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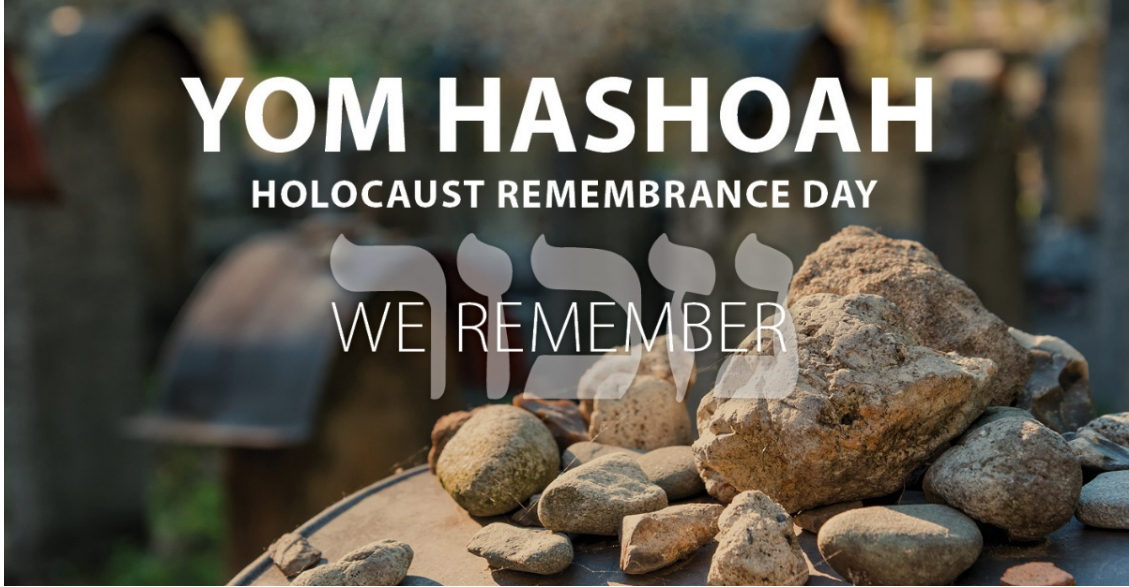
OUR UPCOMING EVENTS

**YOM HASHOAH REMEMBRANCE DAY ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 8TH FROM 5PM-5:45PM**

YOM HASHOAH

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

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WE REMEMBER



Please join us on Thursday, April 8th from 5:00-5:45 PM for a live-stream, virtual Yom HaShoah Commemoration. Clergy and congregants from over seven of our area synagogues in Danbury, Washington, Cheshire, Southbury, New Milford, and Waterbury have participated in candle lighting and prayers.

[JOIN US HERE FOR OUR LIVE STREAM!](#)

Our deep appreciation to the Fay & Max Katz Yom HaShoah Memorial Fund for making our program possible.

**AMMUNITION HILL
SUNDAY, APRIL 11 AT 11AM**

ZOOM CONFERENCE:

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

AMMUNITION HILL

"DADDY, NOW I KNOW"

*Join us as we prepare to observe Israel's Memorial Day (YOM HA'ZIKARON - Apr. 13)
and to celebrate Israel's Independence Day (YOM HA'ATZMAUT - Apr. 15)*

SPEAKERS-

**HADAR LUBIN, CHAIR OF B'NAI ISRAEL'S ISRAEL
ADVOCACY COMMITTEE:**

SIGNIFICANCE OF YOM HA'ZIKARON

RABBI ERIC POLOKOFF, B'NAI ISRAEL:

**FORMATION OF THE MODERN STATE OF
ISRAEL**

DAR NADLER, JEWISH NATIONAL FUND-USA

ISRAEL EMISSARY TO NEW ENGLAND:

**HOW SUSTAINING ISRAEL IS THE "NEW
ZIONISM"**

ALON WALD, HEAD OF OPERATIONS,

AMMUNITION HILL NATIONAL HERITAGE CENTER:

**MAINTAINING AND RESTORING ISRAEL'S
NATIONAL HERITAGE SITES**

This program is presented by
B'nai Israel Southbury, The
Jewish Federation of Western
Connecticut & JNF-USA



To participate and reserve your space, please email Valerie Beckwith,
Temple administrator: office@bnaiisraelsouthbury.org
- after April 9 rabbie@bnaiisraelsouthbury.org
Subject Line: Israel program



FLY WITH US OVER ISRAEL!
SUNDAY, APRIL 18 AT 2:30PM

The Southern New England Consortium—SNEC
& Partnership 2gether with Afula-Gilboa present

Fly With Us **Over Israel!**

Sunday, April 18 | 2:30 pm



Join our Afula Gilboa partnership friends for an aerial flight over Israel with retired Israel Air Force pilot Lieutenant Colonel Alon Moller - in honor of Yom Haatzmaut - Israel's Birthday! Now a professional tour guide, Alon will show us an amazing birdseye view of the land and share the story of Israel through the lens of his family's journey.

[REGISTER HERE!](#)



The Jewish Federation of Western Connecticut would like to announce its participation in the ninth annual, **"Give Local Greater Waterbury & Litchfield Hills Campaign."**

It is an extraordinary fun and inspiring 36-hour online give-a-thon hosted by Connecticut Community Foundation that brings the community together to raise money and awareness for the vital work of a number of local nonprofit organizations, including the Jewish Federation of Western Connecticut. This year's 36-hour campaign starts at 7:00 AM on April 20th and continues to 7:00 pm on April 21st. During that period you will have the chance to support the Jewish Federation of Western Connecticut by making a donation Through the Giving Local link.

Your gift to the Jewish Federation, whether in connection with the give local event or at any other time, allows the Federation to continue its work of addressing the educational, social, spiritual, and physical needs of the Jewish community in Western and Northwestern Connecticut, in Israel and around the world, as well as

responding to the needs of our friends and neighbors of all faiths that reside in our catchment area.

Your gift allows us to offer educational scholarships and campership grants. Your gift helps the Federation supply Passover (and other holidays) baskets to families who have to choose between paying their rent or putting food on the table. Your gift helps seniors benefit from socialization from the programs we present. Not only that but the happiness you will derive from helping others can't be quantified.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Donations must be made online during April 20-21 (A link for donations will be forthcoming)
- All donations are tax-deductible and the donor will instantly receive a receipt for the contribution.

VIRTUAL LOVE&KNISHES WITH AIRBORNE TRIO ON APRIL 22 at 3PM!



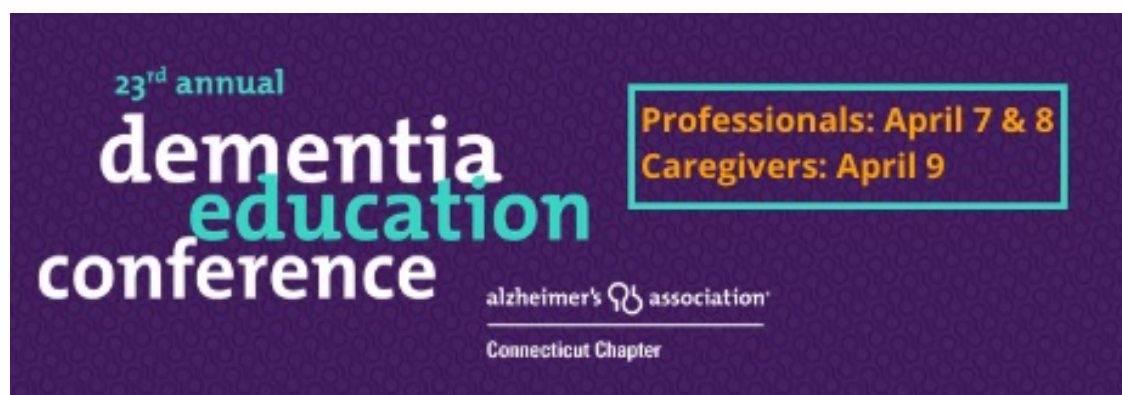
Join us virtually on Thursday, April 22 at 3:00 o'clock. The trio is a multi-cultural jazz group that will take us on a festive journey of music and dance.

Airborne has a trademark sound of Island Passion and

Urban Emotion Music of Yesterday and Today - Variety
of Songs, Styles and Genres Musical Journey to Cities
and Places in the USA and the World - Cultural - Vibrant
- Fun

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COMMUNITY EVENTS



Registration is now open for the 23rd Annual Dementia Education Conference, and this year we are virtual!

The Connecticut Chapter invites you to join on April 7th, 8th & 9th for an interactive and immersive educational experience.

April 7th and 8th are geared toward professionals across the continuum of care, and Continuing Education Credits (CECs) will be available.

The cost for the two-day professional event is \$110.00.

April 9th is for family caregivers and is offered at no cost.

For more information and to register, go to conference2021.givesmart.com.

**SPECIAL SPEAKER SERIES
PRESENTATION, THURSDAY,
APRIL 29 – 4:00 PM**



“WHEN SOUTHBURY SAID NO TO THE NAZIS!” – TWO SHORT FILMS AND A PANEL DISCUSSION.

The premier of these films in Southbury was so overwhelmingly popular, the venue had to be moved to the High School Auditorium, which holds 900 and many were still turned away.

In light of recent events in our country, this presentation is more relevant than ever before. Co-sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Western CT, Temple B’nai Israel Southbury and The Greater Washington Coalition for Jewish Life, these two short films that honor the 75th Anniversary of when Southbury said no to the Nazis will be shown, followed by a panel discussion.

In 2012, a group of Southbury town leaders, including Ed Edelson (First Selectman from 2011 to 2014), Rabbi Eric Polokoff, Temple B’nai Israel Southbury and Reverend Shannon Wall, South Britain Congregational Church, Southbury, commissioned a documentary on this very important moment in Connecticut history. The documentary includes two short films, “*Home of the Brave*” and “*Honoring the Brave*.” The introduction of the films will be given by Rabbi Eric Polokoff and Rev. Shannon Wall (producer).

Following the films, a panel discussion will include Rabbi Eric Polokoff, Reverend Shannon Wall, Ed Edelson, Rabbi James Greene, Greater Washington Coalition for Jewish Life and Gary Jones, Executive Director, Jewish Federation of Western Connecticut.

Home of the Brave: This film was produced to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the people of Southbury peacefully mobilizing to stop the German-

American Bund (a Nazi-inspired organization) from building its largest youth training camp just south of what is now Exit 15 on Interstate 84. Combining original source documents and oral history, the film recites an inspiring story of how the events unfolded, the bravery of the town's leaders and the commitment of this small farming community to say (in today's language) "Hate has no home here!"

Honoring the Brave: This documentary has additional oral history as well as the emotional response of the community.

As a result of the documentary, the story came to the attention of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and is included in the major exhibit, *"Americans and the Holocaust,"* that opened in April 2018. When asked about the story, Museum Curator Rebecca Erbelding said, "that in all their research, Southbury was the only town to stand up against the German-American Bund."

This event is virtual and free. To pre-register and get the Zoom link, email jewishlifect@gmail.com or call Sally Talarico at 860-868-2434.

REGISTER HERE!

LEGACY HERITAGE FUND CAMPERSHIP INCENTIVE PROGRAM

We are delighted to announce Legacy Heritage Fund has established an incentive program at Camp Laurelwood and Ramah Sports Academy for new campers for two summers, starting in summers 2021 and 2022. This incentive program is for campers from smaller Jewish communities, and includes the Western CT Jewish Federation area! The program's goal is to enrich

children's Jewish learning and identity by giving them the opportunity to attend camps with strong Jewish content and programming.

The incentive program provides a \$1500 grant to new campers entering 4th-10th grade for two summers! This is in addition to campership grants provided by the Jewish Federation of Western Connecticut, as well as first-time camper grants, or any other discounts or assistance the camps provide.

For more information, contact the camps directly at **info@camplaurelwood.org** or **info@ramahsport.org**

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IN CHALLENGING TIMES
WE ARE GRANDER TOGETHER**

With the uncertainty in our world it is imperative now more than ever that we join together as a Foundation of strength for each other.

Please consider a donation today. Our Federation may be closed nonetheless we are still working. Working to support our community.



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CURRENT COVID-19 PROTOCOL FOR VISITORS OF THE WALZER FAMILY JEWISH COMMUNITY CAMPUS

While our staff has begun working within the building for a few hours per week, our campus is still not open to the public for larger gatherings. If you are a member or volunteer that needs access to our campus, please call and arrange this with our facility manager, Maria Cruz 203-267-3393.



We can, on a case-by-case basis, accommodate a group of less than five for short-term projects to use spaces in our building that are conducive to social distancing.

As a reminder, persons who enter our building may be asymptomatic for Covid-19. For your safety, and the safety of every other person, you must wear a mask properly at all times. You will be met at the door by our facility manager, Maria Cruz, who will supervise the sign-in process for any signs of illness.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GARY JONES

The Federation's vision is to seek to be the place, both in real and in virtual settings, for thriving Jewish life, community,



and values in the Western and Northwestern parts of the state.

Contact Gary Jones:
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