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Keverkamp is Shaw JCC Executive Director

The Shaw JCC begins a new year with a new executive director. Following a nationwide search, the search committee recommended John Keverkamp as executive director. In late November, the Shaw JCC board of trustees and Jewish Community Board of Akron (JCBA) board of directors unanimously approved the decision. As executive director, Keverkamp also becomes a vice president of JCBA. (As head of school for The Lippman School, Sam Chestnut is also a vice president of JCBA.)

Ten years ago, he joined the JCBA as its chief financial officer, continuing in that position when he assumed the role of interim executive director of the Shaw JCC ten months ago. Prior to his work on the Schultz Campus, Keverkamp was director of finance at Hattie Larlham. He earned an MBA from Kent State and bachelor's degree from Lake Erie College.

"Since first stepping as our interim executive director, John has demonstrated superb, well-thought leadership and decision-making skills," says Mark Baer, president of the Shaw JCC board of trustees.

"John took challenging situations and disarmed them... He's resourceful," says Baer. "He calmly and diligently assesses situations, seeks appropriate counsel, and acts decisively.

His role as CFO for JCBA was integral to the campus, albeit more behind the scenes. More JCC members have gotten to know and been impressed by him as the interim executive director, realizing "there's a lot more to John than the guy sitting in the corner crunching numbers," as Baer puts it.



John Keverkamp

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Jewish Family Service

Caring for our Jewish seniors is a value the Jewish Community Board of Akron (JCBA) holds; it's also an area we invest in. To better serve our senior adults (as well as other ages), Jewish Family Service Association of Cleveland (JFSA) acquired Jewish Family Service (JFS) of Akron in August 2018.

With oversight from JFSA, the JFS office in Akron continues to primarily focus on older adults, though Susan Bichsel, president & CEO of JFSA, says they would also like to "build up other types of services."

JFS will still receive allocations from JCBA's Annual Campaign, which will go toward targeted services and programs that lack funding sources. "These are things that enhance quality of life and are Jewish-focused," says Bichsel. "Like assisting someone who needs help to getting to a synagogue for services or holding a Chanukah party for senior adults."

JFS is also working to offer services to Holocaust survivors in Summit County.

"We knew from old records there were survivors in this area," explains Bichsel. "Through working with the Claims Conference and people locally, we determined

there were several dozen. [Thus far,] we have identified 19; we know there are more."

The Claims Conference (Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany) has provided funding to JFS for services for this population (and to find additional survivors). However, campaign dollars "will help fund administration of some of these services—like assessment and meeting with clients (case management)."

Bichsel adds "The definition of survivor has evolved; it now includes people who were forced to flee their homes or who lived in a ghetto. You can have up to \$500,000 in assets and still qualify." If you think you or someone you know might qualify, contact the JFS Akron office at 330-867-3388.

In the spring, JFS plans to add a staff member responsible for Holocaust survivor outreach. They have already added a mental health worker. This year, JFSA will be working with an oversight committee from the JFS board to carefully plan and determine the direction of JFS Akron.

When you make a gift to JCBA's Annual Campaign, you help support Jewish seniors in Akron.

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The people on the Schultz Campus are a key reason Keverkamp enjoys his work here. “It’s such a welcoming community, and I’ve gotten to know so many people,” he says. “I enjoy all the diverse people I work with.”

This comes across in the skill he has shown for helping to build a culture of teamwork on campus. “John has nurtured an extraordinary environment of collaboration among all of the agencies, volunteers, and employees” on the Schultz Campus, notes Baer. “He has the complete trust, respect, and confidence of the Shaw JCC staff. I believe that he will give our leadership and staff members the necessary tools and space for each to flourish.”

Former CEO of the JCBA David Koch shares: “Now also in his role of Vice President of the JCBA, John’s in-depth knowledge of the mission, campus operations, finance and inter-agency collaboration clearly sets him apart...I know that John will work hard to assure that the future of the Schultz Campus for Jewish Life continues to make positive forward strides.”

Keverkamp stresses that as he assesses priorities for the agency and campus, he is doing so collaboratively and mindfully: “I’m working with lay leadership on a good long-term strategy for the agency, as well as working collaboratively with The Lippman School and JCBA.”

Even so, “he understands fully where we’re going, what we’re trying to do,” says Baer.

Show Your Love and Share Your Story!



Show your love for Jewish Akron when you donate a minimum gift of \$36 to JCBA’s 2019 Annual Campaign. We’ll send you a “My Heart Belongs in #JewishAkron” notepad and pen for giving back to your community. This offer is only available online when you donate through the link www.jewishakron.org/my-heart-belongs. Limit one per donation.

We invite you to share your #JewishAkron story and photos on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/jewishakron/. The stories of people like you in our community who have been touched by JCBA’s Annual Campaign offer a glimpse into the impact we have when we work together.

Walk Around Like You Own the Place

TODD POLIKOFF
CEO OF THE JCBA

I've been a *Harvard Business Review* subscriber for over a decade. I love reading the viewpoints and insights of thought leaders and finding ways to integrate them into my non-profit work and career. Some of the concepts do not translate, but a surprising number (i.e. customer service, team management, strategic planning, and supply chain management) have made their way into my lexicon and organizational philosophy.

One of the more impactful exercises that I've gleaned over the years is the act of walking around like you own the place. Now, before anyone accuses me of acting like Bill Lumbergh from the movie *Office Space*, this exercise isn't performed in an effort to become an overbearing manager. “Walking around like you own the place” simply means that one should be interested and invest time in every aspect of the business. If you owned or were primarily responsible for a business, wouldn't you want to know and learn about every internal and external aspect of it? Wouldn't you also want to know how to help the team doing the work be as productive and efficient as possible?

No one person or group owns the Jewish Community Board of Akron (JCBA). To paraphrase a fairly famous speech, we are an organization of the community, by the community, for the community. It's my responsibility, as the CEO, in concert with our terrific professional team, to facilitate the effective operation and administration of the organization in accordance with our bylaws and our Jewish values.

In order to meet the expectations of this charge, it's essential that members of the community lend not only their financial capital but also their human and intellectual capital to the work of the JCBA. The bottom line is that we need you to walk around like you own the place. We need you to explore the phenomenal services and opportunities that exist on the Schultz Campus for Jewish Life. We need you to join a committee or simply make suggestions that will help the JCBA make certain that we can provide services to our Jewish community regardless of where one falls along the spectrum of life, their level of observance, or their family composition.

Over the next several weeks, as I continue to walk around our community, I'll be looking for people who can lend their capital to ensure that the JCBA continues its work of growing and strengthening our Jewish community throughout Akron, Summit County, and around the world.



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Upcoming Events

Jan. 9

Jewish American Writing: Selected Stories through Time

11:15AM - 12:45PM

Every Wednesday through Feb. 13
Schultz Campus for Jewish Life

Explore selections of 350 years of Jewish American writing in this class from the Encountering Jewish Culture through Stories series.

Jan. 12

RCJ Dinner and Ice Bumper Cars

Dinner at 8:00PM at Baxter's

Ice Bumper Cars at 9:30PM at Lock3

Limited availability. Must RSVP to rubbercityjews@gmail.com to reserve your bumper car.

Jan. 13

PJ Library Birthday Party for Trees

3:00PM - 4:30PM

Schultz Campus for Jewish Life

For children and their families. \$5 per child.

Jan. 15

Israel 201: Novy God and the Soviet Union Jewish community

7:00PM - 8:30PM

Schultz Campus for Jewish Life

Shaliach Mor will lead discussion about the holiday "Novy God," the Jewish communities in the Soviet Union, and one of the largest immigration waves to Israel in its history.

Jan. 16

Kindergarten Quandary

6:00PM - 7:30PM

The Lippman School

Please join The Lippman School for an informative discussion, "When Will My Child Be Ready For Kindergarten."

Jan. 20

Shaw JCC's Family FUN Day & Open House

1:00PM - 4:00PM

Shaw JCC Akron

You're Invited to The J's Family Fun Day & Open House! Admission is FREE!

Jan. 26

Shabbat Shalom Bereavement Group

12:15PM - 1:15PM every 4th Saturday
Beth El Congregation

All are welcome, and no RSVP is necessary. Sessions are facilitated by a professional grief counselor in coordination with Jewish Family Service.

Jan. 27

JLI Class Informational Meeting

5:00PM - 7:00PM

Beth El Mercaz

Learn about the Jewish Leadership Initiative (JLI) at this informational meeting and reception.

Jan. 30

RCJ Cards & Crafts

5:00PM - 7:00PM

Lock 15 Brewing Company

Play card games while enjoying beverages and snacks at one of the area's newest craft breweries.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EVENING

*Strolling Dinner
Dessert & Coffee*

Wine Wall

Sign-Up Parties

Chance Auction

Giving Tree

Live Performance

by Angie Haze



SAVE THE DATE for the

FOURTH ANNUAL WINTER BASH

as The Lippman School and
The Mandel Early Childhood Education Center
partner again to grow our future together!

Saturday, January 26, 2019

7:00 - 10:00pm

Schultz Campus for Jewish Life
750 White Pond Drive, Akron, Ohio

<http://www.jewishakron.org/winterbash>

Join friends and
community members
and show your support
for these amazing schools!

We know you will enjoy
the new format this year...
It will still be a fun, casual
event with great food and
fundraising opportunities,
but this year's Winter
Bash will feature live
entertainment!

**For more information:
330.836.0419**

Childcare for ages 4-12 will
be available through the
Shaw JCC. Contact Scott Zorn
at szorn@shawjcc.org for
more information and to
make a reservation.

Community Says Farewell to CEO Koch

Excerpts from remarks by David Koch

It’s been 11 years and 3 months, since Shelley and I returned to Akron from San Antonio, and Irv Sugerman and Ken Regal handed me the keys to the Jewish Community Board and told me in effect not to crash the car.

I am proud of the work that has been accomplished on our campus during my watch – most notably in the areas of finance, campus security and cross- agency collaboration - and there are many who helped make those things happen.



David and Shelley Koch

I’ve been fortunate to have worked directly with very capable and passionate Jewish Community Board presidents, Irv Sugerman, Mark Bober, Joel Goldstein, Debbie Shifrin, Rick Spector, and now Dave Minc.

Financially, our Campus is on much firmer ground today than it was 11 years ago and we owe that to both the professional staff and to a few savvy lay leaders who recognized that budget deficits and long-term Campus debt are simply not a sustainable business model - and then - they worked hard to do something about it.

The professional staffs of each of our agencies work hard - every day - to deliver a quality Campus customer service and program experience. It’s more than just a job for most of them.

And a sincere thank you to the generous donors who believe in and continue to make a financial investment in our agencies and congregations and keep the Akron Jewish community vibrant.

Through all of this and 43 years, I have had one constant in my life – Shelley. Thinking back, had Shelley not supported the moves from Cincinnati to Akron, then on to San Antonio and then our return to Akron, who knows where or what we’d both be doing today. What I do know is, we’d be doing it together.

I’ve said to others, “You do the best you can, accomplish as much as you can and then you move on.”

It’s now time for me to move on, give the keys to someone else and take a long awaited break. My gap year! I wish the Akron Jewish community my best always and to a bright future for us all.



ABOVE: Attendees stood to honor David Koch, outgoing JCBA CEO, at a reception in his honor.

BELOW LEFT: Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro hands Koch a proclamation from the county.

BELOW RIGHT: Akron Mayor Daniel Horrigan recognized Koch’s service.



Among attendees, Susan and Jon Golden (center) listen to speakers.



Emcee Stuart Glauberman



From left-right: Ed Regal Bunny Rose, and Rochelle Stone

CHERYL CARTER BETH EL UNIVERSITY

The End of 'Looking Jewish'

On Sunday, Jan. 6, Beth El hosts an adult education program "The End of 'Looking Jewish': Diversity in Judaism" with Lex Rofeberg. Come at 8:45 a.m. for services. Light breakfast and program is from 9:30-11 a.m.



Lex Rofeberg,
Beth El clergy intern

Rofeberg, clergy intern at Beth El for 2018-2019, is a graduate of Brown University and currently a rabbinical student. He comes to us from Providence, Rhode Island. This is his second trip to Akron to share his talents with many different groups. The Beth El Education Committee is delighted to have him lead a morning of learning with opportunities for participation and interaction by learners in the audience. All interested adult learners are welcome to participate.

Advance reservation requested by Jan. 3; babysitting available by reservation. To RSVP or for information, contact Erin Katz Ford: educator@bethelakron.org or 330-864-2105, ext. 118.

Lex Rofeberg's Clergy Internship and this program are sponsored by the Lippman Kanfer Family Foundation. Cheryl Carter Beth El University is named in honor and memory of a Beth El member who created this exciting Adult Education program a number of years ago.

Study Jewish American Writing in Winter Class

Join the lively discussions of this winter's Encountering Jewish Culture through Stories, Poetry & Art class. In Jewish American Writing: Selected Stories through Time, Esther Hexter, award-winning Jewish educator, will guide seniors and friends in exploring selections of Jewish American Writing over 350 years.

No experience is required, just the desire to learn, and new learners are always welcome. Class will meet six Wednesdays—Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30 and Feb. 6 & 13, from 11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m., on the Schultz Campus for Jewish Life.

The class will use the book *Jewish American Literature: A Norton Anthology*, edited by Jules Chametzky, John Felstiner, Hilene Flanzbaum and Kathryn Hellerstein. Students can purchase or borrow a copy.

The book spans from 1645 to the present, including writing in all genres—fiction, poetry, drama, essays, letters, editorials, journals. Class participants will consider whether Jewish authors writing in America make up a literary tradition and, if so, what defines it among other ideas.

This class and the 2019 series of classes are funded by a grant from the Edward I. Abramson Program Fund, Jewish Community Board of Akron. All previous students have so enjoyed these classes and welcome new students to share the learning. Students and teacher Esther Hexter are so thankful that the class has again been awarded a grant from the Abramson Fund to enable this learning to continue.

A registration fee of \$25 is due by Jan. 4, in cash or check payable to Jewish Community Board of Akron, 750 White Pond Dr., Akron 44320. For more information, contact Esther at eshexter@juno.com or 330-836-0777. Or visit www.jewishakron.org/all-meetings/jewish-american-writing.

Adult Hebrew Class

Temple Israel will be offering Beginner and Intermediate Hebrew Class for Adults this winter.

Wednesdays

January 16 - March 6

6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

\$20 for Temple Israel Members

\$50 for Non-Members

(Make checks payable to Temple Israel)

Call our office to reserve your spot, 330-665-2000



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**Are you an older, Jewish adult,
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needs homemaking services,
transportation to synagogue or light
maintenance around the house?**



The Jewish Family Service of Akron is your gateway to the new Silver J-Ticket program offering homemaking, light maintenance and transportation services for Jewish individuals 62 and better who wish to remain safe in their homes. This program is made possible through a grant provided by the Albert L. and Janet A. Schultz Endowment for Jewish Programming and the Jewish Community Board of Akron allowing older adults to have access to these services at a reduced cost making them more affordable.



Call 330-867-3388 or visit JFSakron.org.

Deadline for Maccabi Games Sign-Up is Jan. 31



January will be the last chance to join the Akron/Youngstown and Team Ohio JCC Maccabi teen delegation as we head to the 2019 JCC Maccabi Games and ArtsFest in Detroit, Michigan, Aug. 4-9, 2019. JCC Maccabi is the largest annual Jewish youth event in the world. The Summer JCC Maccabi/ArtsFest in Detroit expects 1,500 teens from all over the world.

The JCC Maccabi Games is an Olympic-style sporting competition for Jewish teens ages 12- 16; Sports that will be offered include: baseball, basketball, lacrosse, soccer, swimming, table tennis. JCC Maccabi ArtsFest is an arts experience for creative Jewish teens ages 12-17, featuring workshops in a variety of specialties with some of the leading artists in each field. The ArtsFest disciplines that will be offered include: acting, improv, culinary arts, dance, musical theater, rock band, social media, visual arts and vocal music.

Show your Ohio pride and join our delegation. Space is very limited! Program partially funded. Deadline to sign-up is Jan. 31. For more information, contact Scott at szorn@shawjcc.org or 330-835-0052.

JCC to Hold Classes for Moms to Make Shabbat Meaningful

Are you a busy mom interested in a new Shabbat experience? In a six-class series, recharge Shabbat rituals and help cultivate meaning for you and your family. Julie Zorn will teach class on Thursdays, Jan. 17-Feb. 21, at the Shaw JCC. This series will cover food preparation, passing on family traditions and creating your own family rituals. The program culminates with a program family Shabbat dinner created by the participants, held on Feb. 22. Instructor Julie Zorn, MJED, is an award-winning Jewish educator and the director of education and lifelong learning at Chadash Community Hebrew Academy in Canton. For questions contact Julie at jzorn@shawjcc.org or 520-661-7761. This program is partially funded by a grant from the Woman's Endowment Fund of the JCBA. Cost is \$50 Shaw JCC members and \$80 for guests, plus \$20 per family for the Family Shabbat dinner on the last day of the program.



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Make a Contribution

Celebrate or honor a loved one or friend with a contribution to one of the many funds we manage, which support various programs and expenses. See the lists of the funds below.

Tributes are a minimum of \$10

- **Funds at the JCBA**
Call 330-869-2424
- **Funds at JFS**
Call 330-867-3388
- **Funds at the Shaw JCC**
Call 330-867-7850

Angie Haze to perform at Winter Bash on Jan. 26

Eccentric singer-songwriter Angie Haze will perform at the Jan. 26 Winter Bash all the while wearing bells around her ankle, playing a handmade tambourine shoe, drums, a guitar, cowbell, melodica and a kazoo. She's more than just a one-woman band; she's a humanitarian who's driving force is to help the world find solace, value, unity and a safe haven through the power of art. Her music inspires hope and change, and her songs are compelling and authentic with vocal arrangements that will move you to sing and give you goosebumps.



Angie Haze

Angie Haze's live musical performance is just one of the many new features of this year's 4th annual Winter Bash to benefit The Lippman School and the Lisa and Thom Mandel Early Childhood Education Center.

Guests will enjoy a strolling dinner, dessert and coffee bar, wine wall, sign-up parties and chance auction. The evening's format promises fun, fabulous food and fundraising opportunities to ensure the future growth of these two schools located at the Schultz Campus for Jewish Life. Event co-chairs are Nora Glauberman, Jennifer Shkolnik, Rachel Savage and Priya Srinivasan.

General admission tickets are \$40. Patron tickets are \$75 and include drink tickets and a program listing. Sponsorships are also available. For more information, call 330-836-0419 or purchase online at www.jewishakron.org/winterbash. If you cannot attend, please consider making a tax-deductible donation, or wishing well your favorite student, faculty, staff or family member in the program book.

Check-in will start at 6:45 p.m. at the Shaw JCC front desk. Winter Bash will be held in the auditorium from 7 to 10 p.m. Childcare for ages 4-12 will be offered through the Shaw JCC. Contact Scott Zorn at szorn@shawjcc.org for more information and to make a reservation.

College Scholarships Available through JFSA

JFSA of Cleveland awards need-based grants, interest free loans and scholarships to full-time college students in Greater Cleveland (including Summit County). Applications are open, and the deadline for submission is April 10, 2019.

To qualify, you must meet the following criteria:

- Self-identify as Jewish either by ethnicity or practice (except for Berger scholarships).
- You must be a resident of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lorain, Lake, Medina, Summit or Portage County. You are considered a resident if you pay taxes in the county or you are listed as a dependent on taxes of a relative who resides in the county.
- Your family income listed on your 2017 taxes is less than \$150,000 (or \$100,000 if you are applying for the Irving I. Stone Scholarship)
- You must be attending a four year accredited university or college.
- Students attending online schools are not eligible for aid at this time.
- You must attend university/seminary as a full-time student (At least 12 credit hours per semester in undergraduate school or at least 9 credit hours per semester in graduate school).

ALL NEW applicants who qualify will need to interview with the Manager of the College Financial Aid Program.

Students MUST reapply each year to receive assistance, even if they are recipients of renewable JFSA scholarships.

For more information, visit www.jfsa-cleveland.org/cfap/ or call Jessica Rosenblitt at 216.378.3429.



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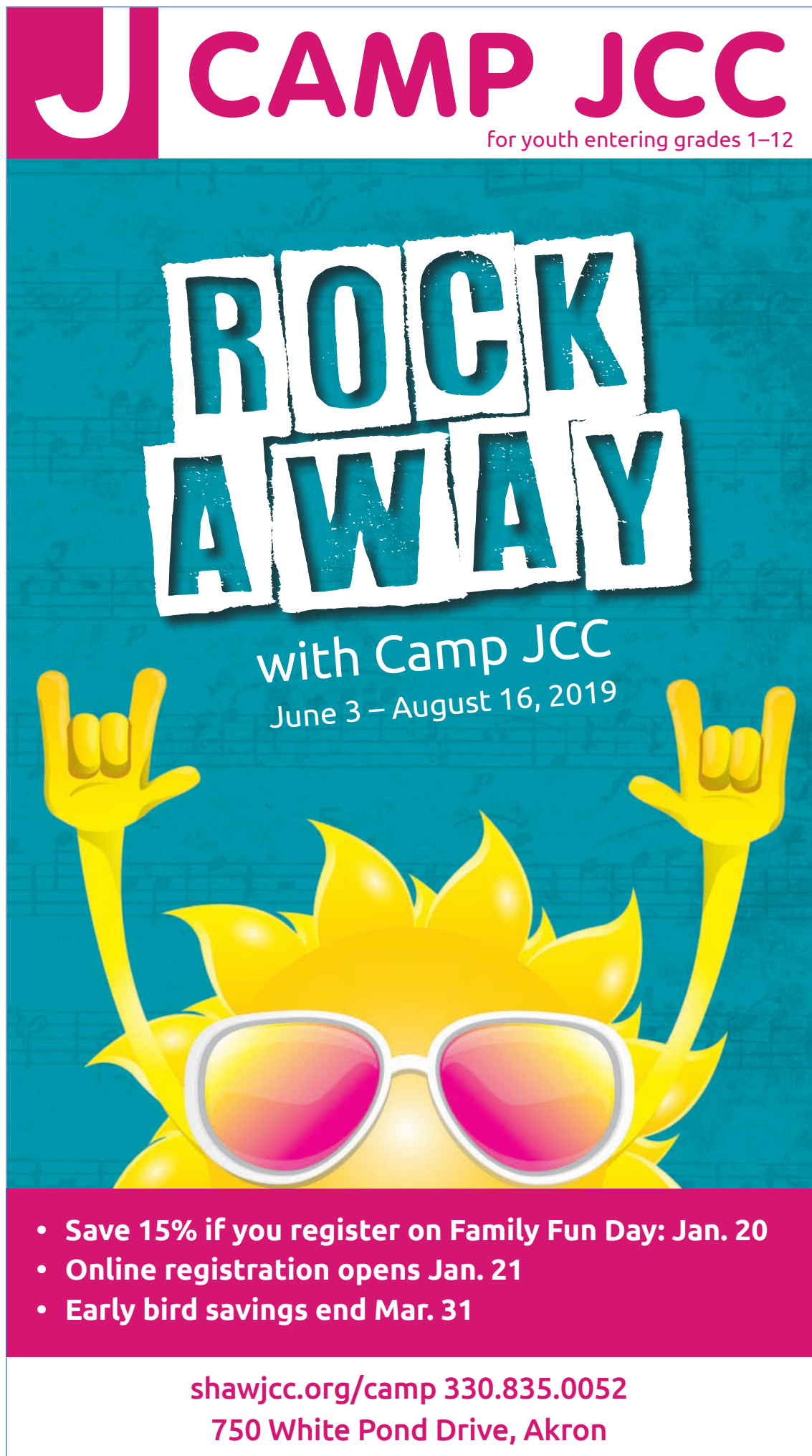


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WORSHIP OPTIONS FOR YOUTH

Mini Minyan at Beth El on Jan. 5

Join Beth El on the first Saturday of every month for a Shabbat service geared towards its youngest congregants and their families. They actively experience Shabbat through songs, stories, and Kiddush. It is full of songs, stories, and movement for families and usually lasts about 45 minutes to an hour. Mini Minyan is led in the “Music Together” style. Older siblings are always welcome, too! Mini Minyan begins around 10:30 a.m. and is open to all at no cost; the next one will be held on Jan. 5

Wee Sing at Temple on Jan. 27

Once a month, Temple Israel hosts Wee Sing for families with children age five and under. Enjoy schmoozing, stories, and songs on Sundays at 10 a.m. It will be held on Jan. 27; Feb. 24; March. 31; and Apr. 28. Bagels and coffee provided.

Beth El Jr. Congregation on Jan. 5

School-age students can attend Jr. Congregation on the first Saturday of every month at Beth El. Parents are welcome to attend the Jr. Congregation Shabbat service or attend the main service. Sarah Greenblatt will lead the service, which begins at 10:15 a.m. and is open to all. The next one will be Jan. 5

Young Family Shabbat on Jan. 18

On Jan. 18, join young families at Beth El for dinner at 5:30 p.m. in the Mercaz followed by a family-friendly service at 6:15 p.m. in the Gross Family Chapel with dessert following. (Vegetarian or vegan options are always available— just let Beth El know.) Grandparents are always invited, too! Dinners are sponsored by the Lippman Kanfer Family Foundation and are always free and open to the public. RSVPs are always appreciated so there is enough food for all.

Shabbat in the Round on Jan. 11

Anshe Sfard hosts Shabbat in the Round once a month on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. It's a young family Shabbat experience through food, fun, friends, and prayer. It will be held on Jan. 11; Feb. 8; March 8; May 10; and June 14. Open to all. RSVP to 330-606-9876 or to office@akronshul.com. Sponsored by the Lippman Kanfer Family Foundation.

Akron BBYO House Party

Sunday, Jan. 27 • 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Enjoy friends, dinner, games and music at Casa de las Zorn. We will end Shabbat with a Havdalah program, and then enjoy a delicious kosher dinner and game night, including karaoke, billiards, music instruments and more! afox@shawjcc.org. Cost: Free with RSVP.

CHANUKAH AT THE MALL

Light Up the Night



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The family of Michael Kushkin gratefully acknowledges the many donations, meals and kindnesses expressed during our time of grief. A special thanks to the Shaw JCC staff and leadership for their support.

Carol Kushkin

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**“If we don't take care of our
future, who will?”**



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From Our Shaliach

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Tu Bi'Shevat – A Holiday for Nature

*“Thus walk the planters
song in the heart, spade in hand
from the city and from the village,
from the valley, from the mountain
on Tu Bishvat, on Tu Bishvat.”*

-Kach Holchim Ha'Shotlim, Tu Bi'shevat song

I was born on 16 Shevat. Even though I don't usually celebrate my birthday on my Hebrew calendar date, the holiday of Tu Bi'Shevat (or 15 Shevat) falls the day before, and I do like to connect my birthday and myself with this holiday and its morals. (If I'm being honest, as a child I always liked the idea of two days to be considered as birthdays, so why not to make it three special days when I can get more presents?! Love this idea!)

Tu Bi'Svehat or in the literal translation from Hebrew – 15 in Shevat, is a Jewish holiday occurring on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat. In 2019, Tu Bi'Shvat begins at sunset on Ja. 21 and ends the evening of Jan. 22). It is also called “Rosh HaShanah La'Ilanot,” which translates to “New Year of the Trees.” You likely know the word “etz” for tree or “etzim” for trees, but “ilan” and “ilanot” are other words for tree and trees, too.

This holiday is a festival to honor nature, its goods,, and beauty. It is very common to eat dried fruits, salads, and any other dishes with mainly fruits and vegetables. In addition, some people do what we call “Tu Bi'Shevat Seder,” which is a festive meal usually featuring dishes mainly from fruits, vegetables and nuts, wine and prayers. This “Seder” meal is somewhat like the Passover Seder (Seder Pessach) in that there's a meal, a story read, and blessings and prayers.

In Israel, this holiday is mostly celebrated as a festival for nature. Most of the people hike, plant trees, or celebrate at ecological awareness events. The winter in Israel is not as cold as the winter over here in Ohio. Usually, there are some rainy days, and the temperature doesn't drop very low, except in Jerusalem and the high mountains. In fact, the only place it snows regularly is Mount Hermon in the most northern point of Israel. In addition, most of the trees in Israel are evergreen, so at the end of January, you can see some green. Sometimes in the northern part of the Negev desert, you can find very beautiful blossoms and a festival called “Darom Adom” (Red South).



ABOVE: Mor and friends enjoying desert blooms during Tu Bi'Shevat in Israel.

LEFT: Red flowers bloom in part of the Negev from mid-January to late February, and a festival called Darom Adom (Red South) occurs during their blossoming season.

Besides all the tasty, plant-based foods and the festival to honor nature, Tu Bi'shevat symbolizes the idea of renewal. The blossoming flowers and nature starting to rouse from the cold winter symbolize the reestablishment of the state of Israel and the Jewish community in the land. People find it important not only to thank nature, but also the workers who work it — the farmers, nature reserve workers, and in the past the “Chalutzim,” (“pioneers” in Hebrew). The Chalutzim are the people who came from all around the world to build a country together, to work its lands and make it home again: some from peaceful lands, some escaping wars, some with money and family, and some with only with themselves to build a country together, to work its lands, and make it home again.

When I was a child, I studied in an ecological elementary school called “Afek.” Most of my school projects were involved studying and restoring nature in the areas near my city, Rosh Ha'Ayin. I got to create routes in the forest near my city, study the animals who live next to the “Raba” river, and eat the fruits I grew in the school gardens. Most importantly, I learned to appreciate the work of nature and the work of the people who care for it — the work of people who make nature part of their home.

Israel 201

Join Shaliach Mor Roffe for these FREE programs on the Schultz Campus of Jewish Life. Israel 201 is designed to foster a deeper understanding and perspective of Israel.

Novy God

From the Soviet Union to Israel: A discussion about the Jewish communities under communist rule in the Soviet Union, their cultural differences, and the difficulties to immigrate to Israel.

Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 7 p.m.

Politics and Dilemmas

In February we celebrate the birthday of the Israeli parliament - the Knesset. This is a good time to talk about how the Israeli political system works and discuss the dilemmas that exist in the Israeli society.

Tuesday, Feb. 5 at 7 p.m.

Grief Support Group Led by Counselor Starts Jan. 26

On the last Shabbat of the month, beginning on Jan. 26, there will be an open grief support group held at Beth El. All are welcome, and no RSVP is necessary. Sessions are facilitated by a professional grief counselor in coordination with Jewish Family Service. The funding for this program is made possible through a grant from the Edward I Abramson JCBA Programing Fund. The group will meet from 12:15-1:15 p.m. following the extended Kiddush after services.

RSVP for New Torah Class

Challenge your mind as you explore new concepts through the lens of Judaism in a new Torah class through the Jewish Learning Institute. It will be led by Rabbi Shmuli Friedman. The six-class series will be held Mondays, Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28 and Feb. 4, 11 at 7:30 p.m. The first session (Jan.7) will be hosted by Miri and Paul Kogan. Hosting opportunities are available. RSVP Required. For more information: office@akronshul.com or 330-606-9876. *This class is dedicated in loving memory of Rabbi Mendy Sasonkin.*



Save the Date

Community Shabbat Dinner at Anshe Sfard

March 1, 2019

Sponsored by Shaw JCC, Anshe Sfard, Beth El Congregation and Temple Israel

Local Synagogue Schedules

ANSHE SFARD SYNAGOGUE

646 N. Revere Road, Akron
330-867-7292
www.akronshul.com
Rabbi Moshe Sasonkin

Shacharit
Sunday, 8 a.m.
New! Everyday: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.
Shabbat, 9 a.m.

Mincha & Maariv
Sunday - Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, sunset

Torah Studies with Rabbi Sasonkin
Tuesday at 8 p.m.; for men and women

BETH EL CONGREGATION

750 White Pond Drive, Akron
330-864-2105
www.bethelakron.com
Rabbi Elyssa Austerklein
Hazzan Matt Austerklein

Friday Night Services, 2nd Friday of the month at 7 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Services, 9:15 a.m.

Shacharit: Wednesdays and Fridays, 7:30 a.m. and Sundays, 8:45 a.m. Additional weekday minyans by request, either 7:30 a.m. or 7:30 p.m. Please send requests to the rabbi.

TEMPLE BETH SHALOM

50 Division Street, Hudson
330-656-1800
info@tbshudson.org
Rabbi Michael Ross

Friday Night Services
Held twice a month at 7:45 p.m., normally on the second and fourth Fridays of the month

TEMPLE ISRAEL

91 Springside Drive, Akron
330-665-2000
www.templeisraelakron.org
Rabbi Josh Brown
Cantor Kathy Fromson

Friday Night Services: 6:15 pm
Torah Study: Saturdays at 9:00 am
Saturday Morning Services: 10:30 am



January 4th at 6:15 pm

Join us for Shabbat with guitarist Chuck Fink



Candle Lighting Times

It is considered a great mitzvah and responsibility to honor the Sabbath by lighting candles 18 minutes before sunset on Friday evening.

Friday, Jan. 4	4:53 pm
Friday, Jan. 11	5:00 pm
Friday, Jan. 18	5:08 pm
Friday, Jan. 25	5:16 pm
Friday, Feb. 1	5:25 pm

Rubber City Jews Rundown

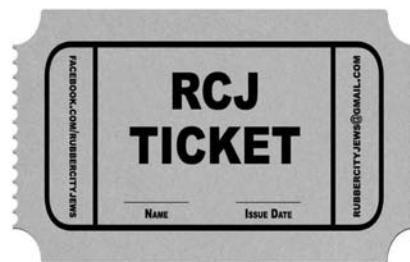


RACHEL OSHEROW
RCJ PROGRAM DIRECTOR

RCJ members enjoyed a fun-filled Chanukah season, attending Beth El, Revere Road, and Temple Israel celebrations as well as the official RCJ Chanukah party. Over 30 people gathered to light the menorah, play dreidel and other games, and enjoy delicious homemade latkes with over a dozen toppings.

RCJ members also joined together with the Young Professionals of Akron at their annual Holiday Party, which benefited Big Brothers, Big Sisters. Participants raised over \$1,000 for families in need to enjoy holiday gifts. RCJ also co-sponsored the first-ever Winter Jubilee, a holiday celebration for young Jewish professionals of Cleveland and Akron, hosted by Fairmount Young Professionals and several other organizations.

To kick off 2019, RCJ will host a Shabbat dinner with special guest Lex Rofeberg, Beth El's Rabbinic intern. On Jan. 12, we will meet for dinner at Baxter's, then head over to Lock 3 to ride their new bumper cars...on ice! RSVP to rubbercityjews@gmail.com to reserve your spot today! Not a fan of the cold? Just come for dinner! Then join us on Jan. 30 for "Cards and Crafts." Play card games while enjoying beverages and snacks at one of the area's newest craft breweries, Lock 15 Brewing Company. As always, check our Facebook page for updated news and events!



Enjoy all of these activities and more with the RCJ-Ticket! For just \$18 per year, attend RCJ programs and receive discounts to many other events in the Jewish community. Purchase any time, at any RCJ event or online at www.JewishAkron.org/RCJ-Ticket.

RCJ works in partnership with and in support of the Jewish Community Board of Akron, the Sands-Rogovy Fund, and the Albert L. and Janet A. Schultz Endowment Fund for Jewish Programming.



Know Someone New to Jewish Akron?

Let Community Concierge Cathy Baer Know!

As Akron Jewish Community Concierge, she can help newcomers take advantage of the Passport program, which offers free membership to a synagogue and the Shaw JCC for one year. In addition, she can assist with job and house searches, options for Jewish community life, and more!

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concierge@jewishakron.org

Making a Stock Donation to the JCBA?

Thank you for your generosity! But did you know that your brokerage company doesn't always tell us who you are? So it is important for you to call or email us to let us know if you are transferring stock to the JCBA. That way, we will know who the gift comes from, what stock you are gifting, and how your gift should be applied. **Contact Julie Katz at 330-835-0005 or julie_katz@jewishakron.org.**



JEWISH Leadership INITIATIVE

SPRING SESSION

Informational Meeting

SUNDAY, JAN. 27 | 5-6:30 PM

Schultz Campus for Jewish Life, 750 White Pond Drive

Connect with others. Make an impact on your community. Develop professionally. The Jewish Leadership Initiative is a no-cost leadership program for adults under age 45 in the Akron community who live in a Jewish household.

- **Featured Speaker Joe Kanfer,** Chairman and Venturer of GOJO Industries
- **Past JLI graduates** will share their experiences in the program
- **Appetizers and drinks** provided
- **Babysitting** at no charge. Babysitting drop-off from 4:30-5 pm; program starts promptly at 5 pm.
- **Must RSVP** by Jan. 21 to jli@jewishakron.org or 330-835-0005

JLI sessions will be held in the late afternoon on Sundays at various Jewish Agencies on March 3, March 17, April 7, April 21, May 5 and May 19. Graduation will be June 5 at 7 p.m. at the All Jewish Agency Annual Meeting.



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Senior Adult Programs at the Shaw JCC

Bridge

Mondays **11 a.m. – 2 p.m.**
Fridays **10:30 a.m.– 1 p.m.**
No matter what level of play, join us for bridge. No instruction is provided. No RSVP needed. Coffee and desserts served. \$1 donation suggested.

Retired Men’s group

2nd & 4th Tuesdays **9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**
Jan. 8 & 22
Join the Retired Men’s Group for open discussion. No RSVP needed. Coffee will be served. \$1 donation suggested.

Lunch Bunch

2nd Tuesdays **11:30 a.m.**
Once a month come and join us as we eat at different locally owned, Akron-area restaurants. PLEASE RSVP* at least one day in advance. Meet at the restaurant at 11:30 on your own.
Jan. 8: Rizzi’s, 2809 Copley Rd.

Monthly Health Talks

3rd Tuesdays **10:45 a.m.**
Jan. 15, Feb. 19
Once-a-month, local healthcare professionals will provide information on a variety of subjects. Great information and a healthy snack will be served. Programs to be announced.

Movie Matinee

3rd Wednesdays **12:30 p.m.**
We've moved! Enjoy a movie on the big screen at Center Towers— plus free popcorn. Closed captions provided. FREE.

Jan. 16: Victoria & Abdul
Oscar-winner Judi Dench stars as Queen Victoria in this incredible true story of the unlikely friendship between the renowned British monarch and a young Indian clerk. Despite objections from the Queen’s family and advisors, Abdul Karim becomes one of the Queen’s most trusted attendants. Their close friendship offers the Queen a fresh perspective on the world after more than 50 years on the throne.

Mah Jongg

Thursdays **1–4 p.m.**
Whether you know how to play, or want to learn, there will be an opportunity! No RSVP needed. FREE!

Pots & Pans Cooking Class

3rd Thursdays **1:30 p.m.**
Learn seasonal recipes and techniques in this hands-on, fun class. No experience necessary! Cost: \$10 for members and \$12 per guest. 3rd Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

Jan. 17: Sweet and Savory Scones

Art Fridays:
Painting with Melissa

Jan. 11 **10:30 a.m.**
Melissa will guide us in creating our own masterpieces. Please RSVP to Julie LeFever at jlefever@shawjcc.org by Jan. 9 to ensure we have enough supplies. Cost: \$10

* Please RSVP to Julie LeFever , Adults Program Coordinator, at jlefever@shawjcc.org or 330-835-0027. Visit www.shawjcc.org for a complete listing of programs.

January Special Events

Maltz Museum & Lunch at Slyman’s

Friday, Jan. 18 **9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.**
Come with us as we explore “Israel: Then & Now,” a first-of-its kind special exhibition makes its world premiere in Cleveland. See the landmarks, learn the history, explore the culture, meet the people – without leaving home. Then it’s off to Slyman’s for delicious, authentic deli food! We will depart The J at 9:30 a.m. and return approximately 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$12 for members and \$14 for guests with lunch on your own.

Afternoon Tea at Center Towers

Wednesday, Jan. 23 **11:30 a.m.**
Finger sandwiches, scones, Madeleines, and a spot of tea! You can even wear your party hat! Sponsored in conjunction with Jewish Family Service. Cost: Free.

Laughter & Breathing Workshop
with Carol Kushkin

Thursday, Jan. 24 **11:15 a.m.**
Our own senior exercise instructor, Carol Kushkin, will lead us in an entertaining and informational class about the power of laughter and the benefit of certain breathing exercises. Free and open to the community.

Sack Lunch & Dessert
at The Winery At Wolfcreek

Friday, Jan. 31 **12:30 p.m.**
Embrace the cold winter in Ohio and enjoy the beautiful winter landscape in the cozy winery. Bring a sack lunch, and we’ll provide dessert and hot cider. Plan to stay the afternoon and enjoy any games you might like to bring along! Meet at the Winery at 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$3.

Holding Sorrow and Joy: 'Yes We Can'

By the Committee for the Annual Gathering of Jewish Mysticism and Kabbalah

On Nov.27, women came together to share, support, and connect with one another in an exploration of holding sorrow and joy as we face this challenging time in our community. We would like to thank all the dear women who joined us and who helped to make this event possible.

To set the stage for the evening, we invited Carol Kushkin, a reiki expert, and Sheryl Aronson, who led an art therapy session to help attendees express their emotions of sorrow and joy before the event.

We would like to express gratitude to our emcee, Leslie Ungar, who led the program with unique flair. Following Leslie's opening remarks, vocalist Rachel Osherow gave a heartfelt performance of "There is Hope" (Yesh Tikva), a modern Jewish song, which set the tone for the evening. Hope is the bridge between sorrow and joy. Debbie Saferstein and Aileen Schonfeld led prayers, followed by a captivating niggun telling the story of the soul coming into the world, played by violinist Joy Regimbal. Representatives from all our partnering organizations, including Janet Minc (Shaw JCC), Lisa Spector (Beth El Sisterhood), Robin

Tobias (Women's Chavurah), Kaila Sasonkin (Chabad of Akron), and Mussie Sasonkin (Chabad of KSU) participated in a candle-lighting ceremony.

Mazal Cohen shared the story of the miracle that occurred 200 years ago on the "original" 19th of Kislev that we have been celebrating these past 21 years in Akron. The story was very fitting for the evening as it depicted energy, a spirit of faith, and the need to move forward despite challenges.

As our keynote speaker, we were honored to have Jennifer Stern from Cleveland who shared her expertise in helping and supporting people in grief through a special presentation on the duality of holding both sorrow and joy in our life experiences.

It was very interesting to hear local speaker Judy Grundfast speak about how she moved through life with joy as a community leader even as she faced her own personal challenges, weaving her experiences together with the song "The Days Come, the Days Go, but Music Stays Forever."

Yocheved Karen Polansky of Cleveland mesmerized the whole room with a passionate dance performance set to two different songs, "Eishet Chayil" and "Breathin'."

We were appreciative of Kaila Sasonkin, who in this tender time, shared with us the everyday duality of juggling both sorrow and joy. While mourning the passing of Rabbi Mendy, she related how all the positive work in our community would bring great joy to the rabbi and that we should strive to continue his mission of inviting others to experience Judaism in a joyful way.

To end our evening, therapist and adviser Chana Sheri Glauberman invited the audience to form small groups and share their own experiences of discovering the silver lining that is present even in hard times. After a lively discussion, many women volunteered to share their own experiences of sorrow and joy with the whole group.

We would like to extend special thanks to Efrat Ohayon for providing us with a delicious dinner and dessert that was enjoyed by all.

Thank you to all the writers who contributed to the booklet. If you would like a copy, contact Mazal Cohen at mazalc770@gmail.com. We are also grateful to our partnering organizations, sponsors, and the planning committee for all their contributions



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Beyond Fiddler:

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in Song

A JOHN LEOPOLD AND
MARTHA DELLHEIM CONCERT

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, AT 3:00 P.M.

Get to know the Jewish people beyond the Broadway
stage and hear songs of Jewish faith, family life, languages,
and holidays, performed by local cantors and cantorial students
from The Jewish Theological Seminary.

The concert is
free
and open to the public.
A reception
will follow.

Enjoy this unique afternoon exploring Jewish culture through music, featuring cantors Nancy Abramson, JTS; Matthew Austerklein, Beth El Congregation (Akron, OH); Bruce Braun, Shaaray Torah (Canton, OH); and students of JTS's H. L. Miller Cantorial School Jacob Agar, Mira Davis, and Eryka Velazquez. Pianist Scott Stein will serve as accompanist.

Akron-Summit County Public Library

Main Library Auditorium, 60 S. High St., Akron, OH

Learn more at
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This program is cosponsored by the John Leopold and Martha Dellheim Endowment Fund and the H. L. Miller Cantorial School and College of Jewish Music of The Jewish Theological Seminary.



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- Sheldon Saferstein from Irene Adler and Shirley Lowy
- Sam Green from Harriet Schneiderman
- Abbe Stein from Shirley Lowy
- Alan Adler from: Bonnie, Phillip, & Randy Cohen; Rabbi Matt & Erin Cohen; Dean & Teri Culp; Sue Delac & Jack Kaufman; Janice & Steve Epstein; Allison Epstein; Collin & Jessica Epstein; Greta & Hal Foster; Sheila & Marty Gottlieb; Larry & Esther Hexter; Ron & Sandi Lederman; Shirley Lowy; The Marks Family (Amy Bash); Jeffrey & Barbara Miller; Cara & Josh Miller; Candy & Keith Mirman; Linda & Michael Osherow; Leona Pollock; Ed & Faye Regal; Larry & Harriet Richman; Marta Roth; Harriet Ruben; Patty, John, Joseph, Katie, & Molly Saks; Harriet Schneiderman; Ed & Marla Schwartz; Mike & Teri Segal; Janet & David Silverman; Zippy & Stan Silverman; Sue & Marty Spector; Mimi Surloff & Family; Dr. Thomas Turner; Steve & Bonnie Wachter; Nancy Jo Walfish; Karen & Michael Weinberger; Lynne Weinberger & Steve Swedler; Hope Winer

In Honor of

- Eden Kaiser’s Bat Mitzvah, from Ed & Marla Schwartz.

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- The birth of Stan & Mary Ann Minster’s great-granddaughter from Herb & Ellen Moss

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- Mary & Leon Rales and Rose Kodish from Ronald & Nancy Berk

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- Jessica Louise Wargo from James & Esta Smarr

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- Rob & Andrea Minster and the birth of their new grandchild from Marv & Judi Shapiro

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- Alan Adler from Jack & Harriet Neiman
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- Lillian Winer from Jack & Harriet Neiman

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In Memory of

- Fran Lieberman from Marvin Gardner

Visiting Our Jewish Cemeteries



The Jewish Community Board of Akron is responsible for maintaining four cemeteries: Sherbondy, South Street, Workman’s Circle and Farband.

South Street and Sherbondy are always locked. Occasionally, someone forgets to lock up after they leave. Workman’s Circle and Farband are open year-round. You may stop at the Shaw JCC front desk and sign out a gate key. Be sure to return the key to the front desk on your way home from the cemetery. Please phone the JCBA at 330-869-2424 if you notice any maintenance issues that should be addressed.

Burial Lots Available

The Jewish Community Board of Akron (JCBA) has lots available at Sherbondy Hill, Workman’s Circle and Farband. The purchase price of each lot is \$950, plus perpetual care at \$500. NOTE: Perpetual care does not include opening and closing a grave, removing excess soil, leveling and seeding the area surrounding the grave after the ground has settled. That responsibility remains with the family. Contact the JCBA at 330-869-2424.

Make a Tribute in Memory

Make a tribute to the Cemetery Fund in memory of a loved one. Contact the JCBA at 330-869-2424.



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