

*The Chabad House, UJS and the Jewish Federation
invite the entire community*

CHANUKAH KLEZMERIZED!

This event will feature
**“Klezmer Fusion Band”
and Kosher Deli Lunch**

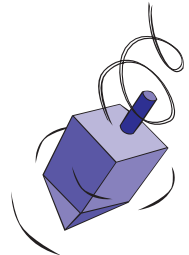


*Authentic Jewish music,
Israeli circle dance,
Yiddish swing, waltz or lullaby.
If you can't sing it or dance to it,
they don't play it.*

*Don't know the dances or too embarrassed to try to learn?
Klezmer Fusion will lead and teach you Israeli circle and
line dances, many of them basic and easy to follow.*



**Sunday December 5
Temple Emanuel
12:30pm - 2:30pm**



*All UJS students and staff are FREE of charge
\$4.00 admission for others*

Admission Includes:
Kosher Deli lunch
Sofganiot (traditional jelly donuts for Chanukah)
Arts and Craft center
Ann Arbor's "Klezmer Fusion Band" concert
Dance Instruction

**For more information, contact Sari@jfgr
or call the Federation office at 942-5553**



To find out more about Olga go to www.jewishfederations.org/annualcampaign

Finding a future in Israel



GROWING UP IN BELARUS with few Jewish community resources, Olga Baskin was typical of many young Jews living in the former Soviet Union: looking for a meaningful Jewish identity, but finding little to inspire her.

Sadly, lack of inspiration wasn't her only concern. When Olga was five years old her friend came over with an announcement. "She said that **she didn't want to play with me, because she heard I was Jewish.** I started to cry. 'I am not Jewish,' I said, 'I'm a good girl!'"

Though Olga eventually studied medicine and became a doctor, "I wasn't successful in my private life," she says. "**As a Jewish girl I wanted to marry a Jewish guy.**" That's when she found out about a program that seemed tailor-made for her.

The Jewish Agency MASA program helps young Jews from around the world spend a semester studying or working in Israel. The program strengthened Olga's enthusiasm for Israel. It also provided a community of Jewish friends and colleagues.

When the program ended, Olga says, she could have returned to Belarus. "But after nine months of living with Jewish friends and Jewish holidays," she says, "**I realized my soul was in Israel and I was going to make *aliyah*.**"



It wasn't a question of whether i would make *aliyah*," says Olga Baskin from Belarus. "It was a question of when. I was afraid to take this step."



Olga and 21 other doctors spent nine months together living in Be'ersheva. "We were like a family." All but two ultimately made *aliyah*.

<p>\$550 Pairs a new <i>oleh</i> with a veteran immigrant to allow for a smooth transition into Israeli society.</p>	<p>\$2,275 Pays for a scholarship that enables one young adult to spend a semester studying in Israel</p>	<p>\$5,000 Covers the cost of an absorption center for one immigrant.</p>
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FACT of the week

United Jewish Communities

Haiti – As part of JDC's efforts to help rebuild Haiti, a rehabilitation center at the State University Hospital of Haiti was renovated and staff trained to provide quality long-term care and prosthesis for amputees and others severely injured, utilizing Israeli expertise from Magen David Adom and the Rehabilitation Center at the Chaim Sheba Medical Center.

The earthquake that devastated Haiti on January 12th caused massive destruction to buildings, homes, and worst of all, to the country's people. Oscar, an aspiring professional soccer player and technology guru, survived the natural disaster but sacrificed one of his legs to the weight of a pillar that had him pinned for hours. After the amputation surgery, Oscar felt distraught, fearing he would never walk again. Luckily, a friend referred him to Haiti's University Hospital, where top Israeli medical professionals from JDC field partner Magen David Adom (MDA)/Tel HaShomer Hospital fit him for a state-of-the-art prosthesis. Through rigorous physical rehabilitation which he met with sheer determination, Oscar moved from two crutches to one crutch to walking independently. "The idea that there were people who were going to take care of me—to get me a prosthetic and help me walk on my own—allowed me to dream again," he said.

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OUR MISSION
Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids supports cultural, social and financial needs of Jews locally, in the State of Israel, and around the world.
This mission is accomplished by providing services to the community and through fundraising and allocation efforts.

Making the Most of your Campaign 2010 Dollars Young Leadership Challenge Grant

If you are 40 years of age or younger, any new gift or increase over last year's gift will be matched dollar for dollar, up to \$5,000, thanks to the generosity of the Hurwitz and Thodey families through the Hy and Greta Berkowitz Foundation.

The Louis and Helen Padnos Foundation Challenge Grant

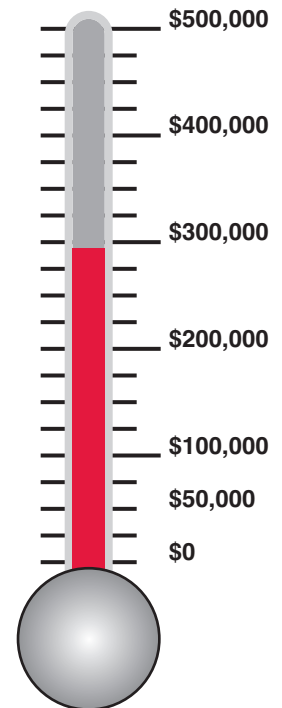
Any new gift and any increase up to \$2,500 to last year's gift will be matched, dollar for dollar, up to \$20,000, thanks to the generosity of the Padnos Foundation.

Please help us meet our goals and raise this additional \$25,000 in challenge grants.

The Jewish Federation now accepts Discover credit card along with Master Card and Visa

Please make your gift today!

Campaign Donations as of November 23, 2010 \$290,000



2010 TAX ADVANTAGE

Please make sure your gift reaches JFGR in time to qualify as a 2010 tax deductible gift. To qualify, payments must be postmarked no later than 12/31/2010 or brought into our office by NOON on Thursday December 30, 2010. Thank you for your support!



ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

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Please cut out this pledge card, fill it in and send it to the Federation office.

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SENIOR PROGRAMMING ♦ ♦ ♦

~ Save the Dates ~

Upcoming Lunch Bunch Date:

Monday, January 10, 2011

Location to be announced



Community Chanukah Party

Temple Emanuel

Sunday, December 5

12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Klezmer Band and Deli Lunch

Rides available for Seniors

Call Ann at 942-5553

LUNCH BUNCH!

**Thursday,
December 16**

11:30 a.m. at

MACARONI GRILLE

(Serving Italian Mediterranean Cuisine)

5525 28th Street, SE
(near the Meijer parking lot)

Cost: \$8.00

Please RSVP by **Thursday, December 9**
to Ann at **942-5553**

Ways your donation to JFCR helps locally.

Case

A few months ago an elderly member of the Jewish community was in need of help in the hiring of contractors to modify her residence to accommodate changing physical needs. Some of her needs included grab bars in the bathroom, organization for safety reasons, and installation of a medical alert system, to name a few. This individual was recovering from health issues and was drained both physically and emotionally. She has family, but they live at least 2 hours away and have busy lives filled with careers and/or young families to raise. Their busy lifestyles made it additionally difficult for this individual to ask them for help ... she did not want to become a burden. That is when she contacted Ann. Ann immediately met with this individual and first helped by identifying the necessary changes required to make this person's home safe. Ann then acted as a mediator between contractors and this individual, providing piece-of-mind during the process. Lastly, Ann kept out-of-town family members informed of the options, costs, progress, and other details via phone calls and emails.

Case

Thanks to some concerned members of the community, Ann was connected to a member of our community who was experiencing difficulties working with two other agencies. There were problems resulting from the two agencies involved with this individual, in that they were not communicating with each other. Ann was able to talk with the member and help identify what needs were being overlooked, (e.g. hearing, dental care, transportation to appointments, home care services etc). Many of the needed services were available, however, some paperwork had been overlooked and there was confusion between the two agencies causing our community member to remain in need of help. Ann stepped in, quickly discovered the issues, made phone calls, listed the local resources available, coordinated the agencies for the necessary paperwork and helped this individual to receive all of the needed assistance.

COMMUNITY NEWS . . .

Campaign Event October 28 with Jeff Jacoby



Shir Shalom Chanukah Concert



Celebrating Chanukah in Grand Rapids is a festive event. We hope that you will join our Jewish community chorus, Shir Shalom, when the musical group will present its annual Chanukah concert at Schulers Book and Music store on 28th Street. Do plan on being at Schulers on Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM December 7th to be a part of the celebration.

HADASSAH BOOK CLUB

Thank you to Karen Haight for hosting the October meeting and to Flory Silverstein for being a wonderful facilitator.

The next book club meeting is:
December 8, 2010, 7:15 pm

at Sue Remes' home
3403 Burton Ridge Rd. SE
RSVP (a must): 949-3505



Book to read: *Little Bee* by Chris Cleave

February meeting:

February 9, 2011, 7:15 pm

Book: *The Help*
by Kathryn Stockett

We are your Faithful Book Ends . . .
Flory Silverstein – 949-5766
& Sue Remes – 949-3505



BLOOD DRIVE

NOT ALL HEROES WEAR CAPES

Sunday,
December 12

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

ON THE BLOOD BUS
Temple Emanuel

1715 E. Fulton

Appointment Preferred

Call Ann Berman 942-5553



*Jewish Cultural Council
Invites you*

CHICKENFAT KLEZMER ORCHESTRA

Chicago based Klezmer group

Co-sponsored by The Grand River Folk Arts Society



Saturday, January 22, 2011 • 8:00 p.m.

Temple Emanuel

1715 East Fulton

ChickenFat Klezmer Orchestra formed at the Old Town School of folk music in Chicago, and plays various klezmer styles influenced by vaudeville, Roma, Greek, Romanian, Turkish and Bulgarian music.

Dessert reception to follow.

Individual Tickets \$12 / Students \$5

Free Child Care Available – Advance Registration Requested

JEWISH THEATRE BOARD MEMBERS HARD AT WORK



*back row: Mary O'Conner, Sue Kopperl, Sylvia Herman, Diane Hammerman
front row: Sue Remes, Len Robinson (president),
Diana Michaels, Kathy VanWesep.*

Photo by Judy Subar

*Not present for photo are JTGR board members
Sheila Frank, Janelle Mahlman,
Karen Sigal, Rachel Deaner - Director*

The Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids Maimonides Society invites the entire community



ISRAEL'S RESPONSE AND RESCUE TO THE HAITIAN EARTHQUAKE

*Guest Speaker: Ambassador Danny Biran
Israel Chief Administrator for Haitian Rescue*

Sunday, December 12 - 6:30 pm

Congregation Ahavas Israel

Free admission

Danny Biran has been serving as Ambassador, Administrative Affairs, at the Consulate of Israel in New York since August 2008. He is responsible for Human Resources and Administrative Affairs for all Israel's embassies and consulates in the United States, Canada, Central and South America.

Prior to his present appointment, Ambassador Biran has served in various diplomatic posts at the Israeli embassies in Washington D.C, Athens - Greece, Buenos Aires and Lima-Peru.

In Israel, he filled various posts at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs such as Director of the Situation and Operations Center, Director of Human Resources, responsible for the Ministry's overseas employees.

His special skills on administration issues brought him to the privileged position as one of the top Israel's delegates to participate in Israel's special operations and missions. He was the head of the rescue team after the terrorist attack at the Embassy of Israel in Buenos Aires, key administrator for the erection and function of the field hospital the Israel Defense Forces set up to assist the refugees during the war in Kosovo. He was the government representative to assist the Jewish community in Caracas, Venezuela, following President's Chavez decision to cut relations with Israel. And most recently he was the chief administrator in Haiti where Israel sent immediate aid of army doctors and rescue experts and set up a field hospital to assist the victims of the earthquake.

Ambassador Biran was born in Israel, has served in a special paratroopers unit at the Israeli army and holds a Bachelor's degree on International Affairs.

Global Day of Jewish Education – November 7, 2010



Cultural Council presented

DUO DMITRI

Sunday, November 21, 2010



L-R

Luba Kasyuk, Lanny Thodey, Dimitri Kasyuk

Butterfly Project



The Jewish Federation is partnering with the Grand Rapids Children's Museum in the Butterfly Project. The purpose of this project is to collect 1.5 million hand-made butterflies to memorialize the number of Jewish children killed during the Holocaust.

This will become an exhibit in 2013 in The Holocaust Museum in Houston, TX.

Please check the Children's Museum website for information on requirements and ideas at www.grcm.org or the Holocaust Museum www.hmh.org.

There will be drop off boxes at Ahavas Israel, Chabad House, Temple Emanuel and UJS.

For additional information contact Sari 616-942-5553; Email: sari@jfg.org.

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to a location near you . . .
2011-2012
Jewish
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\$8.00 ea.

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Eileen 949-6444 or Janice 676-8141
for further information.**

YOUNG ADULT DIVISION . . .



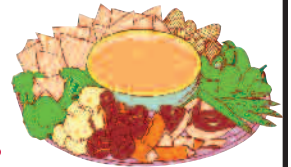
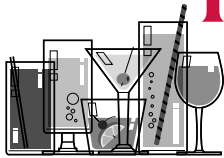
Torah on Tap
Tuesday, November 16



Torah on Tap Returns –

Please RSVP

Tuesday, December 21 • 7 p.m.



Attendance
is **FREE**

Graydon's Crossing Derby Station
2237 Wealthy St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506

New facilitator . . . Rabbi Tzi Muller

Rabbi Tzvi Muller serves as the Educational Director at the Weiss Family Partners in Torah of Metropolitan Detroit and as Senior Research Fellow at the Center for Jewish Values in Jerusalem. The Just Say Know to Judaism! series he offers at the West Bloomfield JCC has become a sensation in the community and has been met with unprecedented enthusiasm and participation.

YOU THINK, THEREFORE I AM: THE MAGIC OF GIVING THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT

So much of the quality of our relationships and the happiness of those around us depend on how we interpret what others say and do. Join us for an entertaining, uplifting and informative discussion as Rabbi Muller explores Judaism's perspective on giving the benefit of the doubt.

Sponsored through a generous grant from the Ravitz Foundation
All welcome – RSVP to jeff@jfg.org



YAD Mah Jongg



Join us at our next game!

For information about the ongoing Mah Jongg games, please contact
Michele Young at 828-4806 or youngml1967@gmail.com

Beginners welcome! No experience necessary.



YOUNG ADULT DIVISION . . . TRIBEFEST 2011

Connect, Explore and Celebrate at TribeFest 2011: Las Vegas

What is it?

TribeFest 2011: Las Vegas is THE event for young Jewish adults.

Over 1,800 young Jews will come together to explore why it matters to be Jewish, how they connect to their Judaism and the larger community, and to have an amazing time. TribeFest will offer inspiring programming, music, food, arts, and entertainment, all celebrating the richness of our Jewish culture and heritage. TribeFest will be THE place for networking, mingling, and finding peers and friends with which to create deep and meaningful connections. TribeFest attendees will engage in hands-on community service and develop a deep understanding of the value of giving back, not just to the community, but to themselves.

What are the details?

TribeFest will run officially from March 6-8, 2011 at The Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas, Nevada, with the likelihood of pre-event. Saturday night programming for those who choose to arrive early.

Registration dates

Registration will begin in early November and will close on February 15, 2011.

What does it cost to attend TribeFest?

Early bird registration (before January 8): \$400 / After January 8: \$475

The registration fee will include:

- FOUR MEALS:
 - Sunday: Dinner
 - Monday: Breakfast
 - Monday: Lunch
 - Tuesday: Breakfast
- Participation in all conference sessions and breakouts
- Participation in the opening and closing plenary
- Conference Materials
- Conference t-shirt
- An amazing evening event
- Participation in a half day service project



Hotel Accommodations:

Single room: \$169 + tax (per room/per night) / Double room: \$169 + tax (per room/per night, not per person)

* There is a \$10 "resort fee" per room, per night

Winter Break Family Fun Day

Chuck E. Cheese

3655 28th Street, S.E.
at Centerpointe Mall

**Monday,
December 20, 2010
11:00 a.m.**

\$5.00 per person (over the age of 2)
Maximum \$20.00 per family

*Includes: Pizza, pop,
and tokens*

RSVP by December 17
Call 942-5553 or
email cathy@jfg.org.



Winter Break Family Fun Day Back by Popular Demand . . .

Naked Plates

Breton Village

1860 Breton Rd. SE (at Burton)

**Wednesday,
December 29, 2010
10:30 a.m.**

\$3.00 per artist covers studio time
*Items to paint will be available for
purchase at \$3.00 and up*

Complimentary refreshments

RSVP by December 27
Call 942-5553 or
email cathy@jfg.org.



Congregation Ahavas Israel

Se'udah Shelisheet

Please join us late each Shabbat afternoon in December at 4:45 p.m. for the Shabbat afternoon service (minha), a light supper, the evening service (ma'ariv), and havdalah. The mood of the third Shabbat meal, reflected in the nusach (liturgical music) of minha as well as the songs we will sing at supper, is quiet and meditative, as the sun begins to set and Shabbat comes to a close. The evening will conclude about 15 minutes following the havdalah time for that week. To sponsor a Seudah for \$36, please contact the synagogue office - all the work will be done for you! We look forward to your presence and participation. As usual, Cantor Stuart and the Religious Life Programming Fund will be providing delightful and interesting food to enjoy!

Ahavas Israel Chanukah dinner, Wednesday, December 8, 6:00

Soup (three kinds!), Latkas, dessert,
and Bingo!

\$10/person, maximum \$36/household.

December 4 -

Cynthia van der Smissen,

A Good Story~"Dreams really do come true & Miracles still happen..."

Cynthia will share her true story of The Dreamer & The Healer and speak about her belief that ~When we are given a diagnosis--we are expected to accept it and when we are given hope--we can expect a miracle.

Chabad House

GAN ISRAEL WINTER CAMP

December 21 & 22

**Call Chayale
for more info @
616-706-8019**

CHABAD HOUSE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN NOW OFFERS A FREE CRASH COURSE IN HEBREW



*Learn to read Hebrew in only
five 1½ hour weekly sessions.*

**Starting December 12, 2010
@ 5 p.m.**

Call Chabad House to register
616-957-0770



Beit Sefer B'yahad/ United Jewish School

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616-459-5976 • Fax: 616-459-6510

Pam Rush - School Director

pam@templemanuelgr.org www.unitedjewishschool.org

Chanukah "KLEZMERIZED"



UJS Chanukah celebration features "**Klezmer Fusion Band**" playing authentic Jewish music, fraylachs and horas, a rousing Israeli circle or line dance, Yiddish swing, waltz or lullaby. If you can't sing it or dance to it, they don't play it.

When: Sunday December 5

Where: Temple Emanuel • Time: 12:30 – 2:30

All UJS students and staff are FREE of charge • \$4.00 admission for others



KOSHER DELI LUNCH

Sofganiot (traditional jelly donuts
for Chanukah)

Arts and Craft center

Ann Arbor's "Klezmer Fusion Band" concert

Dance Instruction

All are welcome to participate. This is a community event.

All UJS students are expected to participate!

UJS Mitzvah Project

UJS is collecting: Winter clothing. Gently used boots, blankets, sweaters etc.

All donations will be made to

In the Image and

Women's Domestic Crisis Center

(no cost to recipients).

Collection bins are at Ahavas Israel and Temple Emanuel.

December

12-5-10	UJS/Community Chanukah celebration
12-12-10	Music with Marc Rossio
12-19-10	No Sunday School – Winter Break
12-22-10	No Midweek – Winter Break
12-26-10	No Sunday School – Winter Break
12-29-10	No Midweek – Winter Break
1-2-11	No Sunday School – Winter Break

What is the Jewish Agency? Here's a Lexicon from A to Z.

by David Breakstone

At the age of 81, it's not easy to orient yourself to new situations, to discover that the young have drifted far from the values you cherish, and that they are oblivious to the difficulties you've encountered over the years and have somehow managed to overcome. Against this background, it's particularly hard to muster the strength necessary to continue struggling for the things that remain important to you, and to do so with the vigor that came so naturally back when.

But a job is a job, and that's what mine is all about. I'm not talking people here, but organization. The Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI) was founded in 1929 and needs to reinvent itself – not to justify its existence, but to do justice to the reason for which it exists.

This week, its international Board of Governors convenes in Jerusalem to confront changing realities that require JAFI to refocus if it is to continue serving as a global Jewish partnership of purpose, ensuring the future of our people with a strong and vibrant Israel at its center. Big words, but I would like to believe not too big for who we are. Which is what? Often asked, I've decided to lay it all out in a lexicon from A to Z.

Aliya – a mainstay of JAFI, which has facilitated the arrival of more than 3,000,000 immigrants. With aliya of rescue largely a mission accomplished, JAFI is now focusing on creating conditions encouraging aliya of choice.

Birthright Israel – has given some 250,000 Jews aged 18-26 the gift of a 10-day Israel journey, profoundly strengthening their bond to the Jewish state, Jewish heritage and the Jewish people. JAFI is a full partner in the undertaking.

Centrality of Israel – this catchphrase of the

Zionist movement also embodies one of the fundamental values guiding JAFI in all it does.

Diaspora – the above notwithstanding, fundamental to the partnership that powers JAFI is esteem for the vitality of Jewish life abroad, and recognition of the need for Jews everywhere to interact in mutually enriching ways.

Education – JAFI invests over \$180,000,000 annually in Jewish Zionist education and is now considering spending considerably more to ensure that future generations will be connected to their heritage, people, and land.

Former Soviet Union – long before the fall of the Iron Curtain, JAFI was actively engaged on behalf of Soviet Jewry, deeply impacting the lives of millions, facilitating their aliya and absorption, teaching them Hebrew, educating them about their heritage and providing sorely needed social services. Things came full circle when former Prisoner of Zion Natan Sharansky was last year elected chairman of the JAFI executive.

Global Jewish partnership – JAFI's heart-beat and the source of its strength.

Hebrew – hundreds of thousands of olim learned to communicate with their neighbors in JAFI-sponsored ulpanim.

Israel – initially the de facto government of a state-in-the-making, JAFI today recognizes its responsibility to dedicate ever-increasing resources to make of that nation an exemplary society, rooted in the vision of the prophets, and characterized by justice and equality.

Jewish Federations of North America – provides 30 percent of JAFI leadership and supplies the lion's share of its budget, part of the \$3 billion it distributes annually for social services and edu-

cation.

Keren Hayesod – provides 20% of JAFI leadership and more than \$43,000,000 each year for JAFI programs, raised in Diaspora Jewish communities outside the United States.

Love – for the Jewish state, the Jewish people, the Jewish heritage, the Jewish land and the Jewish future combine to make JAFI all that it is.

Masa – the JAFI framework for long-term Israel programs operating within the JAFI framework, the kind that produced 56% of the young Jewish leaders in America today according to an Avi Chai study released last month.

Nation-building – JAFI has always been on the forefront of social pioneering, sponsoring a multitude of opportunities for those inclined to make a difference.

Olim – cynics say that Israelis love aliya but could do without the olim; JAFI doesn't think so, and invests heavily to ensure the successful integration of every new arrival.

P2K – Partnership 2000, a global JAFI platform creating living bridges between 550 communities in Israel and around the world, engaging 300,000 people annually in community action.

Quick response – JAFI's sophisticated "situation room" operates 24/7, ensuring immediate action whenever and wherever Jews find themselves in need.

Rescue – JAFI's rescue operations of Jewish communities in distress are the stuff of which legends are made.

Settlement – JAFI is a major partner in the work of the WZO's Settlement Division, nurturing new communities of idealistic pioneers within the Green Line.

Tikkun olam – repairing the world is a fundamental Jewish value, consciously at the root of many JAFI initiatives.

Unity of the Jewish people – a watchword of JAFI it takes most seriously, struggling aggressively for the legitimacy in Israel of the major streams of Judaism.

World Zionist Organization - established by Theodor Herzl in 1897 to create a Jewish state, it founded JAFI in 1929 as a global Jewish partnership to further that goal. The WZO continues to impact profoundly on JAFI today, providing 50% of its leadership and a vital link to Israel's government.

X-generation – JAFI is determined that Jews of the X-generation become its next generation and has launched numerous initiatives to that end.

Youth Futures – an innovative, interventionist JAFI initiative empowering disadvantaged youth from Israel's geographic and socioeconomic periphery.

Zionism – See under love.

The above notwithstanding, there is scarcely an English-speaker in this country who doesn't have a favorite Jewish Agency horror story. Still, it behooves us from time to time to reflect on the achievements of this extraordinary organization and to thank the many volunteers here and abroad who give unstintingly of their time, energy and wealth in pursuit of its aims. It is important to know as well that JAFI's professional management has worked tirelessly over the past few years to streamline the organization, retiring hundreds of its employees and introducing creative measures to increase efficiency.

Now, deliberations begin on implementing a new strategic plan for JAFI, whose mission is "to inspire Jews throughout the world to connect with their people, heritage and land, and empower them to build a thriving Jewish future and a strong Israel."

We should all only keep dreaming.

David Breakstone is a member of the Jewish Agency Executive and vice chairman of the World Zionist Organization.

Courtesy Jewish Agency for Israel.

Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids Endowments

Life cycle times, both happy and sad, are traditional times to make donations to Jewish causes. You can make a donation of \$5 or more to the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids in honor or in memory of members of our community. We then will acknowledge that donation with a card to that individual or family. This is a wonderful way to send your good wishes and be able to fulfill the mitzvah of tzedakah.

Please be sure to indicate what the occasion is and who is to receive the card. Please specify which of the following funds you would like your donation to be credited to:

- **The Woman of Valor Fund** - (\$10 minimum contribution). To honor the women in our lives who have made a difference personally, locally, or nationally.
- **The Federation General Endowment/L'Dor Vador Fund** - To help ensure the continued work of the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids for now and the future.
- **The Julian and Judith Joseph Fund** - To provide for local programming and events through the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids.
- **The David and Susan Samrick Youth Scholarship Fund** - To provide scholarships to Jewish sleep away camps and experiences.
- **The Chuck and Maxine Shapiro Fund** - To help ensure long-term aid to Israel and Jews around the world.
- **The Louis and Louise Weiner Fund** - To help ensure local programming for seniors in the Grand Rapids Jewish Community.
- **The Jerry and Judy Subar Fund** - To help ensure funding for overseas Jewish communities' needs.
- **The Leven Family Fund** - To establish and provide Jewish facilities, and support for cooperative programming among the congregations that support Jewish education for our youth.

*Thank you for supporting the
Grand Rapids Jewish Community*

The Jerry and Judy Subar Endowment Fund

To Jerry and Judy Subar to honor the marriage of Shaindle Freida to Ahron Berson

From Sue Remes

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L'Dor Vador
From Generation to Generation

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WE HAVE THE CAUSE

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The Jewish Federation Live Generously
www.jewishgrandrapids.org

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On the second Tuesday of every month,
families depend on food donations from the
Food Bank at Temple Emanuel.

Drop off food donations between 10 am - 2 pm Monday through Friday at Temple Emanuel
or mail checks payable to Temple Emanuel and specify the donation is for the Food Bank.

Temple's Address: 1715 E. Fulton, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

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