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UPCOMING EVENTS



Return, Live and In-Person.

With flutist, Barbara Wyton accompanied by pianist

**Dave Childs on Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 1:00 pm.
at the Jewish Federation of Western CT 444 Main St. North
Southbury, CT 06488**



BARBARA WYTON, flutist, is presently the Director of Continuo Music at Home, a music contracting business that offers music lessons in the home throughout Fairfield County. Barbara was a band teacher in the Wilton Public Schools for over 30 years and Director and Founder of the Wilton Conservatory.

DAVE CHILDS, pianist, has been performing for over 30 and has shared the stage with jazz greats such as Jimmy Heath, Lionel Hampton, Bill Watrous and the Nelson Riddle Orchestra.

Dave has been featured on a variety of recordings including three of his own CDs. Dave teaches at Fairfield University and Continuo Music at Home.

Please join us in celebration of Rosh Hashanah and the coming of the new year 5782. Since we can continue to come together safely and consistent with CDC guidelines, the Federation is pleased to offer an opportunity to enjoy a hour of music with safety. We will be offering a musical performance with flutist, Barbara Wyton accompanied by pianist Dave Childs.

At the conclusion of the performance we will be handing out a delicious meal for you to take with you and enjoy in the comfort of your home. The menu is a traditional Rosh Hashanah meal consisting of brisket, carrots, noodle kugel, challah with raisins and honey, and an apple square for dessert.

We hope you will consider being part of this new Love&Knishes Senior Luncheon Program so that we can celebrate the New Year and the opportunity to be in each other's company.

**The cost of this event is \$10.
Please RSVP by Monday, August 30th to
Cathy Conti at cconti@jfed.net**

As a reminder, as per CDC guidelines, all guests must wear a mask. Thank you and we look forward to seeing each and every one of you.

Save The Date

- Sunday, October 17, 2021 at 10 A.M. Virtual Annual Campaign Kick-off Breakfast
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SPEAKER SERIES, SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021 – 10:00 AM



**GREATER WASHINGTON COALITION FOR
JEWISH LIFE**

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**“Finding Our Fathers (and Mothers, too): The Joys
and Pitfalls of Tracing Jewish Ancestors”**

Dan Rothenberg, father of today's Jewish Genealogy Movement, will be speaking on his book, “Finding Our Fathers,” the first English-language guidebook to trace Jewish ancestors. It subsequently launched a global movement that today embraces dozens of organizations, research publications and computer databases...all dedicated to connecting Jews with their long-lost ancestors and relatives.

In Dan's talk, he discusses how he first got into Jewish genealogy as a 16-year-old boy in the cemetery at his Grandmother's funeral. Although Jews long assumed they couldn't trace written 10 more books on many diverse subjects. He has been the Chief Editor of seven publications, most recently, Broad StreetReview. He has also been a columnist for The Philadelphia Enquirer, a syndicated film-critic and a contributor their ancestors back more than two or three generations, he points out that Jewish ancestor hunters enjoy some unique advantages. What are those advantages? Join Dan on August 22 and find out!

Dan Rothenberg graduated from the University of Pennsylvania and has to magazines such as Town and Country, Forbes, The New York Times Magazine to name a few.

Join Zoom Meeting
Doors open at 9:45 am:

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[pwd=Tm1kT2dhQ0VsU3RzU2ZVNlpaOGF0Zz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88125027038?pwd=Tm1kT2dhQ0VsU3RzU2ZVNlpaOGF0Zz09)

Meeting ID: 881 2502 7038
Passcode: 910397
TEL: (929)205-6099

RAPE CRISIS CENTER – THE AFULA BRANCH SPOTLIGHT ON THE FEDERATION'S SUPPORT FOR AFULA-GILBOA REGION IN ISRAEL



The following report was prepared by our Partnership 2GETHER colleagues in Israel:

The **Afula Branch** of Haifa Rape Crisis Center has been supported by SNEC communities, allowing it to exist. Having the center located in Afula, made it accessible to hundreds of people in Afula-Gilboa who wouldn't be able to get help otherwise. The **Afula branch** works 24/7, raising the awareness to the subject of sexual violence and its prevention, and encouraging sexual abuse survivors to contact the center for support and consultation. In addition, the center facilitates an outreach training program within the region's educational,

health, social services and criminal justice systems in both Arab and Jewish communities.

Unfortunately, the year 2020 was a year of crisis. 6,400 calls reached the center's hotline, at least 2,000 of them came from residents of Afula and the region, pointing a significant increase in applications from teenagers and professionals. At the same time the **Afula branch** continued its activity using Zoom and in-person encounters, when possible. A women support group for sexual violence victims has been carried out, new volunteers from the region has been recruited to provide assistance, meetings with about 2,000 young people in various educational frameworks and presentations were taking place by the center, who also continued, as much as possible, to provide training to professionals from the field.

Lately, following the COVID crisis and the increase of the need that arose from the field, the center has created a new lecture discussing "*10 practical ways to prevent the next abuse*", emphasizing the importance of information related to sexual violence. The lecture, enabling an open intergenerational conversation, aims to strengthen the local community and provide tools for dealing with emergencies and crises of sexual assault, and further prevent them from taking place. By now, this lecture was given to teenagers, parent, and professionals in several settlements and kibbutzim in the Afula-Gilboa region, and received positive feedback. A teenager from one of the kibbutzim says – "We are finally talking about the right things".



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The devastating earthquake in Haiti has killed hundreds of people, destroyed thousands of homes, & those who have survived are in urgent need of aid. As a collective, Federations through our partner agency JDC are providing critical medical supplies to local hospitals & will continue to provide emergency aid throughout Haiti.

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COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR 2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR



The College Scholarship Applications for the 2021-2022 academic year are now available on our website.

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Application**

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Federation may be closed nonetheless we are
still working. Working to support our community.



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**THE CHILD WHO ASKS BECOMES
A PARTNER IN THE LEARNING
PROCESS. TO ASK IS TO GROW.**

Rabbi Lord
Jonathan Sacks z”l



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.

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