

Finding Strength in a Year of Pain

One year ago, the Schultz Campus ceased all in-person activity and closed its doors to the nearly 20,000 people who engage, learn, and grow through the myriad of Campus programs and services. At this time last year, a veil of uncertainty and panic shrouded the traditionally reliable assumptions about our daily lives. The pandemic is not over, and we all continue to feel its impact and for many, the pain it has caused. Still, while we recognize the unfathomable losses of the last 12 months, we may also take this moment to reflect and take pride in our community's response.

In the face of the pandemic's upheaval, our Jewish community did not cower or fade. Instead, we did what Jewish communities have done for generations; we rallied around our values of Chesed – caring for others, Gimilut Chasidim – acts of loving-kindness, and Or la'Goyim – a light unto nations. We tended to the most vulnerable with food deliveries and home care, lifted spirits with drive-by celebrations and observances, maintained our exceptional education levels rooted in Jewish values, and we prayed together through virtual ritual observances.

The vehicles we traditionally use to carry out our sacred role in society may have changed, but our commitment to who we are – as Jews – remained steadfast. We did not lose sight of our collective responsibility, our duty to take action on behalf of those for whom justice is not blind, and our grip on the power of Tikvah – hope. This resoluteness is due to the unwavering character of the individuals who make up our community. Through your counsel, your philanthropy, and your commitment, you kept our community moving forward. You enabled the community's lay

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LIPPMAN STUDENTS CELEBRATE PURIM WITH GIVING

By Matthew G. Russ | Director of Curriculum & Student Affairs | The Lippman School

How much food does 522 pounds translate to, exactly?

According to the Akron/Canton Food Bank, it provides enough food for 435 meals. This is the amount of food Lippman students, families, and staff collected and donated during Spirit Week as part of a school service project connected to the holiday of Purim.

Additionally, students also donated pillows, blankets, clothes and toiletries to ACCESS: Shelter and Housing. ACCESS, Inc is a grass-roots organization established in 1983 to help single women with children who are faced with hardship and homelessness.

While the drive took place as part of Purim's spirit week, when part of the holiday's observance involves giving to the poor, this is also part of the school's broader curriculum of teaching Jewish and Core Values. The Jewish value Tzedakah, taught every year as part of the program, was the value highlighted for this particular project. Tzedakah, which translates from Hebrew as righteousness or justice, often signifies charity or philanthropy as part of one's moral obligation to help those in need.

"In Judaism, we strive to help others help themselves," said Lippman Core Values teacher Kristin Wilkof. "ACCESS works with women on developing skills for interviewing,

access to safe shelter, food stability, and childcare. In 2020 alone, 59% of established women were able to move into permanent housing. Giving women the basic tools allows them to build confidence in a manner that is sustainable."



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and professional leadership to pivot, do the right things, and then do things right.

As historic as the pandemic's destruction has been, how we successfully and collectively emerge from this time will be even more powerful due to the commitment, dedication, and ethics of the individuals who comprise our community. For this and for everything else that you do and will continue to do, thank you.



Todd S. Polikoff
CEO JCBA

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Chief Executive Officer
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of Akron

LIPPMAN STUDENTS CELEBRATE PURIM WITH GIVING, continued

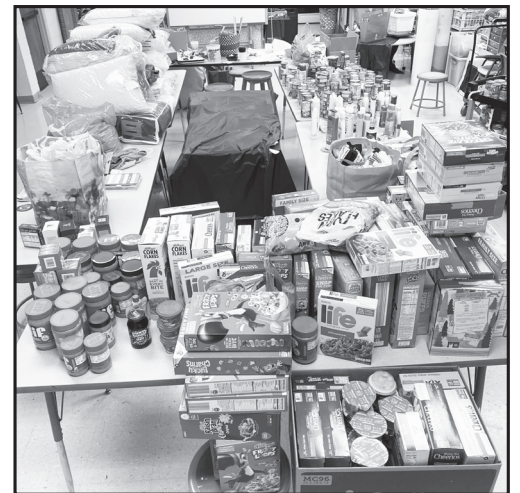
The community response to this drive was significant, as students exited cars each morning during Spirit Week not only carrying their bookbags but bags of canned goods, cereal, toiletries, clothing and other donations. Each day saw more and more donations pour in until boxes and bins overflowed and a new location had to be found to house all the donations.

Lippman teachers were at the center of coordinating the project. Hebrew teacher Sarah Greenblatt and Spanish teacher Miri Kogan initiated the drive and helped to coordinate the collections while Art teacher Katie Markey, Hebrew teacher April Sharrock and Morah Greenblatt organized, boxed and delivered the donations to the Akron/Canton Foodbank and ACCESS.

"We want to encourage people to donate to organizations that help and encourage people to live independently," stated sixth grader Caden Hull.

The student response and participation solidified the teaching of these values in the classroom.

"I think it's amazing to help other people," said first grader Walter Menefee.



"I am glad we were able to help people in our community," stated fifth grader Miles Byron.

"We wanted to give to other people who didn't have any food," stated first grader Hugh Demiray. "And to help those in need because they were having a more difficult time in COVID," echoed first grader Hannah Glauberman.

Hugh summed it up: "We want people to have a long, happy life."

REMEMBER

the Holocaust
Yom HaShoah | Thursday, April 8 at 7 p.m.



GUEST SPEAKER: VLADIMIR ROTH
SECOND GENERATION HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR



My Mother's Diary - Vladimir Roth will share the story of his mother, Eva, and excerpts from her diary between 1940-42 that was recently discovered.

This year's **Yom HaShoah (Holocaust)** commemoration will be a virtual presentation via Zoom and will include a memorial service and candle lighting ceremony. This program is free and open to the public and is supported in part by the Rose and Lawrence Schwartz Holocaust Education Fund. Yartzeit (memorial) candles will be available.



For more information, please visit www.jewishakron.org

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presents

**33rd HOLOCAUST VIRTUAL
COMMEMORATION &
AWARDS CEREMONY**

April 6, 2021 | 6:00 p.m.

Hosted by Akron-Summit County Public Library

**What Does the Holocaust Teach Us
About Opposing Hatred & Cruelty?**

Speakers include:
Eva Unterman, Holocaust Survivor
Dr. Henry Knight, Professor Emeritus of Holocaust and Genocide Studies
Phoebe Unterman, Proud Granddaughter of Eva Unterman
Moderated by Martin H. Belsky, University of Akron Professor of Law

Click to Register for the Ceremony:
<http://bit.ly/holocaustceremony2021>
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
Curated art and writing pieces from the Holocaust Student Collaborative Project will be showcased in a display at Main Library (613 High Street, Akron, OH 44326) from March 23 - April 14. Registration for the event and view this year's curated entries at www.AkronSummitHolocaustEducation.org

Thank you to our sponsors:



AkronSummitHolocaustEducation.org | AkronSummitHolocaustEducation@gmail.com | 234-200-4241

VIRTUAL ISRAEL festival

SAVE THE DATE!
Sunday, April 18

Please visit www.jewishakron.org for more details and schedule of events.



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MORNING SERVICES (SHACHARIT)

Sunday, 8:00am
Monday-Friday, 7:30am

EVENING SERVICES (MINCHA & MA'ARIV)

Sunday-Thursday, 7:30pm
Friday, sunset

SHABBAT SERVICES: 10:00am

VIRTUAL LUNCH & LEARN

Thursdays at noon. Study with Rabbi Moshe about the weekly portion. Lunch must be self-provided :-)

HAVDALAH LIVE!

Saturday, after Shabbat ends. Tune into Facebook for a lively Havdalah service!

BETH EL CONGREGATION

750 White Pond Drive, Akron
330.864.2105 / www.bethelakron.com
Rabbi Elyssa Austerklein
Hazzan Matthew Austerklein

SHABBAT MORNING PRAYERS

10:00am on Facebook Live

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYERS

8:45am on Facebook Live with
Hazzan Matt

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY MINYAN

7:30am on ZOOM

TEMPLE ISRAEL AKRON

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Rabbi Josh Brown
Cantor Kathy Fromson

FRIDAYS

Shabbat at 6:15pm
(streamed online including YouTube and Facebook)

SATURDAY (SHABBAT)

Torah Study at 9:00am (Zoom)

SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

April 2 7:35pm

April 9 7:42pm

April 16 7:50pm

April 23 7:57pm

April 30 8:05pm

TIA Online

Join us every Friday at 6:15 pm for Shabbat Service online



TempleIsraelAkron.org



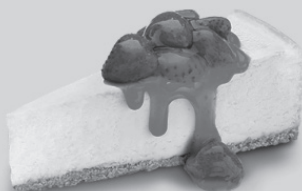
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SHAVUOT

A FAMILY CELEBRATION



LISTEN TO THE 10 COMMANDMENTS
& ENJOY A DAIRY KIDDUSH DINNER

May 17 | 5:00 PM
Anshe Sfard Synagogue



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The J-Ticket is made possible by funds from the Albert L. and Janet A. Schultz Endowment for Jewish Programming and the Jewish Community Board of Akron

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to stay up to date on our
programs and other happenings
around our synagogue.



Text "TIA" to 22828 to
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COMING SOON!
*Our very own
 JCC Soup for
 the Soul
 Cookbook!*

Soup for the Soul April Menu

*Week of April 5
 Broccoli Cheddar*

*Week of April 12
 Lentil Vegetable*

*Week of April 19
 Lemon Chicken with Orzo*

*Week of April 26
 15 Bean*



SOUP FOR THE SOUL

In an effort to keep the Senior Adult population at the JCC connected and involved in the community during the COVID-19 pandemic, we will be providing homemade soup to those requesting the service. For Senior Adult Members, SilverSneakers Members, and any member in need from JFS and the temples.

PICK-UP & DELIVERY

10:30 A.M.-NOON

PICK-UP

ONLY on
 Tuesday at the
 JCC main
 entrance

DELIVERY

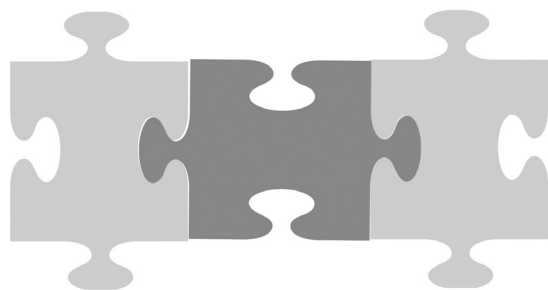
ONLY on
 Friday (provide
 address &
 phone #)

One order per week per household. Place order by:

**Monday, 10 A.M. for Tuesday Pick-Up
 Thursday, 10 A.M. for Friday Delivery**

If requesting a delivery, leave address and phone number

**To order call Julie at 330-835-0027 or
jlefever@shawjcc.org**



JIGSAW PUZZLE LENDING LIBRARY

In addition to books, our Senior Adult Lending Library will now include Jigsaw Puzzles! Please make sure your puzzles are in good shape, AND HAVE ALL THE PIECES!

Please drop off puzzles to Julie LeFever and she will place them on the shelves in our already established Lending Library located in the Main Lobby of the JCC. Pick up a puzzle and keep your mind sharp this winter!



THE RETIRED MEN'S CLUB

**WILL MEET VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY,
 APRIL 13TH AND TUESDAY, APRIL 27TH
 AT 9:30 AM.**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE INCLUDED,
 PLEASE CALL JULIE LEFEVER AT
 330-835-0027.**

**THE RETIRED MEN'S CLUB HAS PLANS TO MEET
 (SOCIALY DISTANCED AND OUTDOORS) IN MAY,
 WEATHER PERMITTING. MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED.**

STAY SAFE. STAY CONNECTED. ZOOM WITH US.



JFS

Jewish Family Service
of Akron, Ohio

APRIL 2021

Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
41st Annual Governor's Holocaust Commemoration Thursday, April 8 4pm. Call JFS for details.		2
6 Music Wellness 1:00-1:45pm	7 Tuning in Together "Laughing for the Health of It" 1:00pm-1:45pm	9
13 Music Wellness 1:00-1:45pm	14	16
20 Music Wellness 1:00-1:45pm	21	23
27 Music Wellness 1:00-1:45pm	28	30 ZOOM MOVIE CLUB "The Dig" 1:00-1:45PM

About Our ZOOM Activities

Music Wellness Enjoy live music, song writing, and relaxation through music. *Funded by a grant from the Edward I. Abramson JCBA Program Fund*

Tuning in Together Explore with us a variety of arts and culture programming.

Movie Club Join us for lively discussion and critique of popular movies.

All our activities are conducted on-line via ZOOM and are FREE to the community. You can participate by video if you have a working email address and a computer or tablet. You can also participate by phone if you do not have a computer. Assistance is available through JFS.

Contact JFS Akron at 330-867-3388 for details.

JFS helps individuals and families with solutions to face life's challenges with confidence.



JFS HELPS SENIORS GO DIGITAL

Jewish Family Service of Akron knows the struggles older adults have had during the pandemic, but none more acutely than being unable to connect with family and friends or participate in online activities through the computer. That's why JFS matches seniors with a volunteer computer coach who teaches them how to use their computer, tablet or smart phone to join the fun and connect. The computer coach provides an in-person introduction to virtual programs available through JFS and other organizations and teaches how to use ZOOM software, through which most online activities are hosted. Face masks and other safety precautions are observed at all times. The initial session lasts an hour and can be followed by telephone sessions with the coach as needed. Appointments are available on a first come, first serve basis. As this is a very popular program, JFS is seeking individuals who would like to serve as a volunteer computer coach to fill the current need. If you would like to serve as a volunteer or if you would like to take advantage of this free service from JFS, call 330.867.3388.

JFS volunteer computer coach Michael Malott teaches Valerie Becker and Bernard Kaminer how to connect to the community.



SATURDAY, APRIL 10 AT 7PM

ZOOM ID 810 0560 9801

Havdallah, Pjs and Pastries

Make your own desserts and share them as we mark Havdallah with Rabbi Brown, Cantor Kathy, and Lauren Trexler.

**We'll light the candles, smell the spices, and taste the grape juice!
And hear a bedtime story told by Rabbi Brown.**

Forum 360 Returning to In-Studio Interviews By Leslie Ungar



The Akron Art Museum has been navigating rough waters with former museum board member and former COO of Mustard Seed Market Jon Fiume (pictured on the left with host Stephanie York) serving as interim director. Host Stephanie York sat down with Jon in one of the first in-studio interviews since

the pandemic started to talk about what the future will look like for the museum moving forward.

Former ABC producer Mark Halperin's career has taken many twists and turns. Now author of a 7-day a week newsletter, Wide World of News, he shared with the Forum 360 audience some lessons on re-branding, using the phone rather than email, and the "producer gene" to always overcome the challenge.

In a recent show, Forum 360 host Mark Welfley took a deep dive into the ghosts of Northeast Ohio featuring Beth Richards, co-author of Haunted Cleveland. Richards told a few ghosts stories and explained how you might detect a few ghosts of your own. Richards, a lifelong Cleveland resident, history buff and researcher, grew up in a haunted house while her book takes readers on a paranormal trip to more than a dozen locations in Cleveland.

Upcoming shows to watch for:

- Stan Hywet- Our Treasure, host Pat Simons
- The Awful Toll of Domestic Violence, host Ardith Keck
- Drum Roll Please, host Mark Welfley
- Metro Parks 100th Anniversary, host Pat Simons
- COVID 19 in Canada and Beyond, with Ardith Keck
- Harvard to Homeless Revisited, with Leslie Ungar
- They Don't Really Want to Be Your Marketing Department, host Leia' Love

Forum 360 is a jewel in the fabric of NE Ohio. Our goal is always to feature people, places, issues and ideas with a global outlook or a local view. Our listeners and viewers are eager to hear their stories. We welcome ideas for topics and guests.

Each Forum 360 show will air:

PBS/Fusion channel 45/49 on Monday at 8:00pm & Saturday at 5:00pm

WONE FM 97.5 on Sunday at 6:00am

WAKR AM 1590 on Sunday at 5:00pm and Monday at 12:30am



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This Passover, help us make it possible to celebrate another kind of freedom. Freedom from a pandemic.

As the coronavirus pandemic continues to rage around the world, there's reason for hope. And no country has offered more hope for what life might be like again than Israel, which has led the world in immunizing its people.

Magen David Adom, Israel's paramedic and Red Cross service, has played a major role in this success. MDA has treated tens of thousands of stricken Israelis, administered Covid tests to more than 4 million, and vaccinated Israel's most vulnerable populations, including all its nursing home residents.

When you support Magen David Adom, your gift has an immediate impact in helping Israelis — today and every day.

Make a gift today. *Pesach kasher v'sameach.*



Saving lives. It's in our blood.

afmda.org/passover



RUBBER CITY JEWS RUNDOWN

SUBMITTED BY RACHEL OSHEROW

Happy Spring! Here's to a season of awakening, growth, and new beginnings. Reflecting on the past year certainly brings up a lot of thoughts and feelings. In regards to RCJ, our group has missed the typical gatherings, hugs, and physically being with the community, but we have been very fortunate to maintain a sense of community through virtual programming. I am particularly grateful that this online platform allows us to stay connected with our members who are no longer in the Akron area, including our friends in Israel. We will continue these virtual programs and welcome the warmer weather with outdoor picnics and hikes. Stay tuned for details on a photo-scavenger hunt coming up in the next few weeks!

Please check our Facebook page or email us for program dates and information.

THE RCJ-TICKET:

Gain unlimited access to an entire year of RCJ programs and collaborative events, and receive exclusive discounts to many other community events. RCJ-Tickets are \$25 per person, or \$50 per couple, and can be purchased online or with cash or check at any RCJ event. For just \$25, attend our regular programs and receive discounts to many community events for a whole year!

Our organization 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.

SAVE THE DATE

**28TH ANNUAL
SHAW JCC OF AKRON
GOLF
OUTING**

**September 20 , 2021
Silver Lake Country Club**

Hello! We are The Shaw JCC of Akron, and we are an official partner of the Commodity Supplemental Food Program, through the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank.

We will be delivering food to White Pond Villa and Center Towers the first Friday of every month from 10:30AM - 11:00AM.



Shaw JCC
Akron

For more information or questions, please contact our Adults Programming Coordinator, Julie LeFever, at 330-835-0027.

**Akron-Summit Council on Holocaust & Genocide Education
Host the Akron-Summit Holocaust Commemoration and
Awards Ceremony**

The Akron-Summit Council on Holocaust & Genocide Education will hold their 33rd annual Akron-Summit Holocaust Commemoration and Awards Ceremony virtually on April 6, 2021 beginning at 6:00 p.m. The ceremony will be hosted by the Akron-Summit County Public Library. This ceremony will commemorate the Holocaust that resulted in the deaths of 6 million Jews and 11 million others, by the Nazi regime and its collaborators and will recognize the students whose work is displayed in the curated show. To register for this virtual event go to AkronSummitHolocaustEducation.org.

This year’s event features a panel of three guest speakers. Eva Unterman, Holocaust Survivor, spent most of her childhood in the Lodz Ghetto and forced labor camps. She and her family were forced to march in the Death March early in 1945. Her family was liberated in May of 1945. Dr. Henry Knight, Professor Emeritus of Holocaust and Genocide Studies and the former Director of the Cohen Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Keene State College, has received many Outstanding Teacher Awards. Phoebe Unterman is the proud granddaughter of Eva Unterman. In 2018 Phoebe was selected to be part of the German-American Fulbright Commission’s Berlin Capital Program for Journalists. The panel will be moderated by University of Akron professor of law, Martin H. Belsky.

The Holocaust Student Collaborative Project, formally the Akron-Summit Holocaust Arts and Writing Contest, will display curated student visual art and writing pieces at the Akron-Summit County Main Library from March 23-April 14. All curated pieces can also be found at AkronSummitHolocaustEducation.org. The following is a list of the students whose work was chosen to be part of curated show.

Miller South School of the Visual and Performing Arts, Instructor, Malia Tschantz
Helen Bryson Megan Kalial
Ayla Gerber Stephen Kraus
Morgan Homoki Mary Manahan
Daniel Hyter Milana Martin
Mabel Jennings Andreas Varner Waltz

The Lippman School, Instructor, Katie Markey
Jason Chestnut Oliver Martin
Isaac Levin Sydney Myers
Brian Lilly Ryleigh Westcott

Mogadore High School, Instructor, Matthew Beresh
Seth Baglia Katie Gardner
Savannah Colebank Tristan Welcome

Copley- Fairlawn Middle School, Instructor, Jennifer Adair
Colton Adair Robin Ingratta
Jaxon Chang Kristopher King
Anna Crooks Nicholas King
Emma Elias Gloria McGrath
Collin Fenderbosch Rainy Martin
Claire Hamilton Elise Owen
Amy Hinderegger Benjamin Rovnak
Joshua Hoover Lucas Tielsen
Ryan Ingersoll



The Lippman School offers a Transitional Kindergarten through Eighth Grade independent school education. It presents small classes, carefully selected teachers, and an accelerated, inquiry- based curriculum.

The school enjoys its reputation for diversity, international perspective, and a robust sense of community. Readied for top-tier high schools and beyond, the students demonstrate learning outcomes with character, competency and purpose. Your child will have the opportunity to hone leadership skills, enjoy academic challenges, develop social awareness, think critically, and learn about cultures and traditions from around the world.



The Lippman School, Instructor, Kristin Wilkof
Brennen Hostler
Isabel Massouh

Our Lady of the Elms School, Instructor, Elaine Fippin
Gabina Amourgis Laura Sarafian
Alexis McNamee Jameson Tan
Magnolia Myers Ella Wilford

The Akron-Summit Council on Holocaust & Genocide Education is supported by the Summit County Executive’s Office, the City of Akron, and donations from the community. To help continue Holocaust awareness and educate the youth in our community, donations can be made at AkronSummitHolocaustEducation.org/donate.

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IN THE ROUND**

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April 16 | May 28 | 5:30 pm

Open to the community.
RSVP requested: 330.867.7292 or office@akronshul.com

Sponsored by the Lippman Kanfer Family Foundation



B"H

**ANSHE SFARD'S OUTDOOR
MOMMY & ME**

THURSDAYS | 10:30 – 11:30 AM

APRIL 8, 22
MAY 6, 13, 20

CRAFTS, SNACKS, MUSIC & MOVEMENT!
LED BY KAILA & MUSSIE | MUSIC BY MISS JUDY

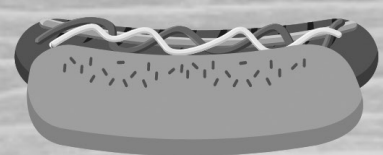
Each family receives their own individual set of snacks / supplies

\$10 per session
Register at akronshul.com/momandme



B"H

**LAG BA'OMER
BBQ**



Thursday, April 29 | 5:30pm | Anshe Sfard

**MINUTE
TO WIN IT
RACES!**

BBQ Dinner | S'mores | Bonfire
Inflatables | Sports
Pony Rides | & more!

(Details subject to change)

**JEWISH PRIDE
PARADE ON WHEELS!**



\$20 Adults
by April 26 (\$25 After)

\$10 Children
by April 26 (\$15 After)

RSVP: akronshul.com/lag or call 330.867.7292



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In Memory of
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Sarah Ash from Mort, Sandy & Scott Emerman
Marilyn Seralson from Sandy & Mort Emerman
Sara Borodkin from Mort, Sandy & Scott Emerman

SOUP FOR THE SOUL
In Memory of
Bob LeFever from Leona Pollock
Bob LeFever from Judi & Marv Shapiro
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Bob LeFever from Mary Ann Minster
Bob LeFever from Arlene Markey
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Howard & Sherie Frum, on the engagement of their grandson, from Eddie & Marla Schwartz

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It is humbling to be the recipient of so many donations, meals and well wishes during my recent illness. The outpouring of support has been a comfort.

Thank you all!
Camille Liberman

MAZEL TOV

Bar Mitzvah of Samuel Madine, Son of Renee Mackey and Patrick Madine



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. Tributes are a minimum of \$10.

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JEWISH AKRON CONNECTION**Facebook Interest Groups**

The Jewish Akron Community has created Facebook Groups in order to connect, share ideas, discover new interests, plan meet-ups, host virtual events, and more!

JOIN

If you are interested in joining any of the below groups, you can:

1. Go to facebook.com/jewishakron/groups and join the group you prefer
2. Search the group name in the Facebook search bar

Facebook Groups**Jewish Akron Connection | Culture Club**

Movies, Theatre, Live Music, and more!

Jewish Akron Connection | Fresh Air Group

Outdoor Activities such as hiking, running, skiing/snowshoeing, and more!

Jewish Akron Connection | Be the Change

RESPECTFUL conversation surrounding community involvement & social justice

Jewish Akron Connection | Parenting Wins

Family-centered conversation among parents of young and school-age children

Jewish Akron Connection | Living Your Best Life (After 55)!

Conversation among community members, particularly those 55 and over

Jewish Akron Connection | Indoor Pursuits

Reading/Book Club, Puzzles, Needlecrafts/Sewing, Cooking/Recipes, and more!

NEW TO THE AKRON JEWISH COMMUNITY OR LOOKING FOR WAYS TO CONNECT TO JEWISH LIFE?

Contact Erin Katz Ford, Community Concierge
330.835.0005 or ekatzford@jewishakron.org

Erin can provide assistance with job and house searches,
options for Jewish community life, and more!



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IN MEMORIAM

Nathan Light, 86, of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, died on 12 March 2021. He was the beloved husband of Candace Light. Cherished father of Shelly and Michael Paolercio, Cheryl and Scott Golant, Mark and Andie Light, Alyse and Doug Storm, and Jared Light. Proud grandfather of Ashley and Joel Belding, Justin and Jessica Paolercio, Jeremy and Samantha Paolercio, Danielle Kling, Madyson Light, Kayla Kling, Myles Light, Matthew Kling, Mason Storm, Trevor Storm, Jacob Light, Max Light, Joseph and Holly Paolercio, and Michael and Elena Paolercio. Adoring great-grandfather of Jadon Paolercio, Beckett Belding, Brody Paolercio, Nina Paolercio, Michael Paolercio Jr., and Benjamin Paolercio. Loving brother of Roberta Hartz. Dear uncle of Lori and Marc Rosenfeld, Tami Hartz, and Steven Hartz. He is also survived by his beloved Akron, Palm Beach Gardens and Detroit extended family, cherished friends and esteemed jewelry industry colleagues and peers.

There will be a Celebration of Life in Akron in May. It is suggested that those who wish to further honor the memory of Nathan Light may do so by making a contribution to: Chabad of Palm Beach Gardens <https://www.jewishgardens.com/>

On Tuesday, February 23, 2021, **Leon Alois Wyant**, passed away peacefully at home. Born in Secovce, Czechoslovakia, May 26, 1930, the son of Isidor and Frida Weinberger, the family came to Akron in 1946 surviving the Holocaust. Lee learned enough English in two years to graduate from West High School in 1949 before attending The Ohio State University where he stayed to get a dental degree. Lee went on to be an officer in the Air Force before coming back to Akron to establish an oral surgery practice in Cuyahoga Falls. As a surgeon he was known for his skill and compassion and his interest in continuing to provide the best care to his patients by being an early adopter of the latest medical innovations. He had a passion for skiing, fishing, and cycling and was known for his ability to connect with anyone with a new joke or an old joke or maybe one of each. Also known for his love and devotion to family, Lee, Dad, Grandpa, Uncle Lee, Doc, Leon is survived by his wife of 64 years Elaine (Katz) Wyant; his children Mark and Neil (Adina Gwartzman) Wyant and Lori (Scott) Soble; and grandchildren Matthew (Jennifer) and Andrew Soble, and Samara and Benjamin Wyant. Lee was predeceased by his brothers Max and Ernest and sister Lily. Contributions can be made in his honor to the FIDF (Friends of Israel Defense Force) at <http://fidf.org/Donate> or sent to Ohio Chapter, Friends of the IDF, 5495 Mayfield Rd. #200, Lyndhurst OH 44124 or to The Life Raft Group at <http://liferaftgroup.org/donate-2/>.

Ronald B. Weintraub was born May 2, 1948 and lived 72 years until March 8, 2021. He attended Schumacher School, Case and Litchfield and was in the Firestone class of 1966.

He was a military policeman in the Air Force from 1968 to 70 serving one year at Phu Cat, Viet Nam. He then resumed going to the University of Akron as a Finance Major with a Bachelor of Science Degree. He worked as a loan officer and vice president at People's Merchants Trust in Canton, Cardinal Savings in downtown Cleveland, Bank One in Akron and for Bober & Markey. Later, he became a real estate investor, owning eleven properties in North Hill on Chalker, Avon and Berwin Streets.

Ron was the oldest child of the late Jack and Betty Weintraub and the brother of David Weintaub and Carmie (Todd) Stein. He leaves behind Carol, who he married in 1971; sons, Seth (Rachel) and Jared; daughter, Renee; grandsons, Jax, Ben and Samuel of Croton-on-Hudson, New York and Doylestown, Ohio; as well as many cousins, nieces and nephews. Just as in the lives of his parents, a 50th Anniversary was so close, but never reached.

Ron was interested in politics, coin collecting and an avid member of the Retired Men's Group at the JCC. We'll always remember drives to NYC and Los Angeles, trips to Paris and Jerusalem and his being "Grandpa Ron". Thanks for the warm and loving care from Akron City (Summa) Hospital- especially the Palliative Care third floor, Bath Manor and Heather Knolls Rehab in Tallmadge, as well as social workers at all these places and the VA.

Donna Yuronka's well-lived life ended on March 17, 2021. She died exactly 34 years after her mother and one week after her 92nd birthday. The isolation of covid hit her especially hard because she was an extrovert extraordinaire. Every profession she chose throughout her life was people-oriented, from realtor to interior designer to teacher. She touched many people's lives with her guidance and stories, and her influence will continue on for years to come.

Donna was predeceased by her husband, John Yuronka; parents Don Clement and Ora Clement; and sister Glenna Harrington. Her memory will be cherished by her children Sarah Yuronka (Brian Feinsilber) and Ann Hollingsworth (Jay); Grandchildren: Hannah and Andrew Walsh and James and Julia Hollingsworth.

Madelyn Raful Wright, of Dover, Delaware, passed away on Monday, March 1st, 2021 at the age of 82. She is survived by her children, Mitchell Howard Raful, Denise Miriam (Patrick) Holechek, and Melinda Francine (Orlando) Wright; sister, Harriet Sue (Barry) NewDelman; and grandchildren, Kyle Alexander Holechek, Brooke Erin Holechek, Briana Olivia Wright, Elisha Jasmine Wright, and Zachary Jordan Wright; and many loving nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was predeceased by her beloved husbands, Earl Raful and Jimmy Wright; brother, Lawrence (Barbara) Goldberg; and parents, Dr. Albert and Anna Mae Goldberg.

Mom was better known as Bubbe' to her grandchildren and children. Bubbe' loved to travel, read, do needlepoint and most importantly she loved her family. She served on many boards throughout her lifetime and most recently was on the board at Congregation Beth Shalom, Congregation Beth Shalom Sisterhood, and Newcomers of Dover. She was a mentor for Connecting Generations, volunteer for the Delaware Breast Cancer Coalition and a Life Member of Hadassah. She was our little Energizer Bunny and will be greatly missed. Contributions in her memory may be sent to the Delaware Breast Cancer Coalition or Osher Life Long Learning.

Gertrude "Gitty" Umansky Kaplan Beloved wife of Dr Irvin Kaplan for 49 years. Devoted mother to Jean (Dr. Elliot Zeaman), Edye (Marc) Slutsky. Dearest Grandmother to Betsy (Dan Menefee), Austin and Justin. Great Grandmother and special Mooney to Blake. Preceded in death by parents Jacob and Bertha Umansky, sisters Rose Leubitz, Faye Brown, Esther Schiffman, Elizabeth Rofsky, Norma Stein, and brother Al Umansky.

Gitty graduated from West High, Art Institute of Pittsburgh, Akron University and Washington University in St Louis. She worked freelance for Polskys, Jacobsons, Oneils, and Birnbaums. Past President of Akron Dental Fraternity AO. Her favorite quote, "Never lose childish enthusiasm and love and luck will come your way". Donations to charity of your choice, Soup for the Soul at the JCC of Akron, and she requests you take a friend to lunch.



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