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UPCOMING EVENTS

The United Jewish Center Adult Education Committee is happy to present Judith Altman to speak this coming Sunday, Jan. 31st via Zoom at 12:00 noon



Mrs. Altman is a holocaust survivor and has spoken extensively throughout Connecticut and Westchester county. A spry nonagenarian, Mrs. Altman was born in Czechoslovakia and in 1944 she was arrested and transported to Auschwitz. She was in a number of camps and when the British liberated Bergen Belsen in 1945 she was among the survivors.

If you are interested in joining us, please email the United Jewish Center office for the log-in information.

office@unitedjewishcenter.org

RSVP HERE!

The New Zionism A Case of Social Justice: "Special in Uniform" - Sunday, January 31 at 1 pm

The Federation proudly co-sponsors the "Special in Uniform" program on Sunday, January 31st from 1-2 PM. The Jewish National Fund and Israel Defense Forces are also participating with B'nai Israel. "Special in Uniform" presents how the Israel Defense Forces goes beyond ensuring the security of Israel by providing those who serve with valuable professional and social life skills.

Youth with disabilities are given the opportunity to integrate into the IDF and serve in meaningful ways, as is explained in this meaningful, educational, and inspiring program. It is an opportunity to meet and interact with true champions.

Please register early through [**office@bnaiisraelsothbury.org**](mailto:office@bnaiisraelsothbury.org).



b'nai israel



**Sunday,
January 31
1:00 - 2:00
pm**

Zoom Conference
1/31/21 1-2 pm



THE NEW ZIONISM - A CASE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE: "SPECIAL IN UNIFORM"

Presenting Israel and the core values that bind us as One People



Dar Nadler, Israel Emissary New England, Jewish National Fund

The New Zionism
How American Jews can help Israel meet its new challenges, and how engagement with Israel can revitalize American Jews' sense of ourselves



You're invited!

The Israel Advocacy Committee of B'nai Israel, Southbury in partnership with Jewish Federation of Western Connecticut in cooperation with Jewish National Fund invite you to this important program



Lt. Colonel Tiran Attia, Israel Defense Forces, Director

"Special in Uniform"
A program that places special needs individuals in active roles in the IDF, representing the Jewish values of social justice

To participate and reserve your space,
please email Valerie, synagogue administrator office@bnaisraelsouthbury.org
after Jan. 28 rabbi@bnaisraelsouthbury.org

Subject Line:

Special in Uniform

or join us on youtube

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZcCrkD5AAfg0_5R0oBI2lw

Experience International Holocaust Remembrance Day with our friends from Afula-Gilboa - Sunday, January 31 at 1pm

This initiative, called "Zikaron



BaSalon" (remembrance in the living room), started a decade ago in Israel. Holocaust survivors were invited to people's living room to an intimate and personal meeting to share their survival stories. We would like now to open this initiative to an American audience. Therefore the survivors will speak in English.

In our event, we will hear the inspiring story of **Zahava Galenty (Cohen) from Afula on January 27th at 1 pm EST.**

Note: Due to the limited number of participants on the Zoom meeting, please register in advance, in the link: <https://forms.gle/AYE6T3UckJX5T3tg8>

The event will be broadcast on Facebook-live in Afula Municipality Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/afula.live/>

REGISTER
HERE

How Will the Next Congress Combat Hate? Sunday, January 31 at 3 pm

Dear Federation Members and Constituents,

We would like to invite you to a rare opportunity to participate in a Zoom session with members of our Congressional delegation as they address an issue that is of critical concern to the Jewish community.

JFACT has arranged for our Senators and Congressional Representatives to address the Connecticut Jewish community on how the next Congress plans to counteract the rise of hate in the United States. As noted above, at this point it appears that nearly all will participate. The program is scheduled for this Sunday, January 31st at 3:00 pm. Your Federation is a sponsor of the event.

The flyer below provides further detail of the program. Please click on the registration button below to receive the Zoom link. If you have any questions or comments, please let us know.

Thanks for all you do for the Federation and for Jewish life in Western and Northwestern Connecticut.



Jewish Federation Association of Connecticut (JFACT)



HOW WILL THE NEXT CONGRESS COMBAT HATE?

JFACT invites you to participate in a conversation with members of our Congressional delegation. We will be discussing how the next Congress will combat the rise in hate that has been boiling for years and culminated in the insurrection at the United State Capitol.

Confirmed to attend are Senator Blumenthal, Congresswoman DeLauro, Congressman Himes, Congressman Courtney and Congresswoman Hayes.

Please join us Sunday, January 31st at 3:00pm via zoom.

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

**Virtual Mission to Washington -
Mon & Tues Feb 1-2**

**UNITING TO
SECURE A BRIGHT
JEWISH FUTURE**

VIRTUAL MISSION

TO WASHINGTON

Ensure government resources for the institutions that keep Jewish life flourishing

Advance laws that fight antisemitism and uphold a strong U.S.-Israel relationship

Partner to help us maintain safe, inclusive and resilient communities

Make it your mission and join us today.

Election day may be behind us, but our work in Washington D.C. is just gearing up. This February, make it your mission to come together in our nation's capital with political leaders and policymakers for the first-ever virtual mission to D.C.

Together We Will:

- Ensure government resources for the institutions that keep Jewish life flourishing.
- Advance laws that fight antisemitism and uphold a strong U.S.-Israel relationship.
- Partner to help maintain safe, inclusive, and resilient communities.

CONTACT: dcvmission@jfna.org

Co-Chairs



Jill Deutch

*Board Member, Federation of
South Palm Beach County*



Kevin M. Paillet

*Secretary, Federation of
Greater Dallas*

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Kickoff with Itzhak Perlman - Feb 3 at 7pm



Join us as we kick off Jewish Disability Advocacy Month with a special conversation featuring renowned violinist Itzhak Perlman, who despite losing the ability to stand or walk on his own after a bout of polio as a young child, never let his disability deter him from his dream of becoming a world-class musician. Hear his inspiring story, as well as from leading members of Congress, and Federations empowering people with disabilities.

*To register for this event, fill out the **JDAM registration form**. Make sure to scroll to the bottom of the form and select "Yes" for the Itzhak Perlman event.*

Learn more about the full month of JDAM programming [here](#).

REGISTER HERE!

Art Show Program - Feb 18 at 6:00pm

Art Show Program Featuring Artist Jill Krutrick



Thursday evening, February 18, 2021, at 6:00 o'clock pm
Virtual Art Show
To make a reservation please register by email to cconti@jfed.net or call 860-483-6396

Join us for an evening of brilliant art by artist Jill

Krutrick, a famous painter from Westchester, New York. The

program will start at 6 with a quick introduction of our new Executive Director, Gary Jones. We then will continue with the experience of meeting Jill and learning all about her life-changing career. A decision to leave Wall Street and become the person she knew that will fulfill her life as, "an Artist".

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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.

OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GARY JONES



The Jewish Federation of Western Connecticut welcomes 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. Please feel free to contact Gary at gjones@jfed.net

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