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# The Shofar

## JFGR Statement on Iran Deal

*(originally issued on July 31, 2015)*

In response to the recent agreement between the United States and Iran regarding nuclear proliferation the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids joins numerous other Federations throughout the country in expressing significant concerns regarding its content, and encourages the Administration, which worked admirably and tirelessly in pursuit of this deal, to negotiate a deal that requires Iran to dismantle its nuclear program before obtaining sanctions relief. While we are not nuclear experts, we must recognize that a sizable and diverse number of authorities have stated that, for a variety of reasons, this deal fails to meet the most basic objectives originally set forth to prevent Iran from becoming a nuclear power.

History has taught us that the safety and self-determination of the Jewish people cannot be left up to the goodwill and false promises of rogue nations. This agreement does not allow for “anytime” or “anywhere” inspections of nuclear facilities, and it does not require Iran to reveal its prior illicit nuclear program—a program that violated countless UN Security Council resolutions. It allows Iran to gain access to intercontinental ballistic missile technology, which equally threatens New York and Tel Aviv, as well as \$150 billion of frozen assets before it even takes minimal steps towards compliance. Iran, which has repeatedly lied about its nuclear activities in the past, will now have time to disguise non-compliant activity before allowing international inspectors into nuclear sites.

The safety of Americans, Israelis, and our Middle Eastern allies would be threatened under this agreement, as Iran’s neighbors seek their own nuclear weapons and unleash a nuclear arms race in the world’s most volatile region. History has shown us that regimes that sponsor terror throughout the world and call for the destruction of the United States and Israel simply cannot be taken at face value to comply with any agreement. Iran must earn the world’s trust before the international community rewards them with economic relief and legitimacy on the world’s diplomatic stage.

Proponents of this deal claim that our choice is this deal or war. We feel that the alternative is a better deal that would not legitimize Iran as a threshold nuclear state nor accept temporary constraints. Nothing short of an outright dismantling of the nuclear infrastructure should be acceptable to the global community.

We also note that not only do Iran’s neighbors oppose the deal but a broad spectrum of elected Israeli leaders as well, including both Prime Minister Netanyahu and Opposition leader Herzog. We look to these leaders as examples of rising above partisan politics on such a monumental issue. We recognize that there are diverse views within our community, but ultimately this issue must remain about policy, not politics, and allow us to demonstrate moral clarity, unity, and resolve when advocating for Israel, the United States, and Peace.

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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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# IRAN NUCLEAR DEAL

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Click on **Update: Iran Nuclear Agreement link** on our website



Have you ever thought about contributing to, or setting up, a **L'dor Vador Endowment Fund** to help ensure the future of our Jewish community?

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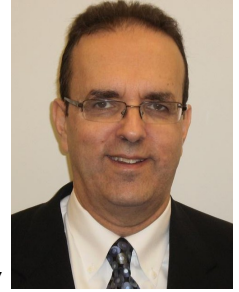
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**Executive Director's Letter**

Dear Friends,

Ami Ayalon. Yitzhak Ben-Yisrael. Efraim Halevy. Dov Tamari. Amos Yadlin. Israel Ziv.

All of the above are retired senior leaders of Israeli military, intelligence and security organizations. I suspect most of you have not heard of them.

I had not either, that is until I read an online article in the *Jewish Daily Forward* dated July 23, 2015. One other person was discussed in the article you may have heard of: Ehud Barak, the former Israeli prime minister and defense minister, among other senior positions he has held with the Israeli government. Many of you may recall Mr. Barak's 2002 visit to Grand Rapids.

The article was entitled "Israel Security Establishment Breaks with Bibi on Iran Deal." It gave the backgrounds of the other six men as follows: Mr. Ayalon – former director of Shin Bet, Israel's domestic security agency; Mr. Ben-Yisrael – chair of the Israeli science ministry's R&D council; Mr. Halevy – former director of the Mossad; Mr. Tamari – the "near-legendary" architect of Israeli military intelligence; Mr. Yadlin – former chief of military intelligence; and Mr. Ziv – former chief of military operations.

In other words, not a group "loyal to Obama", the code phrase currently in vogue to accuse American Jews of being anti-Israel – an odd twist on the old 'dual loyalty' charge - for either being in favor of, or uncertain about, the Iran deal.

Their views on the Iran nuclear deal ranged from "bad" (Barak) to "not bad at all" (Ben-Yisrael). The consensus view was summarized by Yadlin, "The agreement isn't good, but Israel can deal with it." I encourage you to search online for the article and read it for yourself (if you need help finding it, please email me at [mike@ifgr.org](mailto:mike@ifgr.org) and I'll send you the link).

Jewish-American opinion appears to be split on the Iran nuclear deal. The *Jewish Journal*, a well regarded Los Angeles newspaper, found in a nationwide poll a week after the deal was announced that 49% of American Jews were in favor of the Iran deal, and 31% opposed. Based on what I've heard in the Grand Rapids Jewish community, I sense there is a similar split. To acknowledge these substantive differences of opinion, I believe we could have strengthened the JFGR Statement on Iran Deal (see the front page of this *Shofar*) by including in it, along the lines of thinking of the above all-star lineup of Israeli security leaders, this question: *Is it more likely for Iran to get a nuclear bomb with or without this (lousy) deal?*

Finally, I'd like to address the political climate in which we find ourselves. Too many proponents of the nuclear deal are saying that opponents are warmongers. Too many opponents of the deal are saying proponents are Neville Chamberlain-like appeasers. A presidential candidate actually made a comment that the deal would march Israelis to the "door of the oven." This is fear mongering at its worst, and makes it extremely difficult to have an honest debate with sound reasoning. Frankly, it reminds me of the atmosphere in the run up to the Iraq War in 2002-03, when loud, angry voices challenged others' patriotism to stifle debate and, as we now know, led to poor decision making by our elected leaders. The same can be said for implying a Jew is more loyal to Israel than the U.S. or, on the other hand, questioning a Jew's support for Israel if they do not vehemently oppose the nuclear deal.

I don't know whether the louder or quieter voices this time are right, so I continue to look for more information to answer the question above in italics. While I understand those opposed are fearful for the U.S. and Israel, so am I. That's why I feel strongly that we need to lower the temperature and provide space for rational discussion and (hopefully) wise decision making. A basic Jewish value is demonstrating respect for others, to listen and carefully consider other points of view. I hope I am loud and clear on this point.

Best wishes to you and your family. L'shana tova tikatevu.

Mike  
[mike@ifgr.org](mailto:mike@ifgr.org)



## Let's Welcome Leigh!

Hello, my name is Leigh Rapaport. I am a native of Grand Rapids, and grew up as an active member and participant in the Jewish community. I attended Indiana University before transferring to Gratz College, and studied Religious Studies. During this time, I also volunteered at the Jewish Federation offices when I was home in Grand Rapids. After a brief internship in a not-for-profit arts organization in Washington, DC, I came back to Grand Rapids. In addition to working, I helped run teen programming co-sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit, as well as resumed my role as volunteer with the Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids. The East Coast was my next stop, where I worked part-time as an educator in various synagogues around Manhattan and Long Island before landing a full-time position at Stephen Wise Free Synagogue, a Reform congregation located on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. My roles varied during my time at SWFS – Administrative Assistant, Family Programming, and finally Assistant Director of Education for the Religious School. I loved my time in New York, but found myself missing the Midwest lifestyle. This led to me making the decision to leave New York and relocate back to Grand Rapids, where I am also working at Real-time Perspectives. I am excited to be back in the community that I grew up in and be a part of some of the great traditions of our community, and bring in some new and exciting ideas! I look forward to connecting with the Jewish community members. Please feel free to stop by the office or call to say hello!



### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT JFGR!

Some members in our community need rides! They struggle to get groceries, go to a medical appointment, etc. Might you be willing to drive a senior on an 'as needed basis'? Gas reimbursement cards are available.

We also need help with a special publication project. Call Ann for more information about volunteering for the Jewish Community Roster. This would be a great opportunity for someone wanting to sharpen their marketing or publications skills.

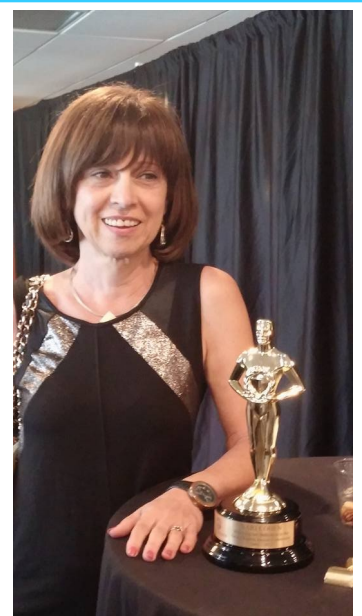
For more information or to volunteer your time, please call Ann at 942-5553 ext. 206.



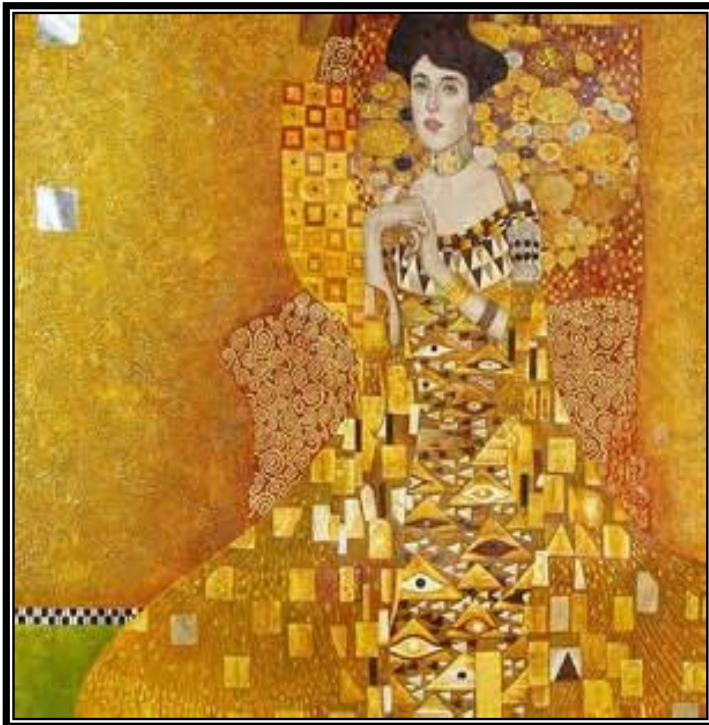
## A Farewell for Sari!

An Oscar-worthy event 😊 was held at Celebration Cinema! North on July 30. We said our good-byes to Sari Cohen after 15 years with the Jewish Federation.

Thank you to all the members of the community who came out to wish her and her husband Boaz well on their next adventure.



## Jewish Federation Community Event



Gustav Klimt's portrait of The Woman in Gold, Adele Block-Bauer

**Thursday, October 8, 2015**

**7:30 pm**

LaFontsee Galleries

833 Lake Drive SE

Special Guest Speaker  
**Donald S. Burris**



**Presents**

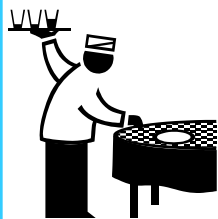
### ***The Story Behind the Woman in Gold***

Donald Burris heads the law firm Burris, Schoenberg & Walden, depicted in this year's film, *Woman in Gold*. The movie tells the fascinating true story of Maria Altmann, an octogenarian Jewish refugee, who takes on the Austrian government to recover her family's artwork that was looted by the Nazis in World War II.

Donald Burris is a leading expert in the pursuit of art stolen by the Nazis. A Brooklyn, New York native, and graduate of Georgetown Law School, he served as special counsel to the Senate Watergate Committee. Mr. Burris is an international lawyer and litigator based in California.

RSVP [info@jfgf.org](mailto:info@jfgf.org) or 616.942.5553.

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# Seniors Annual Apples & Honey Luncheon

Place: Doubletree by Hilton near Grand Rapids Airport

Date: Thursday, September 10th

Time: 11:30 am

Cost: \$15

**RSVP by September 7th to Ann at 616-942-5553**

*Transportation is also available by calling Ann*



**Menu:** **Citrus Salmon** ~ (Bay of Fundy Salmon with Citrus Cream) **OR Pasta Primavera**  
with Fresh Garden Salad, Warm Rolls with Butter and Chef's Choice Starch  
**Dessert:** Michigan Honey Cheesecake with Cinnamon Apple Chutney,  
and of course apples to dip in honey!

## Entertainment:

**"Smiling after Sixty"** presented by

**Judy Kay Schreur**

Humorist, Motivational Speaker, Author;  
Professional Manager (retired),  
but most of all, Real Person.

Whether writing about marriage and

relationships, or speaking to thousands in a sports arena,

Judy is real, honest, direct, truthful and powerful. Her humor and

expertise have helped thousands of people across America find joy in their journey.

Judy is always funny, always poignant, always motivational as she shows us how to be **Smiling after Sixty**,  
**Celebrate Life** and what to do when **Prince Charming Falls Off His Horse**.

She speaks from both heart and mind as she teaches men and women that

**Life in the Laughter Lane** can bring enjoyment to the most difficult home or workplace.

Judy is co-author of **When Prince Charming Falls off His Horse** and **Creative Grandparenting**.

She has been on radio and television programs across the country, and has been a

featured speaker at the Time Out for Women National Conference.



## Jewish Theatre Matinee Outing

### **Becoming Doctor Ruth**

by Marc St. Germain  
September 20, 2015  
in the Black Box Theatre  
3:00 pm

Cost is \$15.

Seating will be limited as this play is in the Black Box Theater.  
PLEASE RSVP with Ann, 616-942-5553 by Wednesday,  
September 16th. We will meet at Temple Emanuel at 2:15 to  
carpool to the theater.



## SAVE THESE DATES

For Future Lunch  
Bunches...

- **October 15 - tbd**
- **November 19 - tbd**
- **December 10  
(Chanukah lunch)**

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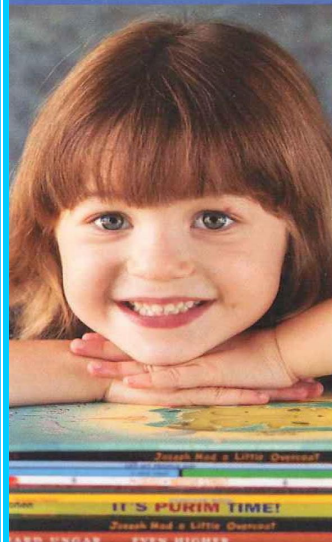
**Shir Shalom Begins  
It's 35th Season!**

Our Shir Shalom Chorus is excited to begin its 35th season. This Jewish Community Chorus plays an important part in our West Michigan area by sharing our Jewish musical heritage with our audiences whether they be general or Jewish. We have openings for new singers to share in the fun. Please consider joining us this season. We welcome all who want to have a fun musical experience. For more information all Toby Dolinka 616-949-6528.



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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 8 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 [www.pjlibrary.org](http://www.pjlibrary.org).

PJ Library is a gift from your Jewish community in partnership with local philanthropists and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation.



[www.PJLIBRARY.org](http://www.PJLIBRARY.org)

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**Save the Date:**

**Sunday, November 15**  
Cultural Council's first event of  
the season!

**Voices of the  
Generations**

Julie Kohner has been a Jewish educator for over 30 years, with a master's degree in educational counseling. After Julie's mother, Hanna, a Holocaust survivor, passed away in 1990, Julie created a program that would teach the history of the Holocaust to her 7th grade b'nai mitzvah classes. Her goal was to teach the Holocaust as seen through the eyes of her mother. This was the beginning of *Voices of the Generations*, a unique and personal approach to Holocaust education.



Julie Kohner

Julie teaches the Holocaust through its impact on one family, from the millions devastated by those events of the Twentieth Century. Hanna and Walter's story lives on through their only child, Julie.

Please join Hospice of Michigan  
on Wednesday, September 9 from 6-9 p.m. at  
the Amway Grand Plaza Ambassador Ballroom for  
**A Celebration of Life and Love**

recognizing

**Rabbi Albert M. Lewis**

a founder who has demonstrated extraordinary commitment,  
leadership and dedication to Hospice of Michigan

Tickets are \$100 per plate with all proceeds benefitting Hospice of Michigan. To purchase tickets  
contact Barbara Anderson at 616-356-5266 or [banderso@hom.org](mailto:banderso@hom.org)

**MISSION TO ISRAEL!**

*Are you thinking of going on a trip to Israel?*

The Jewish Federation of Grand Rapids is in the process of organizing a mission to Israel. We would like to invite anyone interested to meet and brainstorm possible dates and areas of interest.

If you are interested, please contact our office:

[616-942-5553](tel:616-942-5553) or [info@jfgr.org](mailto:info@jfgr.org)



**Betzalel Art Group**  
**Thursdays, 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.**  
**Ahavas Israel**  
**Classroom #1**

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. Please come and enjoy.

For further information contact Pat Weller  
616-453-2954 or [patandfred@tds.net](mailto:patandfred@tds.net)

**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](mailto:marnivyn@yahoo.com) or phone 616-774-8644



**Wednesday, September 2**

**12:00 p.m.**

**Olives**

2162 Wealthy St SE

**Corners of the Field Garden needs your help!**

We need volunteers to help us pick produce on a regular or one-time basis.

If you are interested please contact  
Allyson Strauss: 616-406-6536  
[garden@ahavasisraelgr.org](mailto:garden@ahavasisraelgr.org)



**Jewish Community Business Forum**

**Thursday, September 17**

**12:00 -1:00 p.m.**

**El Barrio Restaurant**

**545 Michigan NE**



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



Beit Sefer B'yahad/United Jewish School  
1715 East Fulton, Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
Pam Rush, School Director 616-459-5976  
pam@templemanuelgr.org

Opening Day  
September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015



## Calendar

- September 20** UJS Opening Day  
**September 30** 1<sup>st</sup> day of midweek located at Ahavas Israel  
**October 4** Marc Rossio/Blessing of Pets/Sukkah visits

Enrollment is OPEN

Register at

[www.unitedjewishschool.org](http://www.unitedjewishschool.org)

### Opening Day Schedule

**9:30 am** - Meet the teachers, kibbitz with friends, have a nosh, and listen to the musical sounds of the band "Chutzpah".

**10:00 am** – Students head off to class

Sign-up to volunteer for different school events.  
Get involved!!!!

- Mitzvah day
- School wide 'mock' Passover Seder
- Volunteer safety and security group

### Why parents should get involved:

**Better behavior.** Kids develop better social skills and show improved behavior when their parents are involved at school.

**Improved education.** Research shows that parent involvement can help improve the quality of schools, raise teacher morale, and improve a school's reputation in the community. Involved parents gain the respect of teachers; as a result, teachers have higher expectations of their children. Involvement pays off in the long term.

**Increased confidence.** When students feel supported at home and school, they develop more positive attitudes about school, have more self-confidence, and place a higher priority on academic achievement. Children of involved parents are more likely to feel that they're accepted, included, and respected and at school.

**Parents benefit, too.** When parents become involved in their children's education, they become more comfortable in the school building, gain confidence in their parenting skills, and feel more capable of helping their children learn. They're also more likely to continue their own education.

## UJS Theme for the year – Mitzvah Madness

## Congregational

### *Temple Emanuel*

#### September Salad Supper!

Join us for a pot-luck salad supper following services on Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. Bring a vegetarian/dairy salad or dessert to share. Too busy to whip something up? For \$3 per person you can pull up a chair and dig in! RSVP to Sylvia Herman at 438-7697 or [sylviaherman@hotmail.com](mailto:sylviaherman@hotmail.com) to let her know that she can count on you bringing a salad.

#### Birthday Dinner for June Horowitz & Lillian Klein.

Join us for a Special Pre-Service Birthday Dinner to celebrate the 102<sup>nd</sup> birthdays of June Horowitz and Lillian Klein at 5:00 PM on Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Suggested donation \$5 per person. All are welcome RSVP to the

Temple office by 5 PM on Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Can't come to dinner? Join us for birthday cake at the Oneg Shabbat following services!

**The next Beer City Pub Crawl will be on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.** We will be pedaling the **Great Lakes Pub Cruiser**, the 15-person bike. We will meet at The Cottage Bar at 6:00 for a quick drink at a classic GR watering hole and then starting at 6:30 we will pedal the bike through some of the ArtPrize high points and end up at Rockwell's for another quick drink before pedaling back! RSVP to Cathrin at the Temple office 459-5976—Space is limited to the first 15 to RSVP, only 10 seats have pedals, so if you want to sit back and be taken for a ride, you can do that!

## *Temple Emanuel - cont'd.*

### **Detroit Lions Trip!**

Join us for a road trip to the Detroit Lions' home game with the Arizona Cardinals on Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Our coach will depart from the Temple parking lot at 12:30 for the trip to Ford Field in Detroit. Kickoff is at 4:05 PM. After the game our bus will return us to the Temple parking lot at approximately 8:30 PM, depending on how long the game lasts. \$50 per person for members, \$90 for non-members, includes your lower level end zone ticket to the game and round-trip transportation. Space is limited to the first 28 people to RSVP. Tickets must be paid for by 5 PM on Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. We thank the Tom & Mickie Fox Family Fund for underwriting this excursion!

## *Congregation Ahavas Israel*

Saturday, September 5 - Selihot

**Selihot program - 9:45 p.m., followed by the Selihot service at about 11:30 p.m.** Join us to watch "Nicky's Children," a docudrama telling the story of Nicholas Winton, an Englishman who organized the rescue of 669 Czech and Slovak children just before the outbreak of World War II. Winton, who died recently at the age of 106, did not speak about these events with anyone for more than half a century. His exploits would have probably been forgotten if his wife, fifty years later, hadn't found a suitcase in the attic, full of documents and transport plans. Dozens of Winton's "children" have been found and to this day his family has grown to almost 6,000 people, many of whom have gone on to achieve great things themselves.

### **Cemetery Walk with historian Thomas Dilley and Kever Avot Cemetery Memorial Prayers, Sunday, September 20**

It is customary to visit the graves of parents and other relatives around Rosh Hashanah and recite a memorial prayer. Rabbi Krishef and Cantor Rapaport will be available to say personal memorial prayers at the graves of your loved ones. 1:15 p.m., Ahavas Israel cemetery. 1:45 p.m., Greenwood cemetery

**2:00 p.m. Please join us for a historical cemetery walk** around Greenwood Cemetery (1401 Leonard St. NW) with Thomas Dilley. Tom is a retired attorney and frequent lecturer on cemetery history. He is the author of several books of local history, and he is a member of the Grand Rapids Historical Commission, trustee of the Grand Rapids Historical Society, past chair of the Grand Rapids Public Library Foundation, and trustee of the Grand Rapids Public Museum Foundation.

## *Congregation Ahavas Israel - cont'd.*

He has recently published "In The Art of Memory: Historic Cemeteries of Grand Rapids, Michigan." In it, he details the history of Grand Rapids' park cemeteries, finding that their development mimicked national trends and changing cultural beliefs about honoring the dead.

This past winter, Tom spoke to us on a Shabbat morning, and he offered to take us on a special cemetery tour. Following the Kever Avot memorial prayers, we'll walk the cemetery with Tom for approximately 1 hour.

**Note: In case of rain, the cemetery walk will be postponed until October 11. Rabbi Krishef and Cantor Stuart will still be at the Ahavas Israel cemetery at the scheduled times on September 20.**

## *Chabad House*

### **Sukkot Carnival**

Come join us for a.... Grand Sukkot Carnival Wednesday ~ September 30<sup>th</sup> ~ 5:00 p.m. A fun Sukkot celebration for the whole family Soup in the the sukkah & hot dog dinner Exciting sukkat booths, moonwalk, games and prizes For more info. call 616-957-0770

### **Cteen**

Come join us for Cteen Under the Stars For More info. or to RSVP call Chana 616-570-1742

### **Cteen Jr.**

Take off for our journey of flying around the world to make a difference! Save the date - Cteen Jr. Kickoff event Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade For More information call Chana 616-570-1742

### **Kids Club**

#### **Chabad Kids Club presents...J.A.Z. The Jewish Art Zone**

Save the Date October 13<sup>th</sup> - Gap Give A Penny Hey Kids, You can be part of the newest, hottest, coolest club in town. This new club is JAZ – the Jewish Art Zone. We will be learning about Jewish Holidays and ideas.

We will also create awesome art projects to go along with each theme.

Express your creativity and have a really fun time. At the end of the session, you will have your very own Jewish art collection to show!

Join Today! Location: Chabad of W Michigan - 2615 Michigan NE, Grand Rapids, MI

Boys & Girls Ages 5-11 Time: 4pm-6pm

\$10 per session (includes light dinner). For more info or to reserve a spot call: 616-957-0770

# Endowment

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:

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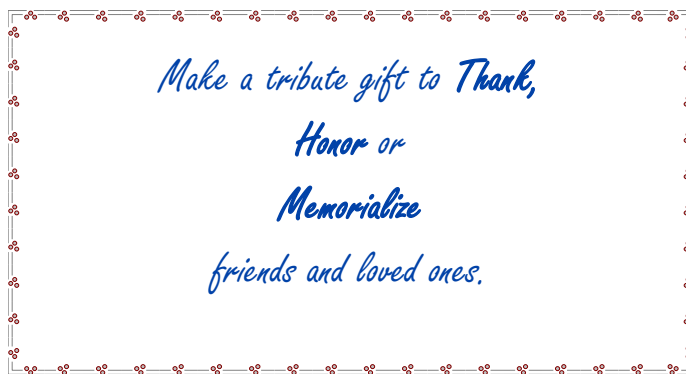
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