



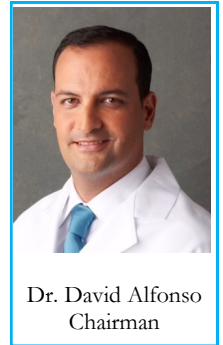
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# The Shofar

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As this article heads to print we are in the beginning of another exciting campaign season. We hope to build off of a successful campaign last year and hopefully increase the funds raised this year. Our goal is always to try and exceed last year's total if possible. We have a very generous community and I feel that the benefits of donating to Federation can be seen and felt throughout the year. We are very excited to offer our community a leadership mission opportunity to travel to Israel in June of 2018. You may have seen some of the promotions in *The Shofar*. The Federation is planning to have an event for the community to come and learn more about the trip with a representative from the travel agency. We will also be discussing subsidies that the Federation has available for eligible participants. The Federation staff and board members have worked very hard to organize and plan a very meaningful trip and I would encourage anyone who has an interest to attend the meeting on November 7 (see ad on page 2). The goal of our trip is to help foster leadership and enthusiasm within our community toward Israel, but also in regard to leadership within the community. The trip is a great combination of educational opportunities, as well as fun-filled sightseeing and touring this amazing country.



Dr. David Alfonso  
Chairman

I also wanted to encourage our community members to attend one of the many cultural events that the Federation helps to sponsor throughout the year. These are great opportunities to see some familiar faces and perhaps meet some new members of the Jewish community. We have been lucky over the past few years to have a new influx of Jewish families and individuals to the West Michigan community. Let's try to make them feel welcome and if possible help them to network and meet people of similar backgrounds and interests. I look forward to seeing many of you at some of the great events upcoming in our community.

Shalom,  
David Alfonso, Board Chairman

**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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**SAVE THE DATES - JUNE 17-25, 2018**  
**COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP MISSION TO ISRAEL**

**ISRAEL MISSION**  
**INFORMATIONAL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, November 7, 2017**  
**at 7:00pm at Ahavas Israel**

RSVP at Marisa@jfgr.org or call (616) 942-5553

Deepen your connection to Israel and its people on JFGR's 2018 Mission to Israel.

Join members of the Grand Rapids Jewish community and experience the extraordinary Land of Israel. This 10 day trip will inspire you through active adventure, engaging mind, body and spirit.

See firsthand the important life-changing work of the Federation in Israel. Learn how you too, can make an impact.

This mission promises extraordinary experiences, cultural discoveries, and overall, an astonishing journey.

Join us on November 7 at 7:00 pm for an informational session about our unique community mission. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Marisa at 616-942-5553 or Marisa@JFGR.org for further information, and to add your name to our list of interested participants.

Limited financial subsidies are available.



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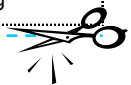
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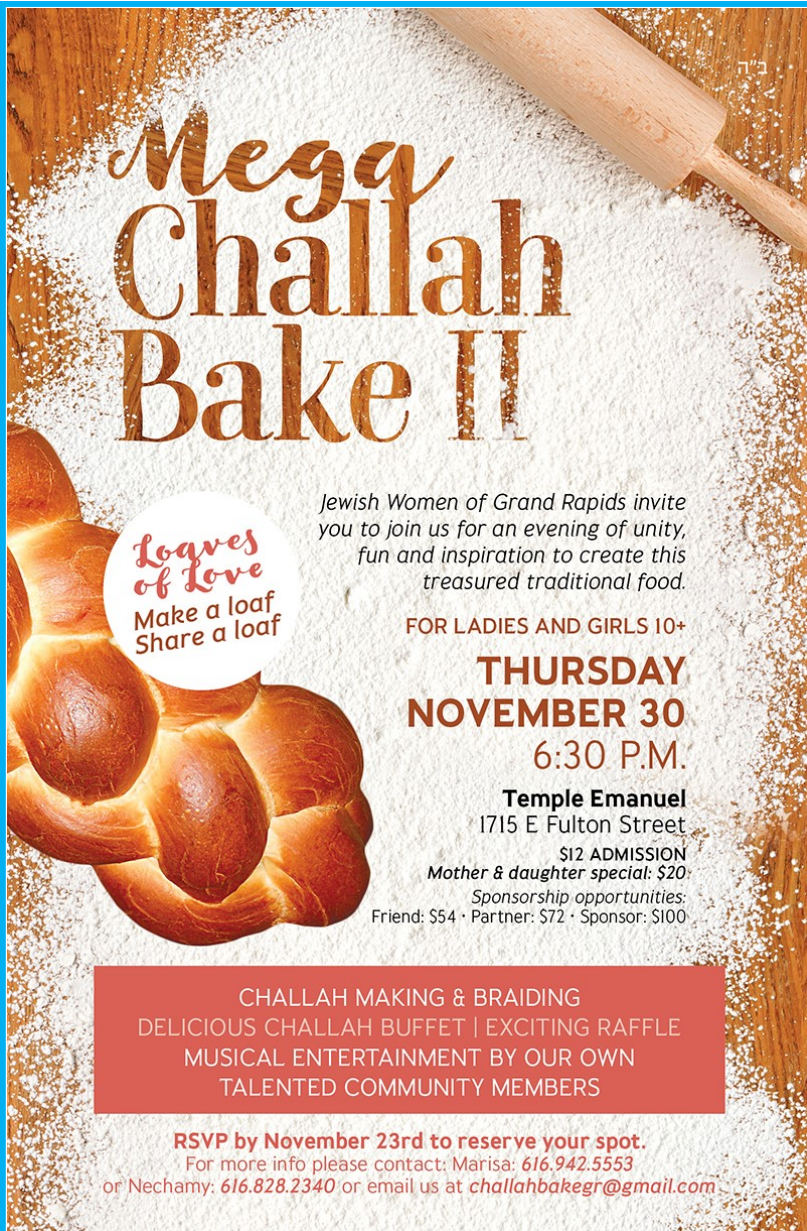
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**Mega Challah Bake II**

*Jewish Women of Grand Rapids invite you to join us for an evening of unity, fun and inspiration to create this treasured traditional food.*

**FOR LADIES AND GIRLS 10+**

**THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 30  
6:30 P.M.**

**Temple Emanuel**  
1715 E Fulton Street  
\$12 ADMISSION  
*Mother & daughter special: \$20*  
Sponsorship opportunities:  
Friend: \$54 • Partner: \$72 • Sponsor: \$100

*Leaves of Love*  
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RSVP by November 23rd to reserve your spot.  
For more info please contact: Marisa: 616.942.5553  
or Nechamy: 616.828.2340 or email us at [challahbakegr@gmail.com](mailto:challahbakegr@gmail.com)

**General Assembly  
November 12-14  
in Los Angeles**

Make your reservation by visiting [generalassembly.org](http://generalassembly.org)

The General Assembly brings together Federation volunteer leaders and professionals from across the continent, and those engaged in the business of Jewish philanthropy from around the globe.

At GA 2017, we'll venture further into the future of Jewish education, philanthropy, and our community — taking The Federation Movement farther than ever before. Join us for this seminal event.



**Jewish Business Network Lunch**

The Jewish Business Network, JBN, meets monthly for lunch on the third Thursday (except holidays) for networking and socializing. Throughout the year, we will occasionally invite guest speakers to present on relevant topics in our local and Jewish communities.

**Thursday, November 16**

**Guest Speaker Hal Ostrow, Michigan Israel Business Bridge (MIBB)**

**Palio Grand Rapids**

545 Michigan Street NE

12:00pm

We will have a private meeting room there to accommodate the speakers we have scheduled. There is ample free parking adjacent. If you use the parking ramp bring your ticket for validation at the restaurant.

Future dates: December 21, 2017 and January 18, 2018

West Michigan Academic Consortium Conference  
Kaufman Interfaith Institute

## Can Religions Collaborate for The Common Good?

*Aquinas College*

*1700 East Fulton St., Grand Rapids, MI 49506*

**Wednesday, November 8, 2017**

11:30am to 8:30pm

This conference will feature **R. Scott Appleby, Ph.D.**, as the keynote speaker. Dr. Appleby is the Dean of Notre Dame's Keough School of Global Affairs and an expert on global religion, focusing on its relationship to peace and conflict and integral human development. He is co-chairing the Chicago Council on Global Affairs' Task Force on Religion and the Making of U.S. Foreign Policy, which released the influential report, "Engaging Religious Communities Abroad: A New Imperative for U.S. Foreign Policy." Appleby's research examines various ways in which religious movements and organizations shape, and are shaped by national, regional and global dynamics of governance, deadly conflict, international relations and economic development.



**This conference is free and open to the public.**

Free online registration at [www.interfaithunderstanding.org](http://www.interfaithunderstanding.org)

For more information, please email [interfaith@gvsu.org](mailto:interfaith@gvsu.org) or call (616) 331-5702



**Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids, Chabad House of West Michigan,  
The United Jewish School**

**Invites the entire community to the annual**

## Chanukah Bowling Party

Note the new  
time this year

Meet friends, have lunch, enjoy bowling in a family atmosphere. Our entertaining emcee, Avi Forstein, will be there to keep the ball rolling.

This event is free for all children up to 18 years old.

Adults: \$6.00 for kosher lunch  
\$4.00 bowling and shoe rental

To RSVP and for additional information, call the Federation office: 616-942-5553 or email [info@jfgr.org](mailto:info@jfgr.org)

**Date: Sunday 12/17/2017**

**Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm**

**Location: 3335 Fairlanes Ave SW  
Grandville, MI 49418**



**Fairlanes**  
Family Entertainment Center

**Veterans Week Events at Temple Emanuel**

**Special Screening of Jewish Soldiers in Blue and Gray**

**Wednesday, November 8th**

**5:30 - Open House & Reception**

**6:30 - Screening**

**Dessert & discussion following the film**



Brother against brother, Jew against Jew, 10,000 Jewish soldiers fought in the nation's deadliest war. *Jewish Soldiers in Blue and Gray* explores the little known history of the Civil War Jews who fought on both sides of the battlefield, 7,000 for the Union and 3,000 for the Confederacy, unreeling General Ulysses S. Grant's infamous order expelling Jews from Kentucky, Tennessee and Mississippi; the rise of Judah P. Benjamin to Secretary of State of the Confederacy; and the imprisonment of Confederate spy Eugenia Levy Phillips

*This program has been underwritten by the Peg & Mort Finkelstein Archives at Temple Emanuel, the Jack & Genevieve Finkelstein Archives at Congregation Ahavas Israel, and the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids.*

**Shabbat Service Honoring Veterans**

**Friday, November 10th at 6:15pm**

We will recognize our many veterans, both past and present. If you have served in the military, please contact the Temple office so that we can be sure to include you in our service.

**Peg & Mort Finkelstein Archives Open House**

**Sunday, November 12th 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM**

Explore the collections in our archives, research your family history, or learn more about the history of Grand Rapids. Our award-winning archives have a wealth of information. Please take time to enjoy the many displays throughout the building that honor the military service of Grand Rapids' Jews.

**Oakhill Cemetery Tour**

**Sunday, November 12th at 11:30 AM**

Join us for an historic look at our Oakhill Cemetery. We will explore the monuments and the lives that they commemorate, as well as the rich history of the cemetery that surrounds them, with special attention to the Civil War era graves in section 7. Meet at the Houseman/Amberg family mausoleum in section 7, the south-west corner of the cemetery. Oakhill Cemetery is located at 647 Hall Street SE, on the north side between Eastern and Union Avenues.



**Betzalel Art Group**

Thursdays, 2:30pm - 4:00pm

Ahavas Israel

Have some art fun with any painting or craft you enjoy doing.

It's open to everyone.

Please bring your own art or craft supplies, as they are not provided.

For further information

Contact

Pat Weller: 616-453-2954 or patandfred@tds.net



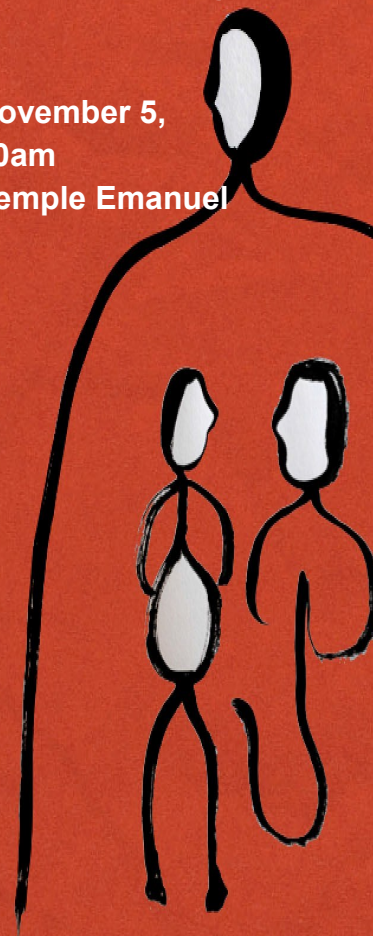
**Louis and Helen Padnos Lecture Series**

Sarra Lev, Visiting Professor, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College

***Deconstructing the Binary, or not?***

November 5,  
10am  
Temple Emanuel

In 1993 biologist Anne Fausto-Sterling exalted rabbinic culture, writing: "Jewish religious texts such as the... Tosefta list extensive regulations for people of mixed sex ...Judaic law provided a means for integrating hermaphrodites into mainstream culture..." But is this an accurate assessment of the Tosefta text to which Fausto-Sterling is referring? This lecture explores the question "does the category of androgynous as defined by Tosefta Bikkurim offer us a new look at gender, or does it, once again, confine us to a binary system of male and female?"



# BETWEEN THE LINES

## Voices of Israel: STORIES UNTOLD

Come hear the stories of two inspiring young Israelis - their struggles, their successes, their military service, and their hopes and dreams. Ask the tough questions, and learn what it is actually like to live in a country that is the subject of so much discussion in the media and on campus.

### Meet Our Israelis

Join us Thursday November 2, 2017 | 5:15pm | Ahavas Israel

Light refreshments



**Shir**, 26 years old, grew up in Gush-Katif, Gaza until the disengagement in 2005. Today she lives in the southern Israeli village of Beer-Ganim, and studies Law at the College of Management Law School. Before her

StandWithUs Israel Fellowship in 2014, Shir served in the Israel Defense Forces as a First Lieutenant in the ground forces as a "war room" operator on the northern border with Gaza, where she continues to serve as a reservist. Shir recently returned from Africa from a Colman Student Union Delegation to aid children in need. For the past two years she has worked as Administrative Legal Director at Tmura Center, a Legal Center for the promotion of equality. She represents victims of discrimination and bias.



**Carlos** was born in Bogota, Colombia. He attended the Jewish day school. Similar to most other Latin American children, Carlos grew up playing soccer and hanging out with friends. Due to the

security situation in Colombia, he moved with his family to Miami. Upon graduating, Carlos immigrated to Israel and joined the Israel Defense Forces' Paratroopers Brigade. Carlos studied film at Tel Aviv University, and after finishing his studies, he worked and traveled in Latin America and eastern Asia. He found his passion for Israel activism and diplomacy during his time as a StandWithUs Fellow and continues to stand up for Israel any chance he can get. Carlos lives in Tel Aviv and enjoys surfing in his free time.

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TOUR



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## Black Friday. Cyber Monday.

# #GIVINGTUESDAY™

## NOVEMBER 28, 2017

On November 28th, the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids will participate in a national initiative called GivingTuesday. Its timing is after Black Friday, Small Business Saturday, and Cyber Monday, all of which help retail merchants' bottom line. The purpose of GivingTuesday is to help charities do the same thing. 92Y conceptualized GivingTuesday as a way of linking individuals and causes to strengthen communities and encourage giving. Truly a very Jewish concept! Thank you for joining us in this global conversation.

## Now infant through age 12! Thank you to the Ravitz Foundation and Rosenzweig-Coopersmith Foundation

### WHAT?

PJ Library® in Grand Rapids offers the gift of free, high quality Jewish books and music each month to children ages 6 months through 12 years all across North America.

### WHY?

Our books celebrate important aspects of Jewish culture, values and tradition, and become cherished stories.

### HOW?

Signing up is easy! To sign up for PJ Library, visit [www.pjlibrary.org](http://www.pjlibrary.org)

PJ Library in Grand Rapids is a gift from Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids in partnership with Ravitz Foundation, Rosenzweig-Coopersmith Foundation and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation.



## Hadassah Book Club

*Our Next Meeting is:*

**When:** Wednesday, November 8, 2017

**Where:** Diane Broomberg  
2865 Lake Drive SE  
Phone: 616-949-6084

**Time:** 7:00pm

Please call Diane to RSVP ..

**Book to read:** *Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly

Book available at Schuler Books on 28th Street, or your library for a copy. We are as always your loyal bookends, Sue Remes 616-949-3505  
Flory Silverstein 616-949-5766



## The next Senior Lunch Bunch will be December 14th.

Watch this space for  
where we will do  
lunch!





Beit Sefer B'yahad /  
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1715 East Fulton Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
Hasia Monselise School Director 616-459-5976

[UJShasiamonselise@gmail.com](mailto:UJShasiamonselise@gmail.com) [www.unitedjewishschool.org](http://www.unitedjewishschool.org)

**UJS Calendar**

- November 5 -** Padnos lecture / Jewish Book Month
- November 12 -** Mystery guest for book month
- November 19 -** Mystery guest for book month
- November 22 -** No midweek - Thanksgiving break
- November 26 -** No Sunday School - Thanksgiving break

**I can't believe that it is already November!!!!**

It's Jewish Book Month! Everyone is invited to read for trees in November. For every book read, a donation will be made to the Jewish National Fund to plant trees in Israel. To celebrate Jewish book Month, we are very excited to have some special guest readers from the community who will read to the Sunday School children.



Our students enjoyed visiting the Sukkah and shaking the Lulav and Etrog last month.



UJS could use cd's and baby-food jars



(or similar in size)

for their Art Projects



**UJS Board:**

The school board is comprised of representatives from Ahavas Israel and Temple Emanuel.  
Allyson Strauss co chair  
Alison Bernstein co-chair  
Rhonda Pappas  
Rick Rinzler  
Paula Miller  
Elisabeth Rosewall  
Heidi Levy  
Liz Samrick

**Pre CHANUKA Z'Miria Jewish Music Festival**  
**DECEMBER 3RD**  
**11:45 AM-12:30 PM**  
**Temple Emanuel**

**What's Happening Jewish Grand Rapids**

**November 2017 Calendar of Events**

1	JLI class at Chabad house 7:30pm
2	<b>*Between the Lines - meet with 2 Israeli IDF Soldiers at Ahavas Israel 5:15pm</b>
5	Padnos Lecture at Temple Emanuel 10:00am
6	Intro to Judaism course at Ahavas Israel 7:00pm
7	<b>*Israel Mission Trip Meeting at Ahavas Israel at 7:00pm</b>
8	Kaufman Interfaith Institute Conference At Aquinas College 11:30am to 8:30pm
8	Veterans Program info p. 5
10	CTeen Shabbat dinner at Chabad 6:15pm
12	<b>*General Assembly in Los Angeles Limited JFGR office hours Nov 12 thru 15</b>
16	<b>*Jewish Business Lunch at Palio Grand Rapids 12:00pm</b>
18	Temple Emanuel Deli Night 6:30pm
19	CTeen at Chabad 1:00pm - 3:00pm CTeen Jr. 4:00pm-6:00pm
21	Chabad Kids Club 4:30pm -6:00pm
22	No Midweek for UJS- Thanksgiving break
23	Happy Thanksgiving - JFGR office closed
26	No Sunday School - Thanksgiving break
27	Beit Midrash Dinner at Ahavas Israel 5:30pm
28	<b>#GivingTuesday</b>

\* is a Jewish Federation sponsored event.

Editor's Note – 'What's Happening' is a calendar that includes Jewish programming open to all members of our West Michigan Jewish community, whether offered by Federation, one of our congregations, cultural organizations, or others. More information about these events can be found in *The Shofar*, on the Federation website, or from the other Jewish organizations.

## Temple Emanuel

### Brisket and Latkes at Temple

We invite the Grand Rapids community to join us for the 8th night of Chanukah, Tuesday December 19, for dinner and some wonderful music. We are pleased to announce the musicians from Beit Tefillah Israeli will be joining us for candle lighting and for a concert following dinner.

Musicians from Beit Tefillah Israeli are embarking on a Chanukah tour, and we have the wonderful opportunity to host them on the last night of the holiday. These musicians are part of a liberal community in Tel Aviv that has taken this city by storm. During Sukkot they built one of the largest sukkahs in all of Israel. During the summer they worship outside by the Mediterranean Sea. Rabbi Schadick heard them during his sabbatical in the summer of 2016.

We ask everyone to bring a menorah and nine candles to light at 6:00pm. Our guests will sing with us as we begin the final night of Chanukah. Dinner begins at 6:15pm. At 7:00pm these musicians will sing for us as we celebrate together.

Dinner is brisket and latkes, salad and dessert. There is a vegetarian option. There is also a "kosher brisket option" for those who keep kosher. This brisket will be prepared at the Chabad House. The cost for dinner is \$20 for adults, \$10 for children under the age of 13, and there is no charge for children under the age of 6. Please contact the office at 616-459-5976 to RSVP. The deadline is Friday, December 15.

### Temple Emanuel Deli Night

Jewish Food for the Soul

Saturday, November 18

6:30 PM-Appetizers  
7:00 PM-Dinner  
8:00 PM-Entertainment and Dessert

**\$36**

RSVP Deadline-Tuesday, November 14  
Contact the office with your reservation  
616-459-5976

Knishes  
Kosher Hot Dosa in Blintzlets  
Chopped Liver  
Matzah Ball Soup  
Kosher-style Corned Beef  
Kosher Salsami  
Turkey Breast  
Half Sour Pickles and Tomatoes  
Potato Salad  
Cole Slaw  
Rugelach  
Black and White Cookies

50/50 Raffle

A variety of musical acts by our talented Temple members  
Friends, relatives, neighbors, are all most welcome to come



## Ahavas Israel

**Kabbalat Shabbat** Join Ahavas Israel for a traditional Kabbalat Shabbat service on the first Shabbat of the month at 6:00pm, starting November 3. If you have never welcomed Shabbat with Kabbalat Shabbat, a service deeply rooted in the mystical tradition, please join us to learn about it.

**Introduction to Judaism Course** Ahavas Israel's annual Introduction to Judaism course begins on Monday, November 6, 7:00pm -8:15pm, meeting most Monday nights for 18 sessions. Contact Rabbi Krishef (rabbi@ahavasisraelgr.org) for more information, a copy of the syllabus, or to register. The syllabus is also available from AhavasIsrael.org under Adult Jewish Engagement.

**Beit Midrash Dinners** The Beit Midrash dinner will return on Monday, November 27. Part social, part learning, Rabbi Krishef invites you to drop by the synagogue beginning at 5:30pm for dinner and Torah. After dinner, grab some books from the library- Torah, commentaries, Midrash, Mishnah, Talmud, Zohar or anything that strikes your fancy and dive in. You might come with a study partner, you might find a partner who wants to learn with you once you arrive. Rabbi Krishef will be here to help you find something to study, help you if you get stuck, or maybe even be your Havruta (study partner) for a bit. There is no charge (donations to defray the cost will be gratefully accepted), but RSVP's are required (rabbi@ahavasisraelgr.org or 616-949-2840) so he can prepare enough food.



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### Family Fun Night!

**Who:** The entire Jewish community is welcome to join us - the more the merrier!

**What:** We have rented out the Mary Free Bed YMCA for a night of sports, and FUN (tennis, basketball volleyball rock climbing wall, pools and more).

**Where:** Mary Free Bed YMCA  
5500 Burton St. SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

**When:** December 3rd, 6:15pm

**Why:** To engage our Jewish community.

**Cost:** \$5/ person (max: \$20/family)

**RSVP:** Stephanie Jesin, cell: 616-633-5309  
email: stephaniejessin@gmail.com

This program has been made possible by a generous grant from the Ravitz Foundation and the support of Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids.

**Chabad House****JLI ~ "Great Debates in Jewish History"**

*Debate is not only encouraged within Judaism but resides at the very heart of our history and theology. Great Debates in Jewish History explores six fundamental conflicts that pitted the greatest Jewish minds against each other—six instances of divergent perspectives, including several that are still debated today.*

Please join us for a remarkable six-week course from the Rohr Jewish Learning Institute.

To register today, visit myJLI.com

**Six Wednesday Evenings 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. |**

**Beginning November 1<sup>st</sup> 2017**

At the Chabad House 2615 Michigan St. NE Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506

Fee: \$99 (textbook included)

\$180 Sponsor

For more Info or to register, please contact Rabbi Mordechai at 269.903.2770 or

Rabbihaller@chabadwestmichigan.com

**CTeen Grand Rapids Upcoming Events in November:**

**The place for ALL Jewish high school teens!**

Part of the Fastest Growing Teen Network in the World!

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> – TGIS** (Thank G-d it's Shabbat)

Shabbat Dinner – Delicious foods, challah and good times with friends are waiting for you at the Weingarten's!

Candle lighting **5:06pm**, Dinner **6:15pm**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> – 1:00-3:00PM**

CTeen Day ~ Food Drive ~ Let's give thanks and help the homeless in time for Thanksgiving!

**CTeen Junior**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> 2017 • 4:00-6:00PM**

Enrich your Jewish Pride & Explore Essential Milestones within the Jewish Lifecycle while giving back to the Community.

Bar/Bat Mitzvah #JoinTheClub #Barmitzvah #Batmitzvah #souls

Giving back to widows & orphans #colelchabad

For more information please contact Rivka

@616.206.9654

**Chabad Kids Club**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> 2017 • 4:30 - 6:00PM**

Totally Torah- Learn how a Torah is written, by a

professional Sofer (scribe).

Chabad kids club is a place for Jewish children to have a great time, be proud of their Judaism & make a difference!

For Jewish girls & boys ages 5-11

For more information or to RSVP for CTeen, CTeen Junior & Kids Club, please contact Rivka at 616.206.9654

**Mega Challah Bake!**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> 2017 • 7:30PM**

Join women and girls from the entire community for an evening of Jewish pride, unity and inspiration.

**CAMP GAN ISRAEL WINTER CAMP**

**DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> & 26<sup>TH</sup> | 10:00am – 4:00pm**

Why wait for summer to experience the excitement of camp Gan Israel?! Bring the fun of Gan Izzy right into your winter break! Camp activities include: Games, cooking, outdoor fun, crafts, sports, Awesome Chanukah and CGI activities, hunts and more!!

For Jewish children ages 5-12 | \$60 both days (including a hot lunch) For more information call Rivka @616-206-9654



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marisa@jfgr.org or 616-942-5553

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** 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.

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