PM: Book group "Triangle: The Fire that Changed America" by David Von Drehle. Discussion led by Mady MacMillan.
- ♦ Thursday, April 14, 11 AM 2 PM: Deli Day
- ◆ Sunday, April 17, 4:30 PM: Women's Seder Save the date -

The Shabbat of May 20/21: Installation of Rabbi Karen Companez as Temple Beth-El's rabbi

Midwest Torah Center

Here's our entire class schedule. The expansion is finally wrapping up, but our schedule has never eased:

- * **Sunday:** Shacharis 9 AM; Jewish Law 9:45 AM; Maariv 8PM
- * Monday: 7:45 AM Shacharit; 10 AM Biblical Hebrew; 12 PM Lunch & Learn ND; 7PM Book of Judges; 8PM Maariv
- * **Tuesday:** 8AM Shacharit, 10AM Legends of the Talmud, 7PM The Way of Hashem, 8PM Maariv
- * Wednesday: 8AM Shacharit, 12PM 2nd & 4th Wednesdays Lunch and Learn, 4PM SR NCSY Boys Learning, 7PM 6 Constant Mitzvot, 8PM Maariv
- * Thursday: Shacharit 7:45AM, 10AM Book of Judges, 7PM Study of Weekly Parsha, 8PM Maariv
- * Friday: Shacharit 8AM;12PM IUSB Lunch and Learn
- * Shabbat: Shacharit 9:30AM, Kiddush 11:15AM

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Daily Minyan Schedule: Please go to hocsouthbend.com

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PLEASE RSVP to Rowan at rkelley@thejewishfed.org



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PLEASE RSVP to Rowan at rkelley@thejewishfed.org

Gardening Days for April & May April 3, May 1 and May 22 9:00AM-12:00 PM

It's getting to be that time of year when we need help with our Unity Garden! We will have Garden Mornings this spring on Sundays, April 3, May 1 and May 22, from 9:00AM-12:00PM. Come get your hands dirty working in the garden, and then enjoy a complimentary light lunch!