



Executive Director's Letter

April 2014

Dear Friends,

An important portion of the dollars you contribute to Federation are allocated through our national organization, the Jewish Federations of North America, or JFNA, to meet Jewish needs around the globe. How are these funds spent? The situation in Ukraine offers a case in point of how your money is put to work to help our fellow Jews during a crisis.

When JFNA receives funding from local Federations for overseas needs, the funds are mainly allocated to three long-time, international partners of our Federation system:

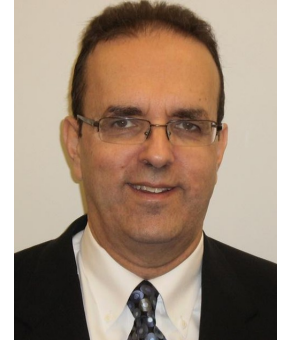
- **JDC** – The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, also sometimes referred to as 'The Joint', has specialized in providing global Jewish humanitarian assistance since 1914.
- **JAFI** – The Jewish Agency for Israel since 1929 has provided emergency services and support to Jews in Israel and serves as a first responder to aid and rescue Jews at risk around the world.
- **World ORT** – Founded in 1880, World ORT is the leading global Jewish education and vocational training NGO (non-governmental organization).

Each organization has been active in serving the more than 300,000 Jews in Ukraine. While Jews in Ukraine have, for the most part, not been outright targets of violence, they are caught in the cross-fire like everyone else.

The Ukrainian currency has been significantly devalued, eroding local buying power and rapidly raising the cost of basic goods and services. This has taken its toll on everyone, including working-class and even middle-class families. The impact on the weakest members of society, including thousands of elderly Jews surviving on already meager pensions, is devastating.

In response, the JDC has activated its emergency response network to ensure continued home deliveries of food, medicine, heating and cooking fuel, and sustained life-saving care at home for the elderly, a significant challenge given the rising cost of

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Our Mission

Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids unites the local Jewish community to sustain and strengthen Jews locally, in Israel, and around the world.

This mission is accomplished by providing services to the community and through fundraising and allocation efforts.

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Your donation to JFGR is 100% tax deductible. Payments can be made by cash, check, credit card or stock.

The Louis and Helen Padnos Foundation has made a dollar-for-dollar matching grant commitment for all new gifts and increases in contributions. In addition, the Hy and Greta Berkowitz Foundation made a similar matching grant commitment for new gifts and increases in contributions from donors under age 45 in order to encourage philanthropy in our next generation.

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these supplies and services. Also, as a noteworthy example of JDC's role in supporting community spirit, a special effort at Purim was made to deliver *mishloach manot*, the traditional Purim food baskets, to many of the 9,000 Jews in the Crimean capital of Simferopol.

JAFI, or the Jewish Agency, has allocated emergency funds to bolster security at 97 Jewish institutions, including synagogues, yeshivas and community centers, in 30 cities across Ukraine. Similarly, World ORT has increased security at four of its schools. In such a volatile environment, all of the country's schools are concerned with ensuring the safety of their students. Many students must travel to class through now-dangerous areas, so increased security is justifiably paramount.

Thank you for your generous support of Federation and our fellow Jews, especially those at risk no matter where they are located around the world. Please let me know should you have any questions about how your funds are put to use.

Best regards,
Mike
mike@jfgr.org

P.S. You may recall last month's column discussed the BDS (boycott, divestments and sanctions) movement against Israel. I recommend to you a recent article on the issue by the leaders of JFNA and JCPA (the Jewish Council for Public Affairs) which may be found on page 3 of this *Shofar*.



Please cut out this pledge card, fill it in and send it to the Federation office.

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Op-Ed: Beating back the assault on Israel's legitimacy

By Rabbi Steve Gutow and Jerry Silverman. (This article originally appeared in JTA on March 11, 2014)

NEW YORK (JTA) — Leaders of the boycott, divestment and sanctions movement say they are protesting Israel's policies in the West Bank. They are doing far more than that.

BDS advocates routinely oppose a two-state solution and seek to delegitimize the sovereign, Jewish State of Israel. In some cases, BDS becomes the latest form of anti-Semitism.

The BDS movement aims to isolate and punish Israel, using the same techniques applied to apartheid South Africa. Not hesitating to misrepresent facts and ignore context, these Israel bashers take advantage of ignorance and naïveté within civil society circles, mostly in Western Europe, to advance their anti-Israel agenda.

BDS advocates view the situation in the West Bank through a one-way lens, seeing only a single perspective. They cite, for example, the security checkpoints that make life difficult for Palestinians but conveniently overlook the reasons for those checkpoints. They ignore the fact that hurting Israel's economy would also hurt Palestinians who earn their livelihoods from Israeli-owned businesses.

BDS backers don't bother to protest the many countries that have horrific human rights records, instead singling out the world's only Jewish state, often based on false or misrepresented information.

A tipping point for the Jewish community's response to BDS came in 2009 when a number of anti-Israel groups called for a boycott of the Toronto International Film Festival because one of its themes was Tel Aviv's 100th anniversary. The Toronto and Los Angeles Jewish federations joined forces and, with the involvement of major figures in the entertainment industry, fashioned an effective response.

With calls for BDS escalating in the mainline Protestant churches, on college campuses and elsewhere, Jewish community leaders realize that the situation calls for more than an ad hoc approach: Local communities need a strategic approach with national support and coordination.

In 2010, the Jewish Federations of North America, representing more than 150 local federations, allocated significant resources so that the Israel Action Network could serve this purpose. The Jewish Council for Public Affairs — with its 16 national member organizations, including all four of the religious movements, and 125 Jewish community relations councils, which work with non-Jewish coalition partners on a range of international and domestic concerns — was the JFNA's obvious partner.

One principle that guides this work is that we should understand our audiences. And when we speak with others, we should do so with a respect for the sensitivities of that constituency so that our important messages are authentically heard. Whether on a campus, in a church or speaking with an LGBT group, we should always be clear

that we stand as partners, sharing the goal of a future with peace and security — not one of conflict and BDS.

Experience and research demonstrate that what works best with these audiences — mostly made up of political and religious progressives — is not an all-good-vs.-all-bad characterization of Israelis and Palestinians. Instead, a more nuanced narrative is the one that is likely to defeat the one-sided and hostile stance of those seeking to delegitimize Israel.

This means honestly conveying the situation's complexity, expressing empathy for suffering on both sides (without implying moral equivalency) and offering a constructive pathway to helping the parties move toward peace and reconciliation based on two states for two peoples.

Whether we are dealing with a boycott of Israeli academic institutions adopted by the American Studies Association or an attempt to remove Israeli products from a Brooklyn food co-op, the most effective opponents of these initiatives are the people who travel in those circles.

While we in the organized Jewish community should not remain silent in the face of Israel's delegitimization, we should strongly support and accentuate the efforts of these third-party validators who share our values and viewpoints. The 247 (and counting) universities and colleges that have denounced academic boycotts generally — and academic boycotts of Israel specifically — are just such validators.

It is not enough to only expose the true goals of the boycotters and their allies. Israel's supporters must also go on the offensive and drain the swamps of ignorance that allow the poisonous ideas of the Jewish state's opponents to incubate. Thus, we are taking the initiative to inoculate vulnerable politically progressive sectors, presenting a more factual perspective on Israel and taking prominent leaders to the region to see the real situation firsthand.

The Israel Action Network, of course, does not work alone in this arena. On a daily basis, numerous organizations stand up for Israel. Through the IAN, JFNA and JCPA are working together to convene around a common strategic planning table not only our affiliates but also a range of other North American, Israeli and European groups in order to share best practices and coordinate our collective resources in confronting this global danger.

There is no imminent threat to the critical and broad North American support for Israel. But American support for Israel is not something to be taken for granted in light of the organized campaign we now face. While we should not be panicked, we cannot be complacent either. We pledge to continue to work hard to prevent any erosion of that support. (Rabbi Steve Gutow is president and CEO of the Jewish Council for Public Affairs. Jerry Silverman is

JEWISH CULTURAL COUNCIL



MARCH 23
LAVON MERCER

SAVE THE DATE !

Sunday, June 1, 4:00 p.m.

With Robyn Helzner

Kreplach & Dim Sum

Yes, There are Jews in China!



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PURIM 2014 CARNIVAL

Fun for All Ages!!



Seniors

LUNCH BUNCH Thursday, April 10...11:15 a.m.

Heritage Restaurant

151 Fountain St NE **Cost \$8**

RSVP by Tuesday April 8 to Ann at 616-942-5553

Transportation is also available by calling Ann

Free parking under restaurant, enter from Ransom

*If a cancellation is necessary, you will be notified by phone by 10 a.m.



LUNCH BUNCH SAVE THESE DATES:

May 15 - Twisted Rooster at 11:30 a.m. - June 19 - TBD

Taking suggestions for places to eat: 616-942-5553



At that time, tickets will be sold for all seats.

PLEASE PLAN TO ARRIVE EARLY. That means even if you are holding a flex pass ticket, seats are not guaranteed later than thirty minutes prior to movie time.

Flex pass tickets are only available until May 2nd.

The Film Festival also offers members of the community an opportunity to become an individual sponsor of the Jewish Film Festival. Please read about the benefits of becoming a financial supporter below.

Individual Sponsors Get Great Benefits!

Director: (\$500.00) receive two flex passes (16 admissions), recognition in all publications, and four admissions to all private receptions, dinners and events.

Producers: (\$250) receive two flex passes (16 admissions), recognition in all publications and two admissions to all private receptions, dinners, and events.

Actor: (\$100.00) receive one season punch card (8 admissions) and recognition in the program booklet.

Film Fan: If you would like to financially support the Jewish Film Festival and do not see an amount that interests you, please feel free to send a contribution in any amount to the Federation office. You will be listed in the program booklet.

The 2014 Jewish Film Festival is once again bringing special movies to the Grand Rapids community. The committee has been previewing movies and planning special programs. As in previous years, the Film Festival will be held at Celebration! North Cinemas. Watch for more details about the festival events in our community mailings.

The Film Festival is offering special rates through a **flex pass** (eight admissions): the flex pass is **\$36.00**. Flex pass ticket holders will have seats reserved until **THIRTY MINUTES** prior to the movie beginning.

I would like to be a Film Festival Sponsor

NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

_____ Film Festival Director (\$500.00)

_____ Film Festival Producer (\$250.00)

_____ Film Festival Actor (\$100)

_____ Film Festival Fan

_____ Flex Pass (\$36.00)

Mail this form and your check to:
Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids
2727 Michigan NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506



Celebration!® North Cinema

Admission is \$6.00 per film. / Flex pass ticket: \$36.00 (available until May 1) Contact: 616-942-5553 or sari@jfgfr.org

Sunday, May 4

1:30 p.m.

THE ZIGZAG KID

FREE FAMILY MATINEE

Coming of age comedy based on the same name novel by David Grossman 95 min / Dutch-English-French with subtitles



Thirteen-year old Nono is the son of the world's greatest police inspector, trained since birth in the art of sleuthing. When a train trip to his boring Uncle Shmuel morphs into a rollicking mystery-solving adventure, Nono couldn't be more thrilled. Joining with his father's arch-nemesis, the notorious criminal Felix Glick, he travels to the French Riviera, entering a world of disguises and crazy pursuits, and crossing paths with the famous singer Lola Ciperola (played by Isabella Rossellini) and Zohara, a mysterious woman whose secrets will forever change Nono's life.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K_JEZEExGYmg

Sunday, May 4

6:30 p.m.

FESTIVAL OPENING NIGHT

FREE RECEPTION & MUSICAL PRESENTATION

At the Cinema

The Matzah Ball Band will perform songs from the film **Broadway Musical**



Sunday, May 4

7:30 p.m.

BROADWAY MUSICAL

Documentary - 90 min / English

Engaging, humorous, and provocative, *Broadway Musicals: A Jewish Legacy* examines the unique role of Jewish composers and lyricists in the creation of the modern American musical. The film showcases the work of legends such as Irving Berlin, Jerome Kern, George



and Ira Gershwin, Lorenz Hart, Richard Rodgers, Oscar Hammerstein II, Leonard Bernstein, and Stephen Sondheim. Interviews with songwriters and luminaries including Sheldon Harnick, Stephen Schwartz, Harold Prince, Arthur Laurents, Charles Strouse, and Mel Brooks provide insight, alongside standout performances and archival footage.

<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/gperf/episodes/broadway-musicals-a-jewish-legacy/about-the-film/1476/>

Monday, May 5

7:30 p.m.

THE ATTACK

Drama - Rated R for some violent images, language and brief sexuality - 102 min / Hebrew – Arabic with subtitles

Dr. Amin Jaafari is an assimilated Arab surgeon who seems to have it all, a

promising career with honors among the Israelis in Tel Aviv. That all changes after a devastating terrorist suicide bombing and his beloved wife, Siham, is found among the dead as the primary suspect. Although initially refusing to accept this as Shin Bet interrogates him, Amin comes to realize the allegations are true. Now, the ostracized Amin resolves to find out on his own why Siham had such a strong conviction that she kept the secret from him. However, the answers prove hard to come by and the truths involved have a terrible pain of their own.



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vkRWXhJLH0I>

Tuesday, May 6

7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 7

7:30 p.m.

ALL IN (LA SUERTE EN TUS MANOS)

Comedy - 110 min / Spanish with subtitles



Uriel, a professional poker player who has bluffed his way through life's rougher moments, has been on a real hot streak-with the ladies-since his marriage fizzled out. Happy with developing his online gambling business, being single, and raising his two sweet kids, Uriel takes a gamble and decides to have a vasectomy. But just as he embarks on his new life of freedom, he runs into his old pre-marriage flame, Gloria, newly arrived in Buenos Aires after years abroad. Winner of the Best Screenplay Award at the 2012 Tribeca Festival, *All In* is an entertaining reflection on neurosis, commitment and the perils of

love second time around.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x4Dtqau2P24>

DISOBEDIENCE: The Sousa Mendes Story

Based on a real story - 104 min / French with subtitles

In June 1940, when Nazi troops invaded France, an amazing rescue operation sprang into being. One man, on his own, defying the direct orders of his government, chose to grant visas out of Occupied France to an estimated 30,000 refugees including around 10,000 Jews.



This remarkable true story has been described by historians as 'the largest rescue action by a single individual during the Holocaust.' The man was Aristides de Sousa Mendes, the Portuguese Consul in Bordeaux. He is recalled to Lisbon and punished for his disobedience. After the war, he dies in poverty and disgrace.

<http://sousamendesfilm.com>

Speaker: Harry Oesterreicher, son and grandson of Sousa Mendes visa recipients.

<http://sousamendesfoundation.org/oesterreicher-1/>

Thursday, May 8

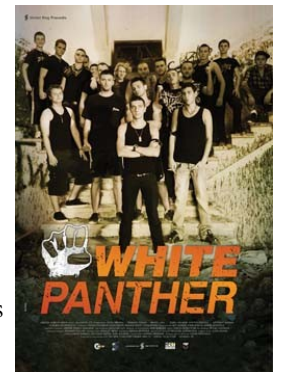
7:30 p.m.

WHITE PANTHER

Narrative - 89 min / Hebrew- Russian- English with subtitles

In the 1990's a million former USSR Jews arrived in Israel. The immigrants were despised by the local population who feared their 'invasion'. While many embraced the Israeli lifestyle, others chose to live in self-made Russian ghettos.

These ghettos were a fertile ground for the creation of self-hating Jewish skinheads. 'White Panther' is the story of Alex, a young Russian immigrant who joins a skinheads' gang, led by his older brother. An unexpected meeting with David, a religious Moroccan Jew, gives Alex a chance to pursue his longtime dream of becoming a boxer like his father. Alex finds himself torn between his two father figures - his violent older brother and his new Jewish trainer, only to find out the truth about those he so admires.



<http://www.israelifilms.co.il/White-Panther.html>

FILM FESTIVAL DINNER

Wednesday, May 7 6:00 p.m.

EASTERN EUROPEAN DINNER

**and Festival Raffle
in The Wave Room**

Catered by:

That Polish Girl Catering

Adults: \$8.00

Children (12 and younger): \$5.00

RSVP by May 1st to the Jewish Federation

At 942-5553 or Sari@jfg.org

Visit us at: www.jewishgrandrapids.org or on facebook
www.facebook.com/jewishfilmfestivalgr



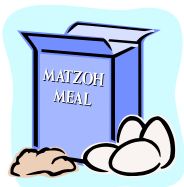
Despite our best intentions and efforts, sometimes arrangements go awry. If necessary, we reserve the right to change or cancel speakers, movies or location.

For information call: Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids
616-942-5553 or visit www.jewishgrandrapids.org

The Film Festival is made possible by the generous grant from the
Rosenzweig-Coopersmith Foundations and private donors.

Passover Food!!

Forest Hills Foods and some Meijers and D&W Stores have special Passover food displays. The first Seder is Monday night, April 14. Passover concludes at sundown on Tuesday, April 22.



YAD

(Young Adult Division for 21-35 year olds)

Sunday, April 6 - Mitzvah Brunch

9am-12pm

YAD will be making and serving brunch to residents at Ronald McDonald House. Following the brunch, we will go out to lunch. For additional information and RSVP contact

Lauren at laurenevetter@gmail.com

SHALOM GRAND RAPIDS!!

A new program of the Jewish Federation

* Would you like to become an ambassador to welcome people who are new to the Jewish community, or not currently involved?

* If you know about somebody new to the Grand Rapids community, please let us know. "Shalom Grand Rapids" would like to welcome them.

To sign up or receive additional information about the program, contact Sari at the

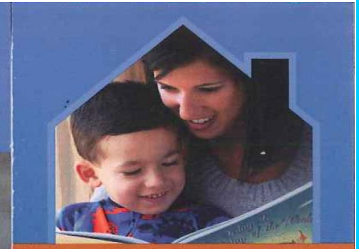
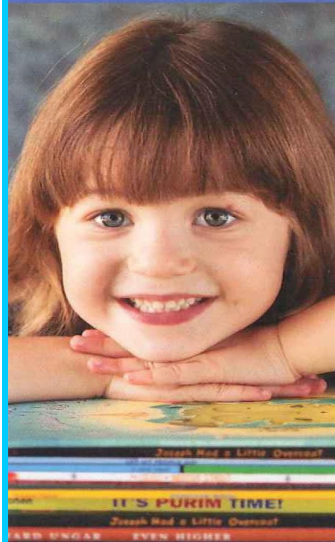
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WELCOME

PJ Library is here! Thank you! To the Ravitz Foundation and Rosenzweig-Coopersmith Foundation.

A GIFT for
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WHAT? The PJ Library ("PJ" for "pajamas") program offers the gift of free, high-quality Jewish books and music each month to children ages 6 months through 5 years all across North America. The program is also available to children ages 6 through 8 in some communities.

WHY? PJ Library books celebrate important aspects of Jewish culture, values and tradition, and become cherished bedtime stories.

HOW? Signing up is easy!
To sign up for PJ Library visit
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PJ Library is a gift from your Jewish community in partnership with local philanthropists and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation.

PJ Library

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Hadassah Book Club

Wednesday, April 9 - 7:15 p.m.

"The Innocents"

By Franceoca Segal

Host: Flory Silverstein

2930 Bonnell SE

East Grand Rapids

RSVP: 616-949-5766

Please call to let Flory know you will be coming for a count! Thank you for your courtesy!

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Jewish Women's Professional Network: We meet monthly for networking. All women are invited - whether working outside the home, thinking of returning to the workforce, in career transition, or a community volunteer. For more information, please email marnivyn@yahoo.com or phone 616-774-8644. **Wednesday April 2, 12:00 -1:00 p.m. ...Olive's ...2162 Wealthy St. EGR**

Jewish Community Business Forum

Thursday, April 24 12:00 -1:00 p.m.....El Barrio...545 Michigan NE

Everyone is Welcome! A good networking opportunity to discuss business principles and to stay aware of resources available in our community.



United Jewish School

Beit Sefer B'yahad/United Jewish School

1715 East Fulton Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Pam Rush School Director 616-459-5976 ext.12

pam@templemanuelgr.org www.unitedjewishschool.org



School News

9th grade is gearing up for the annual New York trip which will be May 1 to May 4

Revlon Run/Walk for Cancer May 3, 2014

The 9th grade will participate in the Revlon Run/Walk for cancer during their annual New York trip. They have a goal of \$1000. Please consider a donation to help.

Make checks payable to: EIF RRW and give to Pam or...

Donate online at: revlonrunwalk.org

Click on Pick Your City

Click on New York Run/Walk

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Scroll down, click on search for a team

Type in: United Jewish School

To learn more go to: revlonrunwalk.org

UJS Calendar

4-06-14 No school Spring Break

4-09-14 No school Spring Break

4-13-14 No school Spring Break

4-16-14 No school Passover 2nd Day



UJS Theme for the Month

הַכְּנֻסַת אֹרְחִים

Hachnasat Orchim is showing hospitality, making someone feel welcome. "Let your house be open wide. Treat the poor as members of your own family." (Pirke Avot 1:4)

In Jewish traditions hospitality to guests and strangers has

been elevated to one of the essential religious obligations. We show

hospitality when we invite someone to sit with us on the bus or at the lunch table, or when we stand up for someone who is being bullied.



We are still collecting eyeglasses, cell phones and children's books as a way to teach about recycling and taking care of the earth. There are bins in the school hall.

Please remember UJS in your contributions. We have a beautiful "Tribute" card that we can send to that special someone.

Congregation Ahavas Israel

Congregation Ahavas Israel wishes you a Happy and Kosher Pesach. Please join us for Festive Yom Tov services on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 14 and 15, and Monday and Tuesday, April 21 and 22 at 9:30 a.m. Yizkor will be recited on the final day of Passover.

Guide to Passover

The 2014 Rabbinical Assembly Pesach Guide, containing helpful information regarding kashrut for Passover, can be downloaded from the Religious Life section of the Ahavas Israel website. If you would like it emailed or mailed to you, please contact the synagogue office.

Mekhirat Hametz - Selling Hametz

If possible, all *hametz* -- leavened products, foods not acceptable during Pesach, or materials containing such unacceptable food -- should be destroyed or given away before the holiday begins. Should this be impossible, the *hametz* may be stored in such a way that we are sure not to use it during the holiday and its actual ownership is transferred to a non-Jew until the holiday ends. A form authorizing Rabbi Krishef to sell your *hametz* can be downloaded from AhavasIsraelGR.org (or contact the office for a printed copy). Please return it to Congregation Ahavas Israel by 12:00 noon on Monday, April 14. It is customary to make a donation to a Ma'ot Hittim fund at the time of *mekhirat hametz* to help others fulfill the mitzvah of Pesach

Temple Emanuel

Come Have Seder with Our Temple Congregational Community on the Second Night of Passover Tuesday, April 15 at 6:15 PM A celebration for all ages, with lots of participation and songs. Individual seder plates, homemade fish course, matzah ball soup, free range chicken or vegetarian option, homemade dessert
Non-Members of Temple \$24 for adults \$14 for children 10-18 No charge for children under the age of 10 RSVP by Tuesday, April 8 at 459-5976 or by sending a check to Temple at 1715 East Fulton Street, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Chabad House

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Click, Bond, Just Bond April 6th Happy Birthday to Us! Come celebrate the birth of our people and unite in friendship with special needs children. Taking a trip to see Detroit's Friendship Circle center.

To find out more about it this trip or R.S.V.P. call Chana @ [\(616\) 570-1742](tel:6165701742)

Join Chabad Kids Club around the world

Tuesday April 8th Passover in Egypt. Relive the story of Passover and celebrate our freedom from slavery. Location: Chabad of W Michigan 2615 Michigan NE Grand Rapids MI

Boys & Girls Ages 5-12 | Time: 4pm-6pm | \$10 per session (includes light dinner)

To book or for more info call Chana: [616-570-1742](tel:6165701742)

The Soul of the Seder

Join The Jewish Women's Circle of Grand Rapids for our exciting pre-Passover program.

Tuesday April 1, 2014
7:30 p.m.

At the home of Tina Merua, 2650 Hall St. SE

Cover charge: \$10

To RSVP or for more information please contact Nechamy at 616 828 2340 or Nechamy8@gmail.com

About the Jewish Women's Circle

The Jewish Women's Circle of Grand Rapids is an ever-growing group of women who come together to learn, laugh, socialize and discover the power of Jewish femininity in today's world.

Join us!

Join us for The Art of Temptation, featuring a special exhibition of paintings and sculpture from the Michael Hittleman Gallery of Los Angeles on Saturday, May 17 at 7:00 PM. Enjoy a celebration of the most tempting of the arts including culinary masterpieces from Kangaroo Catering, decadent pastry perfections from Silverberry Kitchen, the sweet sounds of music from Hall Street Musicians, and the drawing of the 2014 cash raffle winners. All works of art on display will be available for purchase with a portion of proceeds benefitting the Temple. Tickets \$18. Raffle tickets \$100. Contact the Temple office to RSVP.

Life cycle times, both happy and sad, are traditional times to make donations to Jewish causes. You can make a donation of \$10 or more to the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids in honor or in memory of members of our community. We then will acknowledge that donation with a card to that individual or family. This is a wonderful way to send your good wishes and be able to fulfill the mitzvah of tzedakah.

Please be sure to indicate what the occasion is and who is to receive the card. Please specify which of the following funds you would like your donation to be credited to:

Woman of Valor Fund (\$10 minimum contribution). To honor the women in our lives who have made a difference personally, locally or nationally.

Federation General Endowment/L'Dor Vador Fund. To help ensure the continued work of the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids for now and the future.

Julian and Judith Joseph Fund. To provide for local programming and events through the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids.

David and Susan Samrick Youth Scholarship Fund. To provide scholarships to Jewish sleep away camps and experiences.

Chuck and Maxine Shapiro Fund. To help ensure long-term aid to Israel and Jews around the world.

Louis and Louise Weiner Fund. To help ensure local programming for seniors in the Grand Rapids Jewish Community.

Jerry and Judy Subar Fund. To help ensure funding for overseas Jewish communities' needs.

Leven Family Fund. To establish and provide Jewish facilities, and support for cooperative programming among the congregations that support Jewish education for our youth.

Sam and Jane Kravitz Social Services Fund. To support Jewish social services in Grand Rapids.

Donna G. Boorstein Memorial Fund. To help ensure funding for Jewish arts, culture and history in Greater Grand Rapids.

Lois and Sheldon Kahn Health Help Fund. To support health services for Jewish community members not covered by other financial resources.

Thank you for supporting the Grand Rapids Jewish Community

The Louis & Louise Weiner Fund

- In memory of Irene Bach
- From Margit Sarne
- In memory of Miss Libby
- From Margit Sarne
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- From Margit Sarne
- In memory of Irene Bach
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