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**MAKE A DIFFERENCE - DONATE
TODAY!**

Annual Campaign Kickoff

Please join us on Sunday October 17, 2021 at 10 a.m.

הַבּוֹנִים – Habonim “The Builders”

The Jewish Federation of Western CT
invites you to our virtual
Annual Campaign Kickoff
on Sunday, October 17, 2021 at 10 a.m.

We are proud to announce that our
featured guest speaker will be
Ambassador Meron Reuben,
Consul General of Israel to New England

RSVP to cconti@jfed.net by October 15, 2021
to receive the link to join our Campaign Kickoff

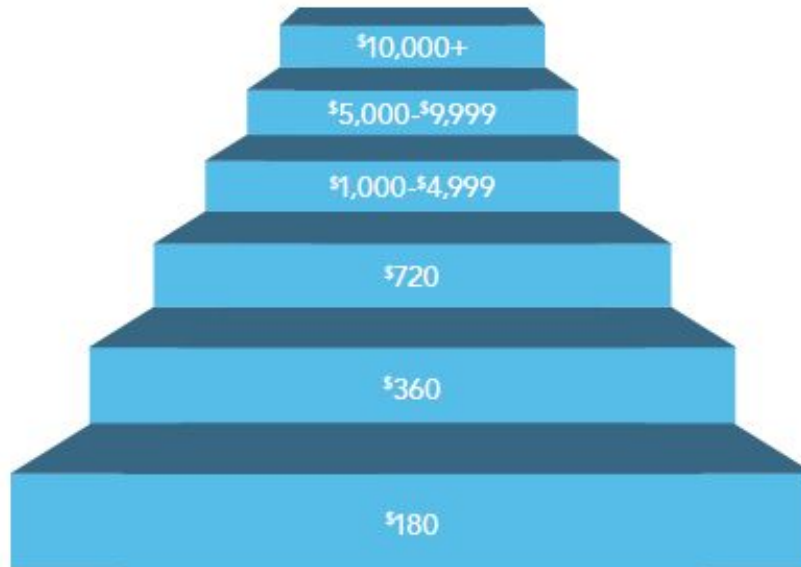


Jewish Federation®
OF WESTERN CONNECTICUT
444 Main Street North
Southbury, CT 06844



“The Builders”

Help us to build our Federation so that together we can create a more cohesive and vibrant Jewish community in Western and Northwestern CT.



The Virtual Annual Campaign Kickoff will also give us the opportunity to honor true Habonim of Jewish life throughout Western and Northwestern CT.

Each synagogue, school and other Jewish institution will have the opportunity to designate an individual to be honored for his or her unwavering support of that institution over the last 18 months.

[PLEASE REGISTER HERE!](#)

[UPCOMING FEDERATION EVENTS!](#)

The logo for "love & knishes luncheons" features a red heart icon above the word "love" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The word "knishes" is in a larger, bold, black, sans-serif font, and "luncheons" is in a smaller, black, cursive font below it.

Return, Live and In-Person.

**With Airborne Trio on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 1:00 pm.
at the Jewish Federation of Western CT 444 Main St. North
Southbury, CT 06488**



Airborne formed in the 1980s the band celebrates years of recording projects, festivals, concerts, corporate and private functions, city and community events, healthcare centers, assisted living, senior centers, libraries, schools, educational workshops, residences, and clubs.

The cost of this event is \$10. Please RSVP by clicking the button below.

As a reminder, as per CDC guidelines, all guests must wear a mask.

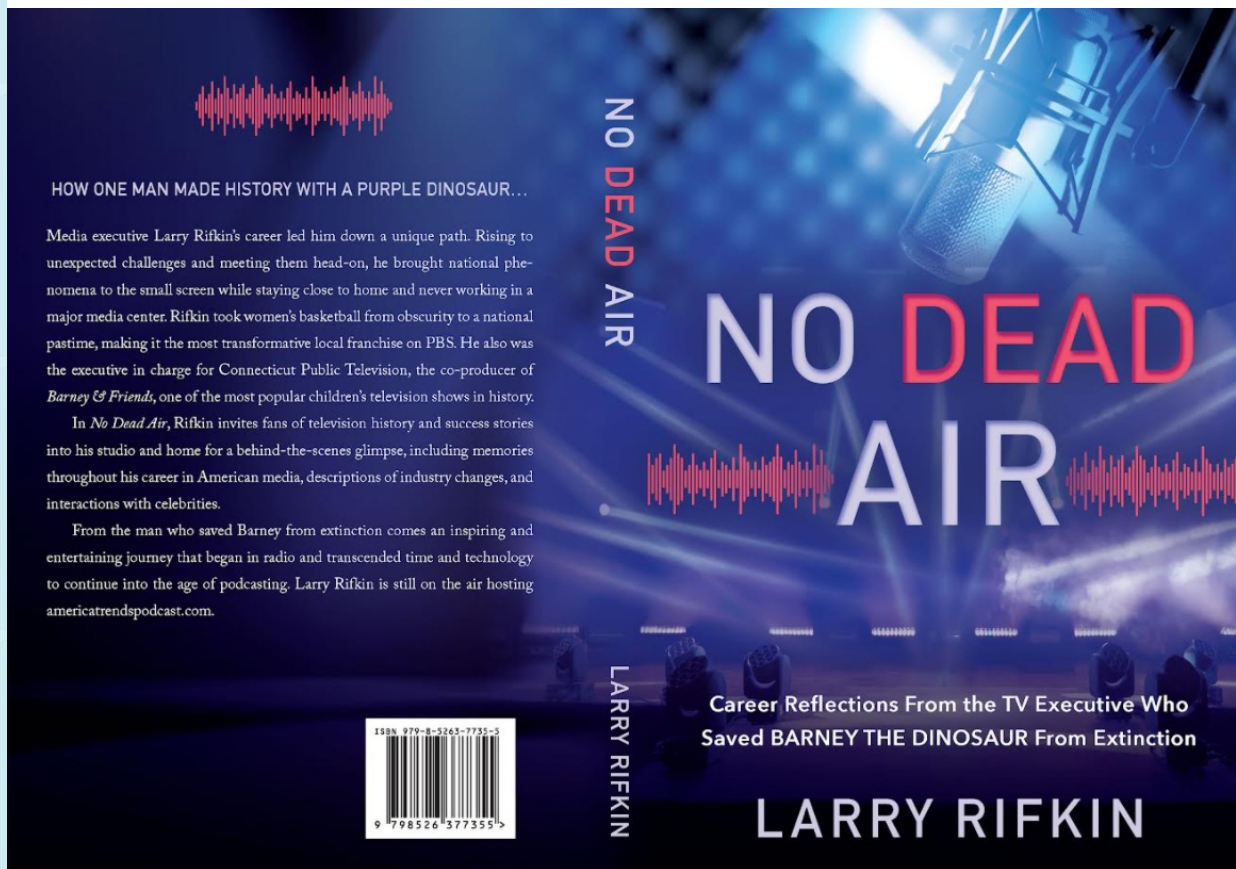
Thank you and we look forward to seeing each and every one of you.

Please RSVP to cconti@jfed.net

**Please join us on Sunday, November 7th
at 2 pm for a presentation and book signing as
former Connecticut Public Television Executive
and former WATR radio talk show host
Larry Rifkin introduces us to his
newly released book
"No Dead Air"**

RSVP to email cconti@jfed.net by November 1st.

AT THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF WESTERN CT LOCATED AT
444 MAIN STREET NORTH SOUTHBURY, CT 06488



Larry Rifkin was the programming executive for Connecticut Public Television (CPTV) for over a quarter of a century, from 1986 to 2009.

CONNECTICUT Magazine characterized his time at the station as the 'Elvis years' because of the many programming accomplishments attributed to his leadership.

Most notable, Rifkin was responsible for bringing 'Barney & Friends' to PBS. It went on to become one of the most successful children's television series in history and he introduced UConn Women's Basketball to television and helped to propel women's sports on TV nationally.

Under his leadership, CPTV amassed over fifty (50) Emmy Awards in the Boston/New England competition. And Mr. Rifkin was inducted into the Boston/New England Silver Circle in 2006. This is the regional television equivalent of a Lifetime Achievement Award.

Mr. Rifkin was a skilled on air presenter on CPTV and returned to his radio roots full-time back in 2010 as host of 'Talk of the Town' on WATR 1320 for a seven year period.

He now hosts the podcast, americatrendspodcast.com, where he looks at changes in our society and our politics. He is approaching 500 episodes recorded.

His new book is titled 'No Dead Air' and it will be released in the fall.

Israelights

We are proud to announce a new section that will occasionally be included in our weekly e-blast called “Israelights”. The purpose of Israelights is to showcase the variety of ways your Federation impacts various institutions and communities in Israel generally, and particularly in Afula-Gilboa, the Federation’s sister region. Your support of the Federation enables us to enhance the work of so many important social service and community building agencies in Israel. In this section, we hope to give you a greater understanding of the value of your support.



The Jewish Federation of Western Connecticut is pleased to provide a series of short videos prepared by our friends from Partnership2GETHER in Afula, Israel. Here is the first one.

This series focuses on the multiplicity of religions in our region.



Click the image above to view the full video

**Ask Senator Murphy to support the Nonprofit
Security Grant Program**



**Jewish Federation Association
of Connecticut (JFACT)**



Congress is halfway home in their deliberations on a budget. The House of Representatives completed their Appropriations committee discussions. Now, the focus turns to the United States Senate.

Please join JFACT in reaching out to Senator Chris Murphy who is chairman of the Homeland Security Appropriations subcommittee. As the chairman, Senator Murphy plays a central role in funding the Nonprofit Security Grant Program which provides money to Jewish nonprofits to increase their security infrastructure. Security continues to be a major concern for the Jewish community. Let's use our voice to advocate for increased security.

Please ask Senator Murphy to include up to \$360 million for FEMA's Nonprofit Security Grant Program in the subcommittee's homeland security appropriations bill.

Please click on the following link to contact Senator Murphy.
<https://jfact.salsalabs.org/nonprofitsecuritygrantprogram>

**Jewish Federation Association of Connecticut
applauds Bipartisan statement on use of
Holocaust imagery**



**Jewish Federation Association
of Connecticut (JFACT)**

In a joint statement, House Speaker Matt Ritter, House Minority Leader Vincent Candelora, Senate President Martin Looney and Senate Minority Leader Kevin Kelly said:

Leaders of all four caucuses of the Connecticut General Assembly condemn the recent rise and use of Holocaust imagery and analogies, along with references to Adolf Hitler and the Nazi regime in community and political discussions, including current mask/vaccine mandates. Such linkage trivializes the extent of crimes against humanity, diminishes the suffering of survivors, and offends those who understand the profound evil Hitler and the Nazis represented. There is simply no comparison between contemporary political issues and the actions of Hitler and his accomplices who were responsible for the murders of over 6 million Jews and millions of other victims. Our caucuses stand strong against these references becoming normalized in our politics and our communities.

Michael Bloom, Executive Director of the Jewish Federation Association of Connecticut (JFACT), is thankful we live in a state where our elected officials will not allow the use of Holocaust imagery and comparisons to be normalized.

JFACT lobbies city, state, and federal officials on issues of importance to the seven Jewish Federations, as well as their beneficiary service agencies, across Connecticut.

COMMUNITY EVENTS



PJ LIBRARY PAJAMA EVENT AT CBI

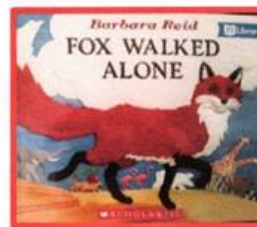
October 17th at 11:00 A.M.

This program is open to the
greater Danbury Jewish community and it is free!
The program is geared toward ages Pre-K to Grade 1.
An adult must accompany Pre-K child(ren)

Come in your pajamas
(or not, PJ's are optional)



We will share stories about "*G'milut Chasadim*"
acts of kindness and compassion toward others



along with art



and music



Please RSVP to: cbi193clap@gmail.com and let us know you are coming.

CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL
193 Clapboard Ridge Road
Danbury, CT 06811
203-792-6161

Learn More!



Virtual Mission **LATIN AMERICA**

Monday October 18, 2021 at 7 PM

Experience the Jewish Communities of Latin America from the comfort of your home! Join Federation partner JDC, leading global Jewish humanitarian organization, as we highlight personal stories about the impact your support makes across the globe.

Book Your "Ticket" Today!
 jfedshaw.org/crc

**BOOK YOUR TICKET
TODAY!**

THE JCC IN SHERMAN JEWISH HERITAGE SERIES

CRITICAL MOMENTS IN JEWISH HISTORY

WITH RABBI ARI ROSENBERG

This series will be a discourse on "Critical Moments in Jewish History" from Biblical times through present trends in Judaism. Each class will be introduced with an overview of the subject, to be followed by class discussion, for a total of one hour. Each session will be an isolated unit so people can attend as they are available.



6- Week Series on Zoom - Fridays 4:30PM-5:30PM | October 22- December 3rd

No class the Friday after Thanksgiving 11/26

Each session is \$20 per person | Sign up for all 6 for \$100

Visit our website for the list of topics & to register
www.jccinsherman.org

JCC in Sherman 9 Route 39 S, Sherman CT 06784 | info@jccinsherman.org | 860-355-8050

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Tech2Peace:

Israelis & Palestinians Innovating a Better Future

A BYO brunch & learn workshop

The first in a new series on Israel's shared society



Panelists



Uri Rosenberg,
Co-Founder



Abeer Bandak,
Co-Founder



Adnan Jaber,
Alumnus & Volunteer



Jake Shapiro,
Dialogue Facilitator

Facilitator

Sunday, October 24 | 12 to 1:15 pm | Zoom

Tech2Peace leverages Israel's impressive high-tech ecosystem to build a cross-border network of young leaders who are working together toward a more peaceful future. It brings together young Palestinians and Israelis through intensive high-tech and entrepreneurship training, dialogue, joint start-ups, and an active alumni community. **In this interactive program, you'll meet Palestinian and Israeli staff and alumni of T2P and hear their perspectives and what they've learned by working together.**

Register by October 21 at <https://bit.ly/Tech2Peace1024>

Advance registration required.

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REGISTER NOW!

**Bold Conversations with Dr. Deborah Lipstadt and
Rabbi Marc Baker on October 25, 2021 at 7 P.M.**

by Combined Jewish Philanthropies (CJP)



BOLD CONVERSATIONS



This fall, CJP invites you to join us for “Bold Conversations,” a series of free, virtual community events featuring diverse perspectives. Our first conversation will be with Dr. Deborah Lipstadt and Rabbi Marc Baker, who will discuss confronting antisemitism in our community and beyond.

This one-night-only event will not be recorded, so make sure you join the virtual conversation live. Closed captioning will be available.

A link to join will be provided prior to the event.

If you have any questions, please email Dan
(dans@cjp.org) or call 617-457-8575.

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

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Ahead of Her Time

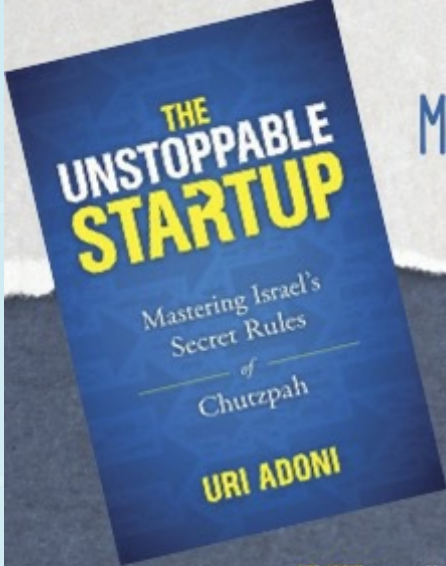
Celebrating 25 Years of Vision

Thursday, November 4th, 8:00 p.m. ET / 5:00 p.m. PT

Registration is officially open!

In honor of JWA's 25th anniversary, join us on **November 4th, 2021** for a celebration of the history, achievements, and leadership of Jewish women. A multi-generational and spirited event for everyone!

[RSVP HERE!](#)



THE UNSTOPPABLE STARTUP: MASTERING ISRAEL'S SECRET RULES OF CHUTZPAH MONDAY, NOV. 8, 12 NOON

Tune in for a conversation between **URI ADONI**, former CEO of MSN Israel and leading Israeli venture capitalist, and Westport's **CLIFF SIRLIN**, managing director of Launch Capital, for an inside look at Israel's success as a start-up nation.

URI ADONI has over 20 years in the high-tech world as a venture capitalist at Jerusalem Venture Partners - one of Israel's leading venture capitals with an impressive track record - angel investor, international speaker, and the CEO of MSN Israel (Microsoft Networks). He was also a commander of a combat unit (Major) in the IDF.



As Managing Partner at Launch Capital, **CLIFF SIRLIN** has created marketplaces and disrupted supply chains across industries. His businesses have spanned energy, drycleaning, real estate, and publishing. Most recently, he served as the CEO of Domino. As an active investor, Cliff's investments include Seamless, InVision, Ponds, Living Social, Atlas Obscura, Greatist, Transactis, Big Fuel, and many others. Cliff received his law degree from The New York University School of Law and an undergraduate degree from Colgate University. Cliff lives in Westport with his wife and their two children.

Behind the Pages

brings authors to the Upper Fairfield County community, co-sponsored by Federation for Jewish Philanthropy and Jewish Book Council. For a full program, visit shalomct.org/behindthepages.

This program is co-sponsored by JFACT (Jewish Federation Association of Connecticut) and the CT-Israel Chamber of Commerce, a new not-for-profit organization that fosters and strengthens trade, business, academic collaboration, and cultural exchange between Connecticut and Israel to benefit the economy and community of each location.



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ADL | NEVER IS NOW

UNITE. LEARN. ACT. NOW.

NOVEMBER 7-9, 2021

Join us at the *Never Is Now Summit on Antisemitism and Hate* as ADL presents its Courage Against Hate Award to Jean-Paul Agon, Chairman of the L'Oréal Group. A true leader who not only fights against hate but inspires others to do the same, Agon will receive the award at Never Is Now's Opening Session on Sunday, November 7, which starts at 7:30 PM ET / 4:30 PM PT.

Jean-Paul Agon, Courage Against Hate Award Recipient



“Receiving the Courage Against Hate Award is one of the greatest honors of my life,” Agon said. Under his leadership, L'Oréal has shown a deep commitment to advancing diversity, equity and inclusion within the company and to respecting human rights and combating hatred in society, particularly to combating antisemitism.

ADL is pleased to recognize Agon at Never Is Now, following previous Courage Against Hate honorees including Apple CEO Tim Cook (2018), Chobani CEO and Founder Hamdi Ulukaya (2019) and Merck Executive Chairman of the Board Kenneth C. Frazier (2020). The award honors visionary leaders who promote understanding and unity in a complex world and exemplify ADL's core values, including courage, collaboration, inclusion and integrity.

The ADL/L'Oréal Holocaust Education Partnership

L'Oréal USA, the largest subsidiary in the L'Oréal Group, will be partnering with ADL on a new initiative reaching more than 100,000 middle and high school students at approximately 1,750 schools across the country with a new educational curriculum designed to raise awareness and promote understanding about the Holocaust.

As Stéphane Rinderknech, President & CEO of L'Oréal USA, says about the initiative, “The rising tide of antisemitism is alarming, and we hope to be able to help turn back the tide by promoting understanding and empathy among a new generation of students.”

This new initiative will share testimonials, personal narratives, and primary sources with students, focusing on the humanity of Holocaust survivors through self-paced independent learning opportunities and digital interactions.

We hope you'll join Jean-Paul Agon, as well as community leaders, students,

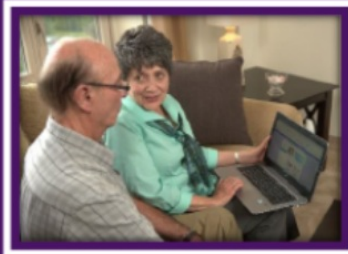
academics and business leaders from across the county for this year's Summit. You will be inspired, empowered and challenged by our unmatched lineup of speakers and sessions to combat the ever-present challenges of antisemitism, bigotry and hate.

Please register today at neverisnow.org and join us online from Nov. 7-9.

**SIGN UP TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST ANTISEMITISM
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VIRTUAL Education Programs For General Public

October 18th at 10:30 AM Understanding & Responding to Dementia Behaviors

October 19th at 12 PM Dementia Conversations

October 19th at 6 PM 10 Warning Signs

October 20th at 6:30 PM Understanding & Responding to Dementia Behaviors

October 25th at 6 PM Effective Communication Strategies

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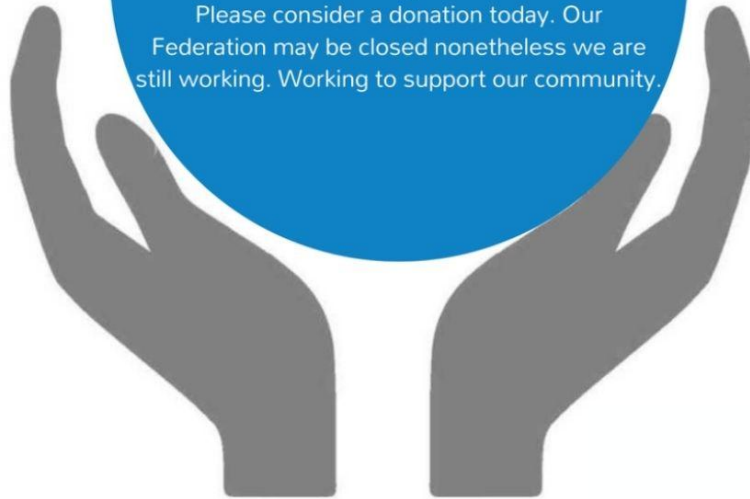


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DONATE TODAY -
IN CHALLENGING TIMES
WE ARE GRANDER TOGETHER

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.



WEEKLY WISDOM



Did you know that Federation supports one of the largest social service networks in North America?

That includes food banks and pantries. Saturday is World Food Day, so before Shabbat begins, be sure to find out about the volunteer opportunities in your community.

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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