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Goodman Aquatic Center to Open on June 3

Spring is here and it is exciting to think about hot summer days and swimming at the Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman Aquatic Center. The pool will be open to the public for swimming, sunning, snacking and socializing starting June 3.

The Goodman Aquatic Center, located at the Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman Jewish Community Campus in Verona, has much to offer its many swimmers each summer. The pool's six 25-meter lanes make it great for competition and lap-swimming, and its zero-depth entry makes it accessible to everyone, including small children and those with wheelchairs. When you're out of the water, the pool's shaded area and deck chairs offer a great place to lounge with friends and family, while enjoying the expanded concessions menu available daily.

Our pool has a salt-water generator, making the pool better for the environment and for swimmers, since we do not need to handle or add large amounts of harsh chemicals to the pool. This generator allows us to use salt, a natural element, as a sanitizing agent, instead of relying on large amounts of liquid chlorine. We also have large solar panels which help to heat our pool. Our salt-water generator and our solar panels make our pool as gentle on the environment as possible.

Now is the perfect time to start planning your poolside event for the summer. Options ranging from birthday parties during public hours to private pool events are available.

The Goodman Aquatic Center, which is located at 7762 County Highway PD, just 15 minutes from downtown Madison, is open on Saturdays and Sundays from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm. On weekdays, the community is generally invited to swim from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm, after Camp Shalom hours. There are extended weekday hours at other times throughout the summer. Please refer to JewishMadison.org for the complete season schedule and pool policies.

Daily and season memberships will again be available for purchase this summer. For more details and a registration form, see the back page or visit www.JewishMadison.org. Please email pool@jewishmadison.org for more information on parties and events.

We look forward to seeing you at the Goodman Aquatic Center this summer!

A Message From Dina Weinbach, Executive Director, Jewish Federation of Madison

This message is to let the community know that I have decided to leave my position as executive director of the Jewish Federation of Madison at the end of June.

It was back in 1994, while I was working on my master's degree in California, when a close friend who was on the board of the then-named Madison Jewish Community Council encouraged me to apply for the newly created position of "Program Director." Having been a dedicated and passionate teacher who was focused on educational administration, this was not the direction I envisioned my career to go. However, I thought that since I would be in Madison over break I would take the opportunity to interview. If nothing else, that kind of interview would be a good experience. Well, it has been 23 years since I had that interview and accepted the job offer. I still smile about the unplanned journey my career has taken.

Since the start, I have always considered myself very fortunate to work for such a wonderful organization. First, I believe wholeheartedly in the timeless mission of the Jewish Federation of Madison "to work toward building a strong and unified Jewish community in order to ensure the survival, well-being and continuity of the Jewish people in this area, in Israel and throughout the world." The Federation organizes and sponsors such a broad array of services and programs. It is truly amazing what this organization does. Second, the dedicated, knowledgeable and enthusiastic staff and

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Jewish Business and Professionals' Roundtable Series

Speakers: Jesse Sondel, Jamie Gepner, Dan Weiss, and Laila Borokhim

Topic: Entrepreneurship Unleashed

What does it take to create and run a business in Madison? Hear from four young Jewish business founders, from four different industries, sharing their perspectives about the trials and tribulations that accompany entrepreneurship in our community. Moderated and hosted by peer local entrepreneurs Zach Galin and Isaac Showaki.

When: **Wednesday, May 3**
6:30pm-8:00pm
Location: **Octopi Brewery**
1131 Uniek Drive, Waunakee
Cost: **$25**

For more information or for opportunities to sponsor these events, please contact Dina Weinbach at dina@jewishmadison.org or (608) 442-4070.

Roundtable Speakers

Jesse Sondel, veterinarian and owner of Sondel Family Veterinary Clinic. Founded in 2012, SFVC provides medical, surgical and dental care to companion animals. Jesse is proud to have been awarded "Best of Madison" veterinarian by *Madison Magazine* every year since opening his clinic.

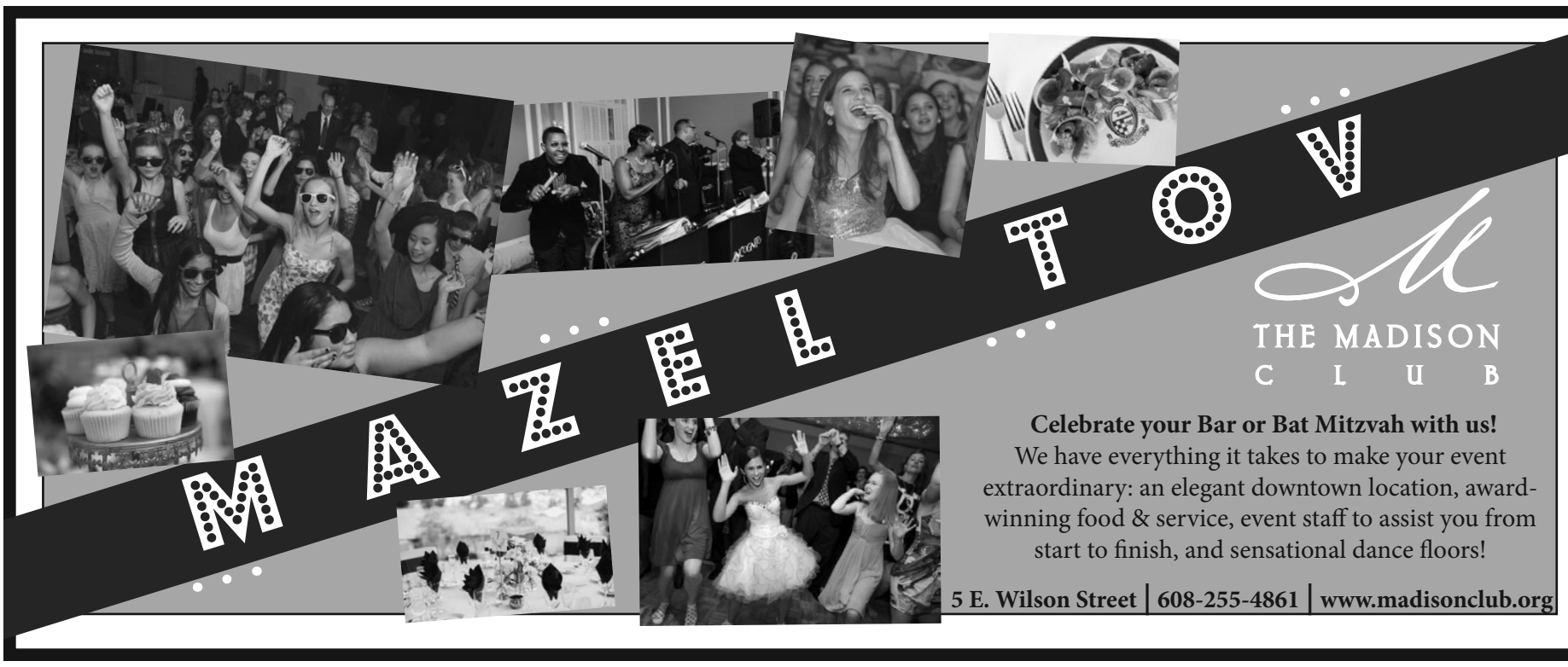
Jamie Gepner is the Founder and CEO of little om BIG OM, where she and her team of instructors bring fun yoga and mindfulness classes to kids and families around the Madison area. little om BIG OM teaches yoga and mindfulness to help kids strengthen their bodies and minds to increase awareness and focus, improve physical fitness, reduce stress and increase confidence. Jamie lives in Middleton with her three energetic kids and is the founder of a networking group for local "mamapreneuers" called BOSS MAMA.

Dan Weiss is a co-founder of Leach, Bickmore & Weiss Wealth Management, LLC ("LBW"). Dan, along with his partners at LBW, are changing the perception and utilization of wealth management and wealth development, by providing an unparalleled level of service, and offering a higher degree of in-depth expertise.

Laila Borokhim is the owner, chef, wait staff and everything else at Layla's, specializing in Persian food.

Zach Galin, our moderator for the panel, is the owner of Galin Education and has spent over a decade working independently with students and families in the college admissions process. From test preparation to college matching, applications, and financial aid, Zach has helped students gain acceptance to their top choice schools.

Isaac Showaki is our host for the evening and the owner of Octopi Brewery.



Celebrating Yom Ha'Atzmaut

May is here, and with it comes the date of the declaration of the state of Israel.

Sixty-nine years ago, during the battles of the civil war in Palestine, David Ben-Gurion declared the establishment of the Jewish state, the day before the end of the British Mandate in Palestine. On the next day, a Saturday, six Arab armies broke into the territory that had been the British Mandate and tried with all their might to prevent the establishment of the Jewish state. During that war, 6373 Jews were killed. For the last 69 years, we have been celebrating the fact that after 2,000 years of exile, the Jewish state survives.

Our community will celebrate it on May 7 at the Goodman campus at 2:00 pm. You are invited to join us!! What are we going to have?

- Torch lighting ceremony
- Performances by members of the community, including the last performance of the Day School, a dance by Yonim, the local Israeli dance troupe, a collection of songs performed by representatives of the Midrasha students, and many more.
- A carnival with inflatables, Israeli booths, Israeli snacks, and the official hummus competition, with awards. Each and every one of you can participate as a contestant, or simply vote to choose the best hummus!

For more details, or ways to get involved, search the event on Facebook ("Yom Ha'atzmaut 2017 – Shalom Jerusalem") or send an email to Daniel at Israel@jewishmadison.org.



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Families enjoying the Yom Ha'Atzmaut picnic in the sunshine.



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I'm new here.

Sunday, June 25 at the

HAVA NAGILA JEWISH COMMUNITY PICNIC!

Welcome to Madison!

Mazel Tov on the birth of your new baby!

Fun surprises will be at the Outreach Tent at 12 pm. Group photos of babies and adults will be taken at 12 pm.

Madison JEWISH NEWS

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Upcoming Jewish Federation OF MADISON EVENTS

Jewish Business and Professionals' Roundtable

May 3
6:30 pm–8:00 pm
Octopi Brewery
1131 Uniek Drive, Waunakee

Panel discussion with young Jewish Madison business owners. Learn about how these professionals were able to build successful businesses and what makes this community a great setting for them.

Cost: $25 per person, includes drinks and appetizers

Online registration coming soon

Contact Dina Weinbach, (608) 442-4070, dina@jewishmadison.org

Midrasha Graduation

May 3
8:00 pm–9:10 pm
Temple Beth El
2702 Arbor Drive
Madison

Contact Ellen Weismer, program@jewishmadison.org



Community Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration



May 7
2:00 pm
Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman
Jewish Community Campus
7762 County Highway PD
Verona, WI 53593

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• A carnival with inflatables, Israeli booths, Israeli snacks, and the official hummus competition, with awards. Each and every one of you can participate as a contestant, or simply vote to choose the best hummus!

Reciprocal Birthright

May 16-May 24

Travel to Chicago, Milwaukee & Madison for free with other young adults visiting from Sovev Kinneret, our partnership region in Israel

The Jewish Federation of Madison and Partnership2Gether, for the Sea of Galilee region, are happy to announce a great program for this spring: Reciprocal Birthright Madison 2017!

Jewish young adults have the opportunity to attend Taglit/Birthright, where they travel to Israel for 10 days to learn about the Jewish homeland, its history, and culture. We are inviting a small group of Israelis to experience American Diaspora Jewry through an exchange program based on the Taglit model. From May 16 to 24 six Israelis (average age 25) will fly to the Midwest for a trip formatted similar to the Taglit Birthright experience.

We are looking for local young adults (24–28) to join us on our Midwest Reverse Birthright trip. They will get to experience the tourist sites of our area, and will share what it is like to be a Jew in America. This exchange will allow for a small group of Israelis who are immediately post-military service to visit the Midwest and have a new perspective on what it means to be an American Jew.

For more information call (608) 278-1808 or go to www.JewishMadison.org

Yad B'Yad (Hand in Hand) Playgroup For children 0-2 years old and their caregivers



Thursday, May 25
11 am–12:30 pm

Join us for this month's playgroup. Drink and light snacks provided. Contact Tiz Goff at outreach@jewishmadison.org for the location.

Goodman Aquatic Center)pens June 3rd

Summer registration for the pool is open!
Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman
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Enjoy the beautiful 5,500 square foot outdoor pool, with six 25-meter lanes and zero depth entry, located in Verona. Plenty of shaded area and deck chairs to lounge with family and friends. See the ad on page 24 for complete details and registration information.

Chai, I'm New Here! Join Us at the Hava Nagila Jewish Community Picnic!

Sunday, June 25
Fun surprises will be at the Outreach Tent at 12 pm

Recipients of Shalom Baby and Shalom Madison are invited to this event! We love having you here, and want to celebrate your arrival here! "Established" community members are invited as well; let's make sure everyone knows each other!



Hava Nagila Jewish Community Picnic

Sunday, June 25
10:30 am–1:30 pm
Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman
Jewish Community Campus
7762 County Highway PD
Verona, WI 53593

Kick off the summer at the Hava Nagila Community Picnic. Activities include Amazing Race-inspired activities for the whole family; information tables for local Jewish organizations; face painting and balloon animals; hayrides; bouncy house; velcro wall; Boulder's Climbing Wall; picnic games; Ga-Ga; swimming; Israeli Dancing with Yonim; music; hot dogs, veggie brats and other yummy foods (proceeds go to the Gan HaYeled Preschool); and much more! Volunteers are also needed. Please contact Ellen Weismer at program@ jewishmadison or 278-1808. Watch for more details in future issues of *Madison Jewish News*.

Dina Weinbach

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volunteers are a pleasure to work with. I am constantly in awe of the amount of time and energy they put into their work on behalf of the Federation and this community. Third, there is no other Jewish organization that touches more lives throughout the world. I take pride in writing this and am proud to be a part of this powerful collective. The Federation is here to help people in need whether it is a natural disaster, terror attacks in Israel, resettling refugees, anti-Semitism and other acts of hatred. It is an organization that, simply put, does a lot of good.

During my eighteen-year tenure as the Jewish Federation's program director, I worked with many different programs including Camp Shalom, Midrasha, Chug Ivrit, and Gan HaYeled. Together I worked closely with volunteers individually and on committees and panels on program, policy, and budget. I continuously collaborated with congregations and Jewish organizations in Madison on joint programming. I enjoyed training, coaching, mentoring, and evaluating staff and teachers in many program areas. Together, we implemented new, innovative programs to increase community involvement and outreach, including the Future Directions Leadership Development Program, Camp Shalom Bogrim, Chug Ivrit, Family Education programs, and more.

Since 2012, when I was named the executive director of the Jewish Federation of Madison, I have worked closely with the board of directors, panels and committees that govern the organization. Every year, we have worked hard to raise over $100,000 for the Camp Shalom Scholarship Fund to insure no child is ever denied a camp experience because of financial need. We have worked tirelessly to raise money for the Federation's Annual Tzedakah campaign to develop the resources and create the initiatives required to support agencies, activities, services and programs which strive to fulfill the mission of the Federation. The Federation has implemented new initiatives such as Outreach programming; One Happy Camper stipends for children to attend Jewish overnight camp for the first time; Community Innovation Grants; and Israel programs and experiences through Partnership2Gether. I was elected and currently serve as co-chair of SHRAC – the Superintendent's Human Relations Advisory Council for the Madison school district. As part of SHRAC, I work closely with the Madison superintendent of schools and other leaders from community organizations whose missions are related to equity, diversity and social justice. This has facilitated outreach, community relations and education work for me on behalf of our Jewish community. Just this spring, the Jewish Federation of Madison applied to, and was approved for Bridges to Tomorrow, a program created by the Israel Action Network, to counter the assault on Israel's legitimacy and change the discourse on Israel. A large focus of this initiative is to find new, creative, cost effective ways to counter BDS that reflect the changing populations in America. We will specifically be doing outreach with the interfaith community.

As I reflect on the past 23 years and prepare to pass the baton, these are just some of the highlights from my time at the Federation. Even with my long-standing passion and dedication to this organization I have decided that it is time for me to move on. I did not take this decision lightly, and in the end I decided that I am ready to begin a new chapter in my life. I am truly proud of all that we have accomplished together over the last 23 years and I know my successor will be well positioned to carry on with our work and continue to move the Federation forward.

Please join me at my last official event as the executive director of the Jewish Federation of Madison on Sunday, June 25, 10:30 am – 1:30 pm, at the Hava Nagila Jewish Community Picnic at the Goodman Campus in Verona. It will give me an opportunity to thank you for working with me on behalf of the Federation and our Jewish community.



Cooking at MJCDS

We love cooking at MJCDS. Our latest cooking adventure involved preparing food for our school seder. Bubbe Sherry Minkus taught us how to make matzah balls and Zayde Paul Minkus (pictured) helped us make maror from scratch. We made chocolate covered matzah with Aimee Becker, charoset with Morah Clara, and the two of them taught us how to make our very own matzah!

Simchas & Condolences

Mazel Tov on the birth of:

***Ori Benjamin**, son of Lainie and Michael Minkoff, grandson to Joel and Debbie Minkoff, brother to Eitan, nephew to Caren Minkoff, Ari Lampear, Josh Minkoff, Kaylee Heller, Ben Minkoff and Sarah Callahan, and cousin Eva*

Condolences to the families of:

***Russ Whitesel**, husband of Elizabeth Whitesel, father of Leah Whitesel (Justin Gates) and Emily Whitesel (Aaron Spicer), grandfather of Rosalind, Judah, and Owen*

***Maxine Gladstone**, mother of Alyssa Gladstone (Michael Smith), grandmother of Rachel and Donald Smith*





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Questions? Contact the Center for Jewish Studies at 608-890-3572

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The Melton Experience

By Regina M. Vidaver

The Melton Core program was supported with an Innovations Panel grant from the Jewish Federation of Madison.

The room fills with over twenty people— men and women, ranging in age from thirty to eighty. Some grew up with extensive exposure to Jewish studies, others grew up in secular Jewish households, or are recent converts. Still others are contemplating conversion, or exploring various religious perspectives for their own edification. This is the scene each Sunday morning at Beth Israel Center, where the "Meltoneers", students of the Florence Melton curriculum, study, learn and get to know one another.

Rabbi Rebecca Ben-Gideon, began bringing the Melton curriculum to Madison in 2015, starting with the one-semester class, Foundations of Jewish Family Living. Foundations centered on the major holidays and issues in daily living that present opportunities for teaching our children Jewish, moral values. Whether learning from Esther about choices and heroism, or about how remembering the story of Joseph can help us keep from holding grudges, all lessons were centered on Torah and Talmud. The Foundations class was so well-received, that people clamored for more! The two-year Melton Core Curriculum followed with the help of a grant from the Jewish Federation of Madison

The first year of the two-year Core curriculum, which began in the fall of 2015, covered Purposes of Jewish Living, and Rhythms of Jewish Living. This curriculum change also saw the addition of Rabbi Joshua Ben-Gideon to the instructor line-up, with the class generally alternating between Purposes and Rhythms (and therefore Rabbis Ben-Gideon) each week. This class also required the students to familiarize themselves with the Tanakh, from which many texts were explored, in addition to excerpts from a variety of sources provided in the Melton textbooks.

In Purposes, Meltoneers asked questions about being the chosen people, what our texts say about the afterlife, miracles, and why suffering occurs, among other big questions in life. In Rhythms, laws and customs of keeping Kosher, conversion and adoption, marriage and divorce, and death and burial were covered.

The second year of the curriculum is currently in progress, and again roughly alternates which Rabbi Ben-Gideon teaches each week. This year covers Crossroads of Jewish History and The Ethics of Jewish Living. Topics in Crossroads include the destruction of the first and second temples, confrontations with Christianity and Islam, examining the ages of Ashkenazim and Sephardim, and the rise of Kabbalah. In Ethics, students have discussed marriage, divorce, abortion, end of life decisions, and how to balance the needs and values of the individual vs. those of the community.

The richness of the Melton learning experience goes far beyond the texts that are discussed, or the ability of the teachers to engage. The experiences of the students provide fodder for virtually every aspect of discussion. Indeed, students' lives often play out with issues being studied: one member experienced the death of a parent during the course. Another completed conversion. One of our more storied classmates, Judith Zuckerman Kaufmann, sadly passed away in the midst of the second-year curriculum. Only a couple of weeks after her passing, the curriculum covered the role of women in Judaism; some of Judith's peers, including Rayla Temin and Anna Heifetz described their activism and were able to fondly recall the role that Judith had played in bringing egalitarianism to Beth Israel Center, and founding Shaarei Shamayim. This discussion was a fitting tribute to Judith.

As lucky as the Meltoneers have been to have the Rabbis Ben-Gideon as teachers, exposure to other excellent instructors has occurred when the Ben-Gideons have been otherwise engaged. Judith Sone, Associate Director of the University of Wisconsin Center for Jewish Studies, Rabbi Renee Bauer, Director of Chaplaincy and Outreach for Jewish Social Services, and Beth Copelovitch, Education Director at Beth Israel Center, have all been substitute teachers at Melton. We are grateful to Rabbis Ben-Gideon for bringing the Melton curriculum to Madison, and as they prepare to depart to North Carolina, we wish them well on their next adventure."

Students who have completed the Melton curriculum will be honored at Shabbat services at Beth Israel Center on May 13, followed by a celebratory Kiddush lunch. Please come and support our community's adult learners!

Teen Israel Trip Stipends Available



Does your teenager want to travel to Israel on an organized trip? The Jewish Federation of Madison wants to help! The Federation now has a limited number of stipends available for up to $1500 per student to help with teen trips to Israel. Students entering ninth grade through the end of twelfth grade are eligible. For more information and a list of approved trips, please visit JewishMadison.org. Applications can be completed online.

The Jewish Federation of Madison expresses its appreciation to these individuals who recently made a tribute donation to honor someone or celebrate a special occasion

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Congregation Shaarei Shamayim

Shaarei Shamayim, Madison's Jewish Reconstructionist and Renewal congregation, welcomes new and prospective members, as well as visitors, to participate in our services, discussions, classes, and celebrations. For more information or to learn about events, please visit our website at www.shamayim.org, email us at office@shamayim.org, or call (608) 257-2944.

Exploring Judaism: Open Discussion About All Your Jewish Questions

Wednesday, May 3, 4:30 pm
Located at our offices - please call the office for exact location.

Curious about Judaism? Join Rabbi Laurie for a monthly gathering where we discuss personal explorations of Judaism. This group is for people who want to deepen their knowledge of Jewish practice, who have questions regarding Jewish identity, who are considering becoming Jewish, or who are looking for an opportunity to ask questions in a relaxed environment. We structure each session around participant questions and interests. Interested in learning more or want to be added to the updates list? Please contact the office. More dates coming soon.

Shabbat Services

Saturdays, May 6 and May 27, 9:30 am
Friday, May 19, 6:15 pm
Located at the First Unitarian Society, 900 University Bay Drive

On May 6, we welcome Lily Swift as a bat mitzvah, and on May 27 we welcome Zoe Woloshin as a bat mitzvah. Shabbat morning services are followed by Kiddush lunch at 11:45 am. On Friday, May 19, Cantorial Soloist Michele Rozansky leads a service followed by a vegetarian potluck dinner. Please call the office for more information.

Torah Study

We offer lay-led Torah study every Saturday morning that we do not have services at a member's home. Please call the office for the location.

Volunteer to Serve a Meal to Madison's Homeless

Saturday, May 20, 3:00 pm–4:00 pm
Located at the top of State Street

Help Shaarei Shamayim members prepare and serve a meal to Madison's homeless community. We feed over 150 people through Friends of the State Street Family each month. Volunteers are needed to both cook and serve. Please contact the office for more information and to sign up.

Kehillah: A Group for People in their mid-20s to 30s

Looking for Jewish community? Want to get involved with others who are a similar age? We are just launching our group and will be planning monthly events. To sign up for the list please contact the office.

Social Action Listserve

Looking for some social action opportunities? Sign up to receive our weekly email that lists activities within Shaarei Shamayim, as well as events around town. Over 80 people have joined. Add your name to the list and get involved! (You do not need to be a member to join us.)

Temple Beth El

Visit us online at www.templebethel-madison.org.

All events are open to the community and take place at Temple Beth El, 2702 Arbor Drive, Madison, unless otherwise noted.

We encourage members of the Jewish community to join Temple Beth El, and we welcome prospective members to participate in programs and activities. Contact Executive Director Terrie Goren at (608) 238-3123 or executive@tbemadison.org.

Shabbat Starts Here

May 5
Be part of our Pilot Shabbat Starts Here experience
5:45 pm Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Sisterhood
6:00 pm Shabbat Shalom Service (NEW!)
6:45 pm Congregational Dinner (Reservations required at bit.ly/may5shabbat).
7:30 pm Special program; look for details coming soon

Come for One Part, Come for All Parts! We love seeing you for Shabbat!

At Temple Beth El there is a special service fit for everyone! Aimed at worshipers of all ages, our Shabbat Shalom service will include songs, prayers, stories, and love. Adults, bring your children or come alone! Kids, bring your parents, and grandparents. Let everyone know that Shabbat Starts Here! Next, we'll enjoy a Congregational Shabbat Dinner beginning at 6:45 pm. You can register for this convenient and welcoming dinner at bit.ly/may5shabbat. Dinner is either baked chicken or pasta marinara with sauce on the side, so plain pasta is available. Dinner also includes dinner rolls, green beans and carrots, potatoes and cookies for dessert. $15 for adults age 13 and over and $10 for youth 12 and under. Register by May 2 at bit.ly/may5shabbat.

Our evening continues with a special program at 7:30 pm. Look for details coming soon.

This program is a time of welcoming the restful feelings of Shabbat here at Temple Beth El.

If our community likes this new approach to Shabbat on the First Friday, watch for this new monthly format in the Fall, starting October 6, 2017!

Singles Creating Community Dinner

Tuesday, May 9, 6:30 pm
Ichiban Sichuan
610 S. Park St., Madison

Enjoy an informal, relaxing dinner with others who are single. Everyone is responsible for purchasing their own meal.

Shabbat Dinner Get-Together

Friday, May 12, 5:30 pm
Imperial Gardens, 2039 Allen Blvd. Middleton

Join with friends for a Chinese dinner prior to services on Friday night. Those interested will have plenty of time to eat, schmooze and be at Temple Beth El by the time Shabbat evening services begin at 7:30 pm. For questions and to RSVP contact Aleeza at engage@tbemadison.org or (608) 238-3123.

Lag B'Omer Bonfire at Picnic Point

Saturday, May 13, 6:00 pm

In honor of Lag B'Omer, join us for our annual celebratory bonfire at fire pit #2 at Picnic Point. The bonfires lit on Lag B'omer are to symbolize the light of the Torah.

Please bring a camping chair or blanket to sit on along with a picnic dinner for you/your family. Temple will provide the fixings for S'mores. If you have a preferred s'more roasting stick, please bring it with you. RSVP to Aleeza Hoffert, Director of Community Engagement at engage@tbemadison.org. Brought to you by Temple Beth El Program Committee. We're looking forward to S'more holiday fun together!

Madison's Jews' Next Dor Meet & Greet Dinner

Thursday, May 18, 7:00 pm
Location TBD

Join fellow 20- and 30-somethings in the Jewish Community to meet, greet, and eat our way through a tasty dinner! Dinner will be $20 or less per person; please bring cash with you (small bills are appreciated). Contact Aleeza Hoffert at engage@tbemadison.org for more information.

Singles Creating Community Coffee

Friday, May 19, 9:00 am
Panera, 3416 University Ave., Madison

Start your Friday with some lovely conversation.

Workshop and Concert with Rick Recht

Sunday, May 21, workshop 12:30 pm, concert 2:30 pm

Rick Recht, one of the most celebrated Jewish singer/songwriters of our time, will conduct a workshop, attendance free with every concert ticket purchase. The workshop will be beneficial for anyone who speaks in front of a group: teachers, madrichim, members of a board of representatives, etc.

Tickets for Rick's Workshop and Concert are on sale at https://tinyurl.com/RickRechtatTBE

Cancer Support Group

Sunday, May 21, 2:00 pm
Frank Adult Lounge, Temple Beth El

A support group for those whose lives have been touched by cancer gathers on certain Sundays throughout the year, meeting from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm. The group meets monthly to address the mutual needs of those patients and caregivers who confront cancer. If you'd like more information, please contact Rabbi Biatch rabbi@tbemadison.org or (608) 238-3123.

Shavuot Scoop with Shavuot Service with Yizkor and Congregational Learning Fair

Tuesday, May 30, 6:00 pm

Celebrate Shavuot with Temple Beth El. After the Shavuot service with Yizkor, attend our Congregational Learning Fair with an ice cream bar to "sample" all that Temple Beth El has to offer! Contact Aleeza Hoffert at engage@tbemadison.org with any questions.

Outdoor Shabbat at Wingra Park

Friday, June 2, 5:45 pm

Our warm-weather outdoor Shabbat tradition is back. These are multi-generational Shabbat experiences. We will feature a different dinner each month. You can register for these meals in advance or

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Kesher Movie at Temple Beth El

Co-sponsored with the Jewish Federation of Madison

Wednesday, May 17
THE GREEN PRINCE
Doors open at 7:00 pm
For a 7:15 pm showing

This documentary spy thriller centers on both the son of a leading Hamas agent and an operator of the Shin Bet. Early on we learn the methods employed to attract an informant for Israel. We learn, as well, the methods Hamas uses to ensure loyalty among the Palestinian population. The reasons the Green Prince chose willingly to spy for Israel become apparent, as do the motives of the Shin Bet operator as he moves away from dictated procedure.

Temple Arbor Street doors, 2702 Arbor Drive. Snacks will be served. We expect a lively discussion following the movie. Running time: 1 hour, 41 minutes. Rating: PG 13

Upcoming:
Gett: June 21
Denial: July 19
Holy Land Hardball: August 16

Beth Israel Center

Come see what our traditional, egalitarian community is all about. Beth Israel Center programs and services are open to all members, prospective members, and visitors. Some events require registration, however. Please call (608) 256-7763 or email office@bethisraelcenter.org with any questions. Rabbi Ben-Gideon or another congregational leader will gladly help you get to know us better. We love to talk about upcoming events, education for children and adults, membership and more. You may also visit our website, www.bethisraelcenter.org, for more information.

Here are a few upcoming calendar highlights:

The Road Home Buddy Congregation Week

April 30-May 7

Four times each calendar year, Beth Israel Center serves as a Buddy Congregation when Midvale Lutheran Community Church hosts homeless families in transition to permanent housing. Our next opportunity to do this important volunteer work is the week beginning Sunday, April 30. Sign up online using the link in the BIC e-news, on our website (www.bethisraelcenter.org), or at www.midvalelutheran.org. Write to socialaction@bethisraelcenter.org with any questions.

Torah & Mindfulness

Saturdays, May 6 and 20, 9:15 am

Come to Beth Israel Center on the first and third Shabbat mornings of May for meditation, chanting, and discussion. In this iteration of Torah & Mindfulness, we begin at 9:15 am and end at 10:00 am, with a break at 9:30 am. You may enter or leave quietly at any time. This format allows for meditation as preparation for P'sukei d'zimra (which begins at 9:30 am in the main sanctuary), Shacharit (which typically starts around 9:50 am in the main sanctuary), or Torah Service (which typically begins around 10:10 am). Find Torah & Mindfulness in Classroom 3, which is on the far side of the library on the lower level.

Kibbud Limudim

Saturday, May 13, 9:30 am

Celebrate our community of learners during Shabbat morning services. Special recognition will be given to students marking Jewish educational milestones – moving from one day a week participation to three (2nd graders), completing 5th grade and moving into more intense bar/bat mitzvah preparation, and completing the Talmud Torah program (7th graders). We will also recognize our *madrachim*, high school graduates, adult learners, and the teens who have this year earned the Jake Heifetz award for their commitment to participating in services. A special Kiddush will also be part of the celebration.

Lag B'Omer BBQ

Sunday, May 14, 5:00 pm

Our 9th Annual Lag B'Omer BBQ features live salsa music, a bounce-house and more! Enjoy hot dogs, burgers (beef and veggie) freshly grilled by Rabbi Ben-Gideon, along with beer and soft drinks. Rain or shine. This year, we will celebrate our nine years with Rabbi Ben-Gideon and his family and wish them well before they leave Madison this summer. This free event is made possible by the generosity of the BIC board of directors.

MOUSY Elections

Sunday, May 21

Madison's Only United Synagogue Youth chapter (MOUSY) gathers to exercise our duties to vote and eat, as we elect our 2017-18 executive board officers and indulge in tasty foods. Contact Deborah Hoffman (hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org) or co-Presidents Hannah Ehrlich or Talia Ivry, for more information.

Rosh Chodesh Sivan

Friday, May 26, 7:00 am

Celebrate the new month during morning minyan at Beth Israel Center. A light breakfast will be served after services.

Tikkun Leil Shavuot

Tuesday, May 30, 7:30 pm

Join area rabbis and other teachers from across Madison's Jewish community for a traditional Tikkun Leil Shavuot – an evening of learning, beginning at 7:30 pm and continuing well past midnight.

This year's theme is "Love." Watch our website, Facebook page, newsletter and elsewhere for more details.

Feel free to come for all or part of this lively celebration of Judaism's love of study and learning. To keep learners sharp throughout the evening, dairy desserts will be served, including cheesecake, ice cream, and the traditional first fruits of the season.

Kadima State Street Hang-Out

Sunday, June 4, 1:30 pm

Wanna nosh, wanna shop, wanna schmooze? All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are invited to the Kadima State Street Hang-out for a great get-together with middle-school teens on a Sunday afternoon. Contact Deborah Hoffman at: hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org for more information.

Conversational Yiddish

Mondays, 7:00 pm

Join Yiddish enthusiast and talented teacher Sylvia Grunes at Yiddish class on Monday nights, 7:00 pm.–8:30 pm. Sylvia builds a love for the Yiddish language and culture through her long-running classes. Come learn from a master - all levels welcome and encouraged to attend.

Talmud Class

Wednesdays, 9:15 am

Study Talmud in Hebrew and Aramaic with Rabbis Joshua and Rebecca Ben-Gideon. New students are welcome any time. Contact either Rabbi (rabbi@bethisraelcenter.org, rbengideon @gmail.com) or subscribe to our e-newsletter for information about the current topic.

Shabbat Services

Every Friday at 5:45 pm
Every Saturday at 9:30 am

Looking for warm, inspiring, and egalitarian traditional Shabbat services? We welcome Shabbat every Friday around 5:00 pm as people begin to gather and toast the week that was. Lively, song-filled services begin at 5:45 pm.

Our Shabbat morning worship begins with P'seukei D'zimra and continues through Shacharit, Torah service and Musaf. We join together for a communal kiddush lunch after services every week. Children's services for babies, preschoolers, and elementary school-age children begin at 10:30 am most weeks during the school year. Visitors are always welcome!

To receive schedule updates and other information, subscribe to our e-newsletter or "Like" us on Facebook. For the e-news, subscribe on our website or email office@bethisraelcenter.org and ask to be added.

Temple Beth El

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bring your own picnic to enjoy with us. Please bring your lawn chairs or blankets to sit on while we are at Wingra Park. Just ask anyone who's come in the past; this is one service they look forward to all year! Share the fresh air and lake view with us as we usher in Shabbat.

5:45 pm–Nosh (Pre-Shabbat Oneg) sponsored by the Program Committee

6:00 pm–Shabbat Worship

6:45 pm–Dinner

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Save the Date ... WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21



Brought to you by the Jewish Federation of Madison

On Wednesday, June 21, the Jewish Federation of Madison's Gan HaYeled Preschool, will host **The No Name String Band from 6 pm until 7 pm** as part of the Make Music Madison community-wide event. Make Music Madison is a free, citywide, outdoor celebration with concerts across the city. All ages will enjoy the music of The No Name String Band! **Everyone is welcome to join us at Gan HaYeled, 6434 Enterprise Lane in Madison, to enjoy activities (make a paper plate banjo!), music, information, and fun!** Feel free to bring a picnic dinner at 5:30 pm so you can enjoy the music at 6 pm. Please contact Tiz Goff at outreach@jewishmadison.org with any questions on this community event.

MAKE MUSIC MADISON

Madison Hadassah is Bringing Community Together Through Walking Adventures

Madison Hadassah Walking Adventures Traces the Jewish History of Madison, Part I,
With Historian Jonathan Pollack
Sunday, May 21, 11:00 am – 1:30 pm
(Includes lunch stop at
Panera on Regent Street)

Everyone is welcome to this free event! Handicap accessible (ride between capitol and Greenbush available). Meet at Starbucks on Martin Luther King Blvd. (across from capitol) To let us know you are coming or ask questions, email: MadisonHadassah@gmail.com or call (608) 770-6521.

Look at Madison's Jewish community of immigrants in the 1850s and beyond, through the eyes of Jonathan Pollack, history instructor at MATC and Honorary Fellow in UW-Madison's Center for Jewish Studies. Pollack will give a walking tour of two important regions of Madison's Jewish history – Madison's Capitol Square and Greenbush neighborhood.

For the first hundred years of its history, Madison's Jewish community was close-knit and compact. Like Jewish communities everywhere, the Jews who came from Germany and Russia came here to start businesses. When those ventures succeeded, they brought their families or started new ones and built the Jewish institutions that have lasted into the present.

HADASSAH the power of women who DO

In the mid-19th century, German-Jewish businesses in Madison centered on the Capitol Square, which was the center of Madison's commerce. The people who built the first Shaarei Shamayim Synagogue (now called Gates of Heaven) on West Washington also built a collection of interrelated businesses, in clothing, groceries, and general merchandise.

After viewing part of the square, we will take a 15-minute stroll or .6 mile walk to the Panera Bread at the corner of West Washington St. and Regent St. for a brief lunch break. Part two of the tour will start here, as we walk the perimeter of the old Greenbush neighborhood and learn about the founding Russian Jewish families who came to the neighborhood in the early 20th century and founded scrap yards, grocery stores, and other businesses that served as the foundation of a new Jewish community.

Schedule:

1. Sunday May 21, 11:00 am
2. Meet at Starbucks on Capitol Square (at Martin Luther King Blvd)
3. Tour Capitol Square & West Washington Avenue.
   - *The first part of the tour will ask the participants to look past the modern structures on the Square to an earlier era. Walking the Square will bring the smallness of 19th-century Madison to life.*
   - *From the Square, participants will take a 15-minute stroll or .6 mile walk to the Panera Bread at the corner of West Washington and Regent. ¾ around square*
4. Lunch at Panera
5. Tour Greenbush Neighborhood
   - *Start at Panera and walk the perimeter of the old Greenbush neighborhood*
   - *Learn about the founding Russian Jewish families who came to the neighborhood in the early 20th century and founded scrap yards, grocery stores, and other businesses that served as the foundation of a new Jewish community.*

Remember: Reserve space on tour by calling (608) 770-6521 or email Madison Hadassah@gmail.com. Check out our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/HadassahMadison.

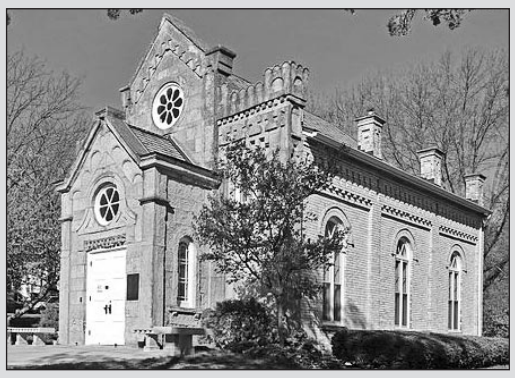
Coming in the Fall

Part II: Madison Hadassah Walking Adventures Tour the Jewish History of Madison

Part III: History of the Jewish Presence at the University of Wisconsin and Jewish History of Madison at Forest Hill Cemetery



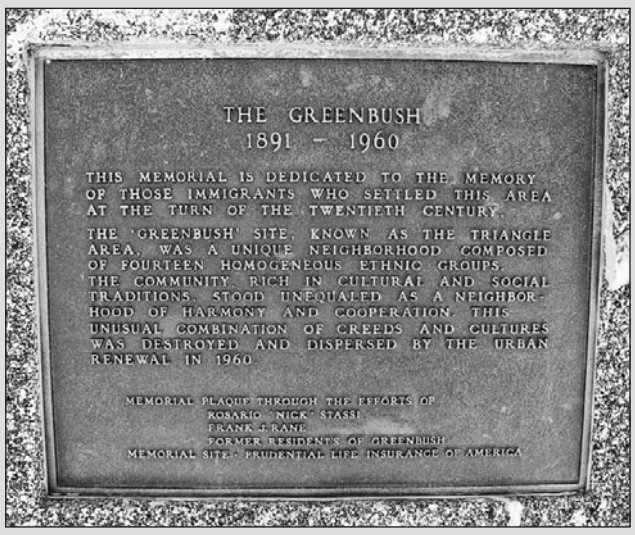
Kresge Corner, Samuel Klauber's store. After immigrating from Bohemia, Klauber was a peddler before coming to Madison in 1851 and opening a store. Caroline and Samuel Klauber were Madison's first permanent Jewish residents.



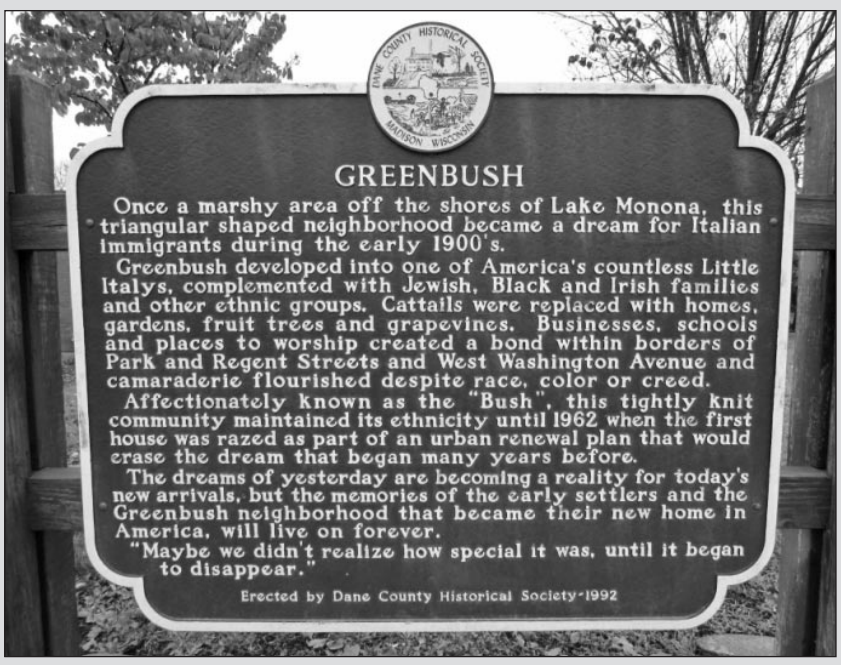
The original Shaarei Shamayim synagogue (now called Gates of Heaven) was built in 1863 and is the 8th oldest synagogue in the United States. The orthodox synagogue was built on West Washington and later moved to James Madison Park.



Like many Jewish immigrants, Alex Sinaiko began by peddling merchandise then opened a feed and supply store in Madison. Members of the Sinaiko family began settling in Madison in the late 1860s.



Signs marking the Greenbush Neighborhood.



One More Reason to Donate Good Quality Clothes and Items to Collectors Corner

Madison Hadassah is working with Madison Jewish Social Services by offering donated clothing and supplies to Madison's new refugees.

Proceeds from Hadassah's Collectors Corner Resale Store support medical research, education, healthcare in Israel and around the world. Watch for news about Hadassah's doctors and nurses teaching in remote regions of Africa, as well as serving as first responders treating natural disaster victims around the world.

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The Babies Bring Us Together

Yad B'Yad (Hand in Hand) playgroup switched it up these last several months; presenters from our community came to speak to the group. Liron Weiss involved the group in a therapeutic MELT session, Alicia Schiff gave great tips on home organization, Dan Weiss from LBW Wealth Management led the group in an informative discussion on what should be on our radar as adults and parents, and Maya Garbuz gave a sleep presentation filled with ideas on how to get our littles more sleep! As you can see from the picture, we do not need a presentation on how to be any cuter; our babies and parents are just adorable! More playdates are being planned for spring and summer, please contact Tiz Goff outreach@jewishmadison.org for more details.



These happy families smile big after Dan Weiss' financial talk during a Yad B' Yad session.





Congratulate your Graduate!

What better way to say "Congratulations" to your graduate than to publish your message in our special June graduation issue of the ***Madison Jewish News***? Share the news of their achievement and let your graduate know how proud you are. For all graduates, regardless of age! Open to parents, grandparents, student employers, businesses, and scholarship donors.

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Contact Tiz Goff at outreach@jewishmadison.org or call 773-620-4404 for details.



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Camp Corner



Spring Cleaning?

Camp Shalom is looking for gently used plastic storage containers (with lids), sports equipment (especially tennis and baseball), tents and camping gear, and photography equipment. If you have something to donate, please contact campshalom@jewishmadison.org. Thank you!





Join Us for the Camp Shalom New Camper Information Session

Sunday, June 11, 2017

Time: 11:45 am – for both Camp Shalom and Camp Shalom Noar-Bogrim
Location: The Minkoff Center (main building) at the Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman Jewish Community Campus, 7762 County Highway PD

- Campers are encouraged to attend
- Meet the Directors
- Learn about the daily schedule and special programming
- Take a tour of the scenic Goodman Campus and awesome camp facilities
- Meet some of the loving and enthusiastic staff members
- Learn some camp songs and play some camp games

Camp Shalom Noar-Bogrim families who would like to visit camp before it begins should contact Lisa Friend-Kalupa, csnb@jewishmadison.org.

Please email campshalom@jewishmadison.org with any questions.

Camp Shalom Offers Annual Corporate Sponsorship Opportunities

Camp Shalom is once again offering a Corporate Sponsorship Scholarship program. Businesses will have the opportunity to change a child's life, and in return Camp Shalom can help advertise and promote business sponsors.

There are four different sponsor levels:

- *Directors Circle $10,000+ (14+ Campers' Tuition)*
- *Shalom Circle $5000-$9999 (7-14 Campers' Tuition)*
- *Friendship Circle $2600-$4999 (4-7 Campers' Tuition)*
- *Campers Circle: $795-$2599 (1-3 Campers' Tuition)*

Each level of the Camp Shalom's Annual Corporate Sponsorships includes many benefit and recognition opportunities. For additional information, please contact Dina Weinbach at (608) 442-4070 or dina@jewishmadison.org.

Few youth-serving programs in Dane County are six decades old. It has taken the involvement of many to accomplish what we have. We hope to raise $115,000 in scholarship funds for the summer of 2017. There is little question that scholarship needs will be greater than last year; that's been the case throughout our history. Last year, with the support of our community, the Jewish Federation of Madison awarded $105,000 in full and partial scholarships to 193 campers. Without exception, families tell us how grateful they are and how much their children love Camp Shalom – an experience the children would not have without scholarship support.

Please help us spread the word and consider the Camp Shalom Corporate Sponsorship Scholarship program for your business. Thank you in advance for helping to make the summer of 2017 at Camp Shalom the best one yet.















Give Shir and Yuval a home this summer!

Home Hospitality Needed for our Newest Israeli Staff Members!

This summer, thanks to Partnership2Gether, Camp Shalom will have two full-time Israeli staff members. Yuval and Shir will be coming to live in Madison for the summer; they will work at Camp Shalom during the day and are looking for some fun, friendly hosts for the summer.

They will arrive in Madison during the week of June 9, and will leave during the week of August 11, If your family is open to hosting during that time please contact Ellen Weismer, program@jewishmadison.org, to discuss the details. We are hoping to give them a really special exchange experience while they are here in Madison!



What goes in the backpack?

One of the questions we get asked often is "What does my child need to bring to camp?"

Here's our list for what to pack each day:

- **Towel and Swimsuit** – in a plastic bag for storing them when they are wet
- **Sunscreen** – in resealable bag to prevent spills
- **Bug Spray** – in resealable bag to prevent spills
- **Lunch** – Shalom lunches are refrigerated; NOBO lunches are not refrigerated
- **Extra set of clothes** – NOBO campers should always keep an extra pair of socks in their backpack as some of their activities require them
- **Water Bottle** – Stay hydrated!

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Jewish Education



Highlights from this Semester at Midrasha

Hard to believe another year of Midrasha has come to an end. The Midrasha students had some awesome opportunities this year, including two field trips to events on the UW campus, guest speakers, a youth group fair and engaging classes each semester. Here are some photos that highlight this year at Midrasha! Registration for Midrasha 2017-2018 will begin this summer.









Dor L'Dor – Advice from the Midrasha Graduates



This year 12 students will graduate from Midrasha Hebrew High School after five years of dedication to the program. ALL of this year's seniors have been involved in Jewish learning since preschool. Ten of this year's graduates attended Gan HaYeled Preschool, and 100% of the graduates were campers at Camp Shalom.

Here is advice from some of the Midrasha class of 2017 to the Gan HaYeled Preschool class of 2017:

Follow your heart – and your teachers' directions!
~ Talia I.

Be yourself, no matter what!
~ Sophie

Take advantage of the time
~ Rose

Learn to tie your shoes early!
~ Noah

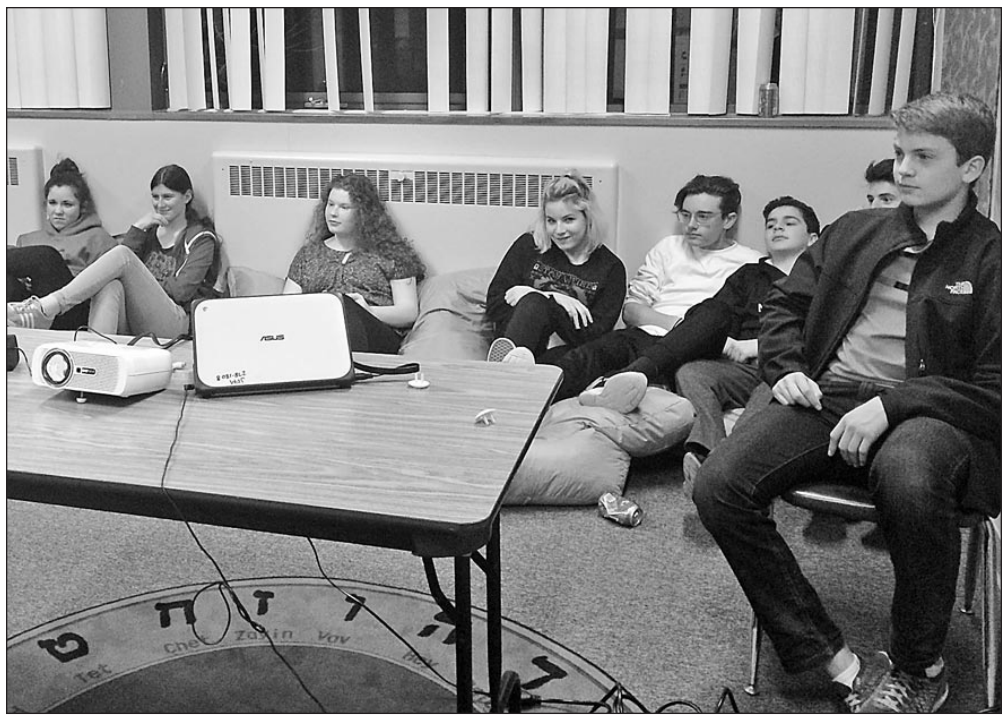
Don't give up on your dreams!
~ Autumn

Make sure to look both ways before you cross the street!
~ Hannah

Enjoy all of the moments in your life; they do not last forever. Do not cry when something ends, smile because it happened!
~ Ben

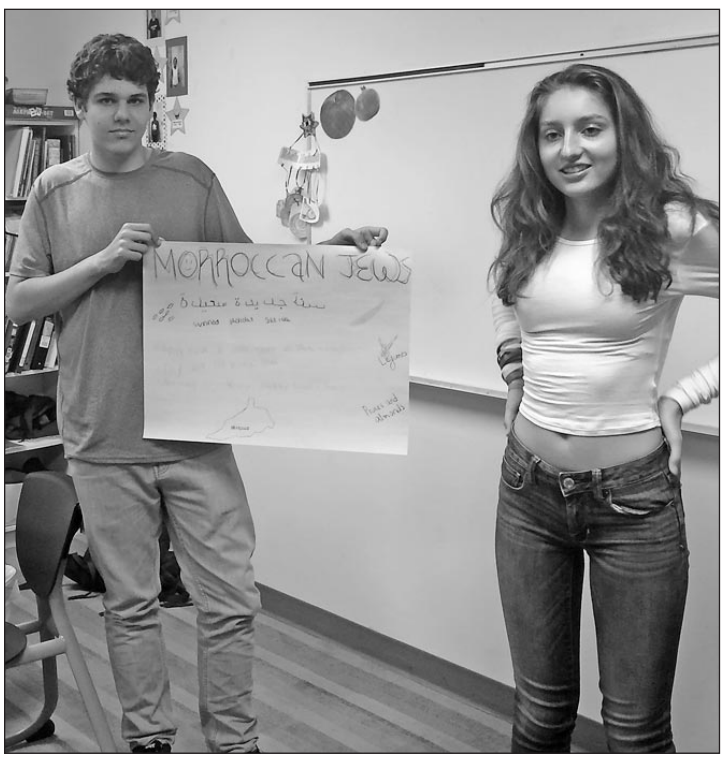
Take risks! Cherish your Gan friends!
~ Abby







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Goings On at Gan HaYeled

Spring has sprung at Gan HaYeled! We've been preparing for spring by planting parsley and studying frogs and flowers! It has been very wet on the playground, but that just means we've been able to take some fun walks around the neighborhood and in the wooded areas around Gan. We've even been able to paint outside.

We were so lucky to have a visit from Kol Sasson, the acapella group from the University of Maryland. They even taught us how to beatbox!

We have been learning about Passover and gearing up for our annual Dalet class seder.

Gan HaYeled has recently been approved to start a class for children who are 18 months old. If you are interested in Gan for your child please visit us at http://www.jewishmadison.org/hilde-l-mosse-gan-hayeled-preschool.



The Bet class examines the frogs.



Ziv and Ethan look at the frogs sitting on the mural they made.



Henry and Ziv working with Jerri to figure out how many bears is equal to the race car.



Amelie and Ziv are trying to figure out how many bears are equal to one bottle of glue.



Sasha painting a bird house to welcome the birds back after the long winter.



Curtis studies the frog up close.



Abby helps Annie complete the Bet bulletin board.



Adam and Nevo working on their pictures for the mural while Tina writes down what they have to say about tadpoles and where they live.



The Bet class works on a school-wide mural as part of their exploration of frog habitats.



Sam works on his painting for the mural.



Nitzan was able to carry the Torah during Shabbat when he was Child of the Week.



After nap, there was outside painting!



Bet flowers.



Solly and Cora show off the beautiful masks they made.



Bet and Gimel experience the crossing of the Red Sea on a rainy day.



To get ready for Passover, Eve and Nevo make matzah while Nevo's dad Tal helps out in the classroom.



Adam drinks the juice at Shabbat and smiles, indicating it will be a sweet Shabbat.



Jaime's face says it all – sweet Shabbat!



It is Henry's turn to uncover the challah.



Henry and Nitzan on a nature walk after nap.

UW Hillel Wraps Up the 2016-2017 School Year with Numerous Celebrations

By Amy Kasmir

UW Hillel-Madison is a beneficiary organization of the Jewish Federation of Madison.

It seems that just yesterday UW Hillel was welcoming back students and hosting its annual Welcome Week. In the blink of an eye, it is already May. The school year may be coming to a close, but UW Hillel has numerous events and programs planned over the next few weeks.

UW Hillel has been proud to be a part of the Midwest Jewish Artists' Laboratory. The Madison Jewish Artists' Lab at UW Hillel, generously funded by the Covenant Foundation, is focused on addressing the need to broaden the impact of the arts in Jewish life, helping to foster meaning, community, identity, and spirituality. The artists' lab is an opportunity for participants to challenge their intellect and creativity and provides a community of creativity, support, and enrichment. Moreover, the artists' lab is a unique opportunity in the Madison community in that it is an intergenerational program with participants ranging from age eighteen to those in their seventies who meet for text learning and meaningful conversation.

This year's theme of the Madison Jewish Artists' Lab is "Outside, Inside: Exploring Boundaries and Otherness." This rich topic offers many perspectives that are pertinent to Jewish heritage and experience. The Jewish people have often been defined as "other." This otherness has fostered a different vantage point, often a creative perspective, and engendered a sense of empathy.

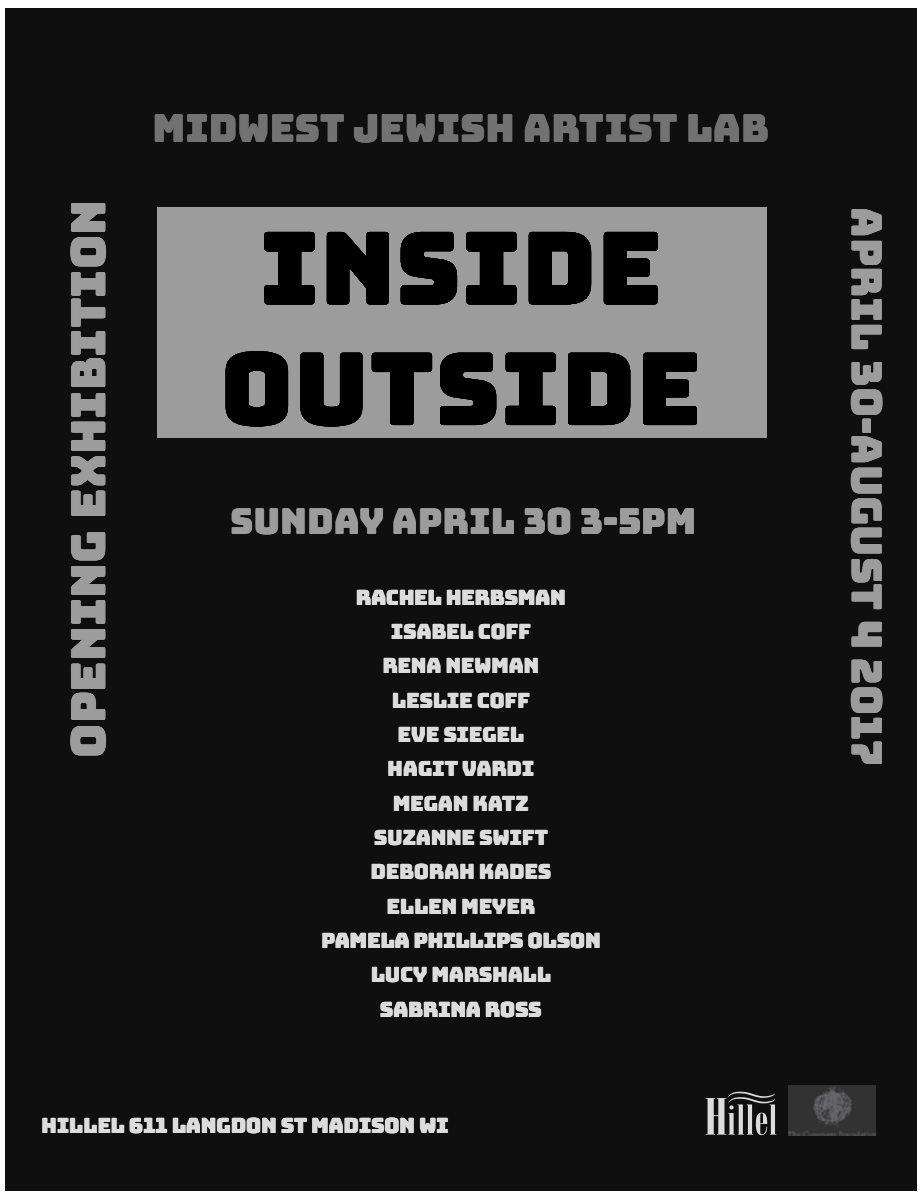
The thirteen participants in the Madison Jewish Artists' Lab met twice a month over the course of the year to explore this theme in Jewish life and history by studying various pieces of art, music, writing, and other works. In addition to the bi-weekly meetings, the artists have been working diligently, creating pieces related to the laboratory's theme.

The culmination of the 2016 – 2017 Madison Jewish Artists' Lab will take place on Sunday, April 30 with the opening reception of the *Inside: Exploring Boundaries and Otherness* exhibit. The reception will take place 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm at UW Hillel, 611 Langdon Street, and the exhibit will continue until August 4. For more information about the Jewish Artists' Lab and to follow the journey of this year's cohort, please log on to www.madisonjewishartistslab.org

In addition to the opening of the Jewish Artists' Lab exhibit, UW Hillel is excited to be celebrating all its students. On Tuesday, May 2, UW Hillel will be hosting its annual Student Appreciation Night. At this event, we will honor and recognize students who have made a difference at Hillel over the course of the school year through their involvement, dedication, work, and commitment. This special night is a way for UW Hillel staff to showcase our incredible students and thank them. The event will feature an Israeli-themed dinner to coincide with Yom Ha'Atzmaut, awards, and a special appearance by everyone's favorite badger, Bucky.

The last event of the 2016 – 2017 school year is our annual Jewish Community Graduation Celebration. One of the highlights of the year, the Jewish Community Graduation Celebration is a special event taking place on Friday, May 12, at 11:00 am, that provides the UW Hillel community with the opportunity to celebrate the class of 2017. We will be welcoming members of the class of 2017 as well their family and friends with a celebratory brunch, ceremony, and wine and cheese reception. At the ceremony, UW Provost of Students, Sarah Mangelsdorf will address the students, as will a member of the graduating class. In addition, the students are encouraged to wear their caps and gowns, as each will receive a UW Hillel honor cord and have the opportunity to take photos with Provost Mangelsdorf, the UW Hillel staff, and Bucky. For more information about graduation, see our website at www.uwhillel.org/commencement.

UW Hillel appreciates all the students and community members who helped make the 2016 – 2017 school year a great success! The building will be open throughout the summer as the UW Hillel staff begins planning for the 2017 – 2018 school year.



Schmooze & Brews for SPF

A dozen professionals came together on a gorgeous Tuesday afternoon to schmooze at Oliver's Public House. SPF stands for Singles, Professionals and (adults with) Families; this group is geared toward community members in their 20s, 30s, and 40s. At the event, Jeremy Tunis and Dori Suddarth discovered that Jeremy knew Dori's grandmother who was in Congress in Connecticut. Jewish Geography at its finest! We also learn about each other in our Facebook group. Every other week, 1 member of the group completes some questions so they can be "Spotlighted." The SPF Spotlight gives each member a chance to share more about themselves, both personally and professionally, so we can learn each other's careers, favorite Jewish foods, and their favorite ways to get involved with the Jewish Federation of Madison! Please reach out to Tiz Goff if you'd like to be added to our Facebook Group.





Jewish Social Services

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Levy Summer Series Registration

(Registration also available online at www.jssmadison.org)

Please check which day(s) you will be attending, and meal preference. All events are $18 per person. On the provided lines, please list the names of your guests and their meal preference.

Wednesday, June 7: Dr. Tal Elmaliach
Broiled Whitefish or Goat Cheese & Spinach Strudel

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Wednesday, June 21: Professor Sunny Yudkoff
Pecan-Crusted Walleye or Vegetable Napoleon

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Wednesday, July 5: Matt Bernstein and Gabe Carimi
Salmon with Mango Salsa or Portabella Fettuccine

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Wednesday, July 19: Cantor Sharon Brown-Levy
Smoked Cod or Vegetable Quiche Puff Pastry

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Wednesday, August 9: Jonathan Pollack
Tuna Nicoise Salad or Greek Farfalle with Artichoke Hearts

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Wednesday August 23: Professor Nadav Shelef
Baked Halibut or Vegetable Phyllo

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Meals in this series have been generously subsidized.

Full program and menu descriptions are at www.jssmadison.org/events/levy-summer-series. Please enclose your check or use your credit card.

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Jewish Social Services Presents the Levy Summer Series ... Register Today!

Dr. Tal Elmaliach – Wednesday, June 7
"Jewish Youth Between Zionism and the New Left, 1967-1973: A Comparative Look"

In the second half of the 1960s, a dramatic process of political, social, and ideological revival took place among the members of the young generation of Jews in the Western world. This development was part of the rise of the New Left, in which Jewish youth played a prominent leadership role. However, in the middle of the decade, and especially after the Six-Day War, a rift occurred between the Jews and the New Left. Many of the non-Jewish supporters of the latter expressed objection, sometimes verging on anti-Semitism, to Zionism, and started seeing it as an imperialist movement. Consequently, most Jews in the New Left abandoned it as a political framework, although they continued to adhere to its values and to the interpretation of reality that it offered.

Professor Sunny Yudkoff – Wednesday, June 21
"A Tubercular Eden: Yiddish Literature of the American West"

In American Yiddish poetry of the early twentieth century, the skyscrapers, subways, and grit of New York dominate. But the New York skyline was not the only thing that Yiddish writers set their sights on as they worked to find their voices in the American literary landscape. In this talk, we'll turn our attention westward, away from the urban center of cultural production to the peripheral Yiddish literary space of Denver, Colorado. There, a cohort of tubercular Yiddish poets would congregate, "taking the cure" in the Mile High City's mountain air and producing poetry at the foot of the Rockies. As we'll see, a diagnosis of tuberculosis, perhaps counterintuitively, offered Yiddish poets new natural vistas, new collaborative spaces, and even a new language—English—with which to express themselves.

Matt Bernstein and Gabe Carimi – Wednesday, July 5
"UW Madison Football and Jews in Collegiate and Professional Sports"

Reflections and experiences from two of our local athletes. Gabe Carimi played for the Badgers 2007–2010. As a senior, Carimi won the 2010 Outland Trophy, awarded to the nation's top collegiate interior lineman. Carimi went on to play professional football for the Chicago Bears, Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the Atlanta Falcons.

Matt Bernstein played for the Badgers 2002–2005. In 2006, Matt was inducted into the National Jewish Sports Hall of Fame.

Cantor Sharon Brown-Levy – Wednesday, July 19
"Jews on Broadway and in Hollywood"

Love a great Broadway show or musical film? Learn about the backgrounds and achievements of the Jewish talents who have dominated the stage and screen: actors, singers, dancers, directors, producers, and composers. Featured actors include but are not limited to Danny Kaye, Barbra Streisand, Yul Brynner; featured composers and lyricists include Rodgers and Hammerstein, Lerner and Loewe, Lionel Bart, Bock and Harnick, Schonberg and Boublil, and the Gershwins. A multimedia presentation – Cantor Sharon is honored to be accompanied by pianist Ted Reinke and violinist Philip Tietze.

Jonathan Pollack – Wednesday, August 9
"The Roots of Jewish Community at the University of Wisconsin"

Although there had been Jewish students at the University of Wisconsin since 1861, it was not until fifty years later that a significant enough group of Jewish students began to form self-consciously Jewish organizations. These early organizations--the Menorah Society, several student Zionist societies, and a Jewish Student Association sponsored by the Reform movement--attracted Jewish students to Wisconsin from around Wisconsin and around the United States. Like their counterparts at better-studied Ivy League universities, this first large generation of Jewish college students went on to excel in a variety of academic and professional fields, and their Jewish experiences on campus translated into leadership in other Jewish organizations.

Professor Nadav Shelef – Wednesday, August 23
"The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: Where Do We Stand Today?"

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Israel's conquest of the West Bank, and 100 years since the Balfour Declaration. This talk will explore the ups and downs of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict over that time, the current strategies of the participants, and where it is likely to go from here.

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More information at www.jssmadison.org/volunteer/volunteer-projects

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English as a second language tutoring/Citizenship Exam preparation – Help tutor somebody looking to pass their citizenship exam and master the English language.

Volunteer at the JSS Office – We are always looking for people to help out with administrative tasks!

Double your Volunteering Mitzvah

Check with your human resources department to see whether your company has a policy of matching employees' community volunteer hours with a monetary donation to the agency for whom the employee volunteers. What a great way to enhance the benefits of your volunteer work!

Jewish Social Services Brings Shabbat to Our Seniors



Our monthly Shabbat gatherings, with wine donated by Frank Liquor, include candle lighting, challah, singing and discussion.

Attic Angel Place at 2:30 pm in the Garden Room
8301 Old Sauk Road
A program of Jewish Social Services and Attic Angel Place. Music by Les Goldsmith, with the assistance of Angel Volunteers.
May 12

Capitol Lakes at 3:00 pm in the Grand Hall
333 West Main Street
A program of Jewish Social Services and Capitol Lakes Retirement Community. Led by Rabbi Andrea Steinberger with assistance from UW students through the UW-Hillel Foundation.
May 5

Oakwood West at 4:00 pm in The Oaks Community Room
6225 Mineral Point Road
A program of Jewish Social Services and Oakwood Village University Woods. With the assistance of JSS volunteers and music by Paul Grossberg.
May 19

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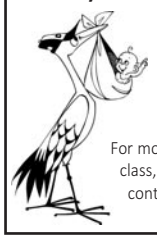

Shalom Baby *is designed to help Madison families celebrate the arrival of their Jewish newborns and welcome them to the Madison Jewish Community.*

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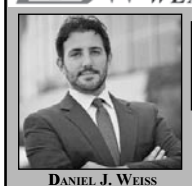

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Jewish Social Services

Lechayim Lights

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May Lechayim Calendar

Join us for great food, friends, fun and interesting programs at Lechayim Lunchtime Plus at Temple Beth El, 2702 Arbor Drive. Contact Jewish Social Services at (608) 442-4081 or email office@jssmadison.org ***no later than 2:00 pm the preceding Wednesday.*** **A vegetarian or strictly kosher option is available with a reservation.** If you are 60 years or older, a minimum donation of $4.00 is suggested, but please only pay what is comfortable for you. The cost of the meal is $10.23 for those younger than 60 years old.

If you cannot attend the meal, please join us for the free program at 1:00 pm.

Many thanks to UW Hillel Adamah Catering for Providing our Delicious Kosher Meals!

Monday, May 1

11:30 am–12:30 pm	Complimentary Blood Pressure check with Nurse Lori Edelstein
11:30 am–12:00 pm	Yoga from a chair with Betsy Haimson
12:00 pm–1:00 pm	Yom Ha'Atzmaut Alaskan cod bouillabaisse, (vegetarian entrée: chili glazed tofu), saffron rice, grilled romaine salad, market fruit, mini Israeli dessert
1:00 pm–2:00 pm	Dr. Zorba Paster, "Five Great People who changed my Life: From Sir Francis Crick to the Dalai Lama"

Monday, May 8

11:30 am–12:00 pm	Yoga from a chair with Betsy Haimson
12:00 pm–1:00 pm	Eggplant parmesan, house salad w/ Italian dressing, market fruit, mini Israeli dessert
1:00 pm–2:00 pm	The White Birch Ensemble - classical music and some Russian and Ukrainian and folk songs

Monday, May 15

11:30 am–12:00 pm	Yoga from a chair with Betsy Haimson
12:00 pm–1:00 pm	Beef chili – sausage and brisket, (vegetarian entrée: vegetarian chili), Southern corn bread, spiced corn, market fruit, mini Israeli dessert
1:00 pm–2:00 pm	"Stories of Our Lives" Lechayim participants share moments, events and meaningful people in their lives.

Monday, May 22

11:30 am–12:00 pm	Yoga from a chair with Betsy Haimson
12:00 pm–1:00 pm	Chicken Shwarma (vegetarian entrée: falafel), saffron rice, Israeli salad, market fruit, mini Israeli dessert
1:00 pm–2:00 pm	"Laura Ingalls Wilder: Road to the Little House," performed by Jessica Michna.

Lechayim Lunchtime Plus will recess after May 22 and resume in September – see you then!

The Goodman Lechayim Lunchtime Plus is a Senior Adult Program. Find changes, updates and new information about JSS programs on our website, www.jssmadison.org.

Making Lechayim Reservations Each Week

• When you check-in at Lechayim, sign up for the following week.

• Call Jewish Social Services at (608) 442-4801 or email office@jssmadison.org **before 2:00 pm on the preceding Wednesday**.

• If you did not make a reservation but would like to come, **call Paul at (608) 442-4803 before** to see if there have been any cancellations.

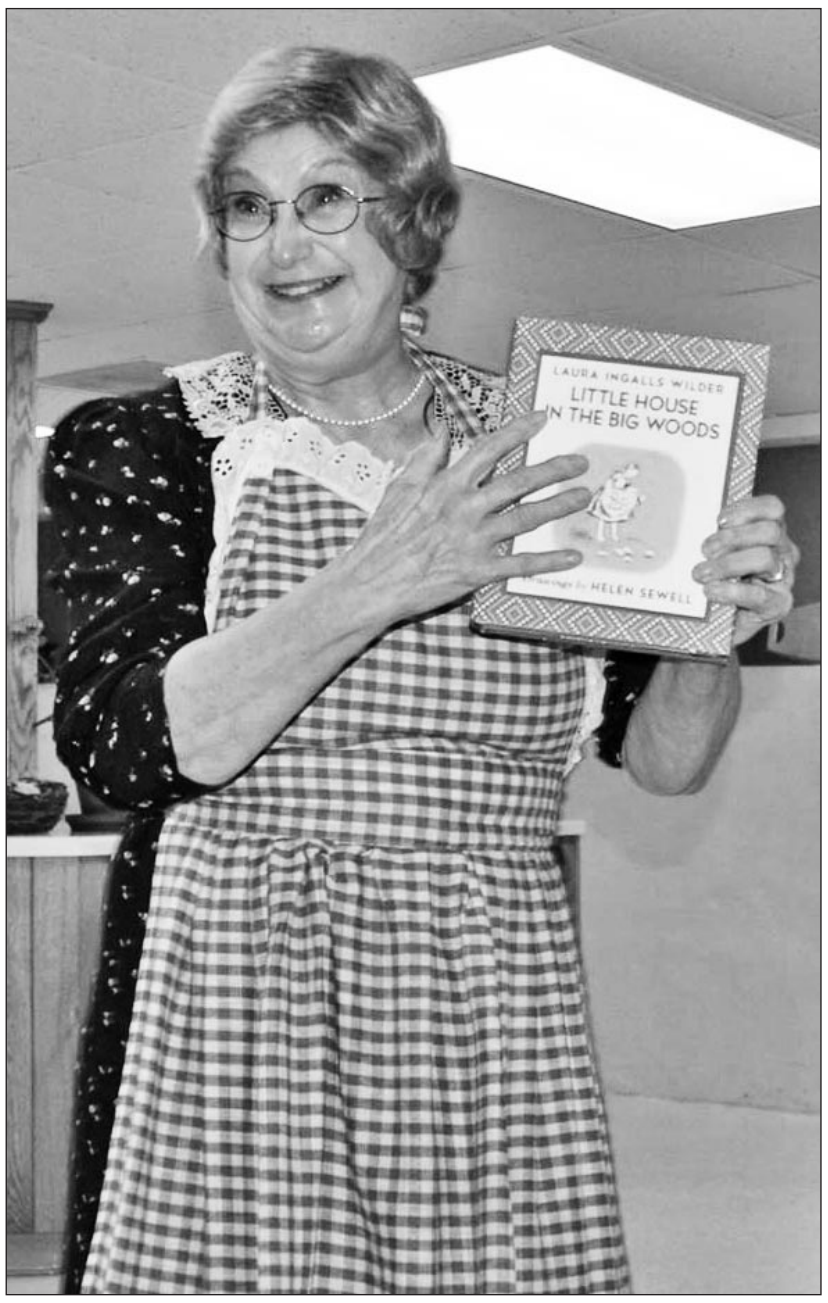
• We regret that we are unable to guarantee a meal for last minute reservations or walk-ins.

Lechayim Lunchtime Plus last program is May 22



Nena Dyhr

Please come to our last Lechayim of the season, honoring the memory of Lechayim volunteer extraordinaire, Nena Dyhr. We are bringing back one of Nena's favorite performers, Jessica Michna for the program on Monday, May 22.



Jessica Michna will perform at Lechayim on May 22.

Transitions

Happy May Birthday

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About Our Programs

Monday, May 1

You may listen to the Wisconsin Public Radio broadcast of our speaker's weekly, national talk show, **Zorba Paster on Your Health**. These days, in addition to hosting a national show, Zorba mentors medical students as a clinical professor in the Department of Family Medicine at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He also keeps busy with a family practice, numerous speaking engagements, and travel abroad. Some of you may have also heard him speak about or read his book, *The Longevity Code: Your Personal Prescription for a Longer, Sweeter Life*, published in 2001. Zorba titled today's talk: "Five Great People who changed my Life: From Sir Francis Crick to the Dalai Lama." He will share his own experiences and discuss how the people you meet along the way can affect your life in extraordinary ways, if you listen and take note.



Dr. Zorba Paster

Monday, May 8

The White Birch Ensemble was founded in 2012. Today's musicians will include Vladimir Kolosovskiy on bayan (Russian button accordion), Tamara Kolosovskaya, playing second prima domra, and Yuriy Kolosovskiy, professional domra player and composer. The domra is a relative to the mandolin and, like the more common Balalaika, is an important part of Russian folk culture going back hundreds of years. A good majority of the music White Birch Ensemble performs is arranged or written by Yuriy Kolosovskiy, who has a distinct style which blends Russian Folk with Bluegrass elements. White Birch Ensemble has played at venues and festivals all over Madison including the Brink Lounge, Attic Angels, and private parties.



Yuriy Kolosovskiy



Jessica Michna



Vladimir Kolosovskiy and Tamara Kolosovskaya

Monday, May 15

You may be surprised at the variety of stories our own participants can tell. A rich mix of interesting adventures in work, political activism, romance and family life will be the topics of the day.

Monday, May 22

Jessica Michna has become widely known for her riveting portrayals of First Ladies and other historic women as well as her fictitious characters. She has entertained groups throughout America. Jessica will inform and entertain us with her enactment of a popular Midwest character titled, "Laura Ingalls Wilder: Road to the Little House."

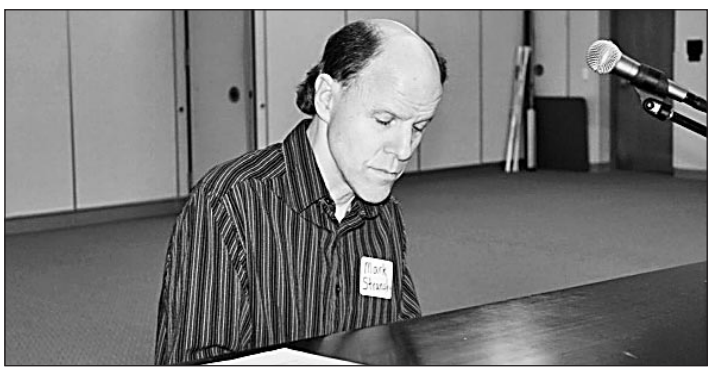
Fun with Lechayim















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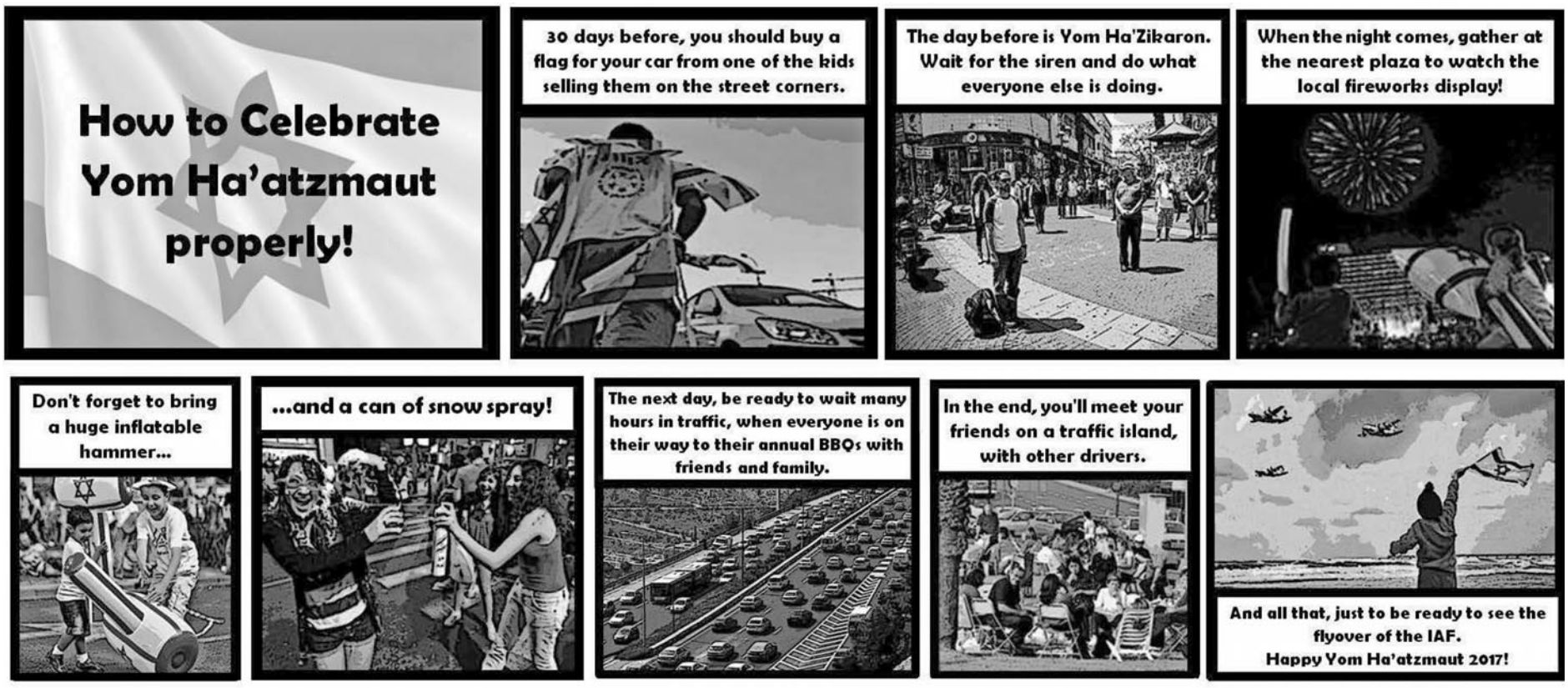

Urban Jungle: Tel Aviv Named World's 7th Greenest City

By Einat Paz-Frankel, NoCamels

Israeli Innovation News, March 21, 2017

Tel Aviv, Israel, is among the greenest cities in the world, ranking No. 7 on a prestigious list compiled recently by MIT researchers in collaboration with the World Economic Forum.

No. 1 on the list is Vancouver, Canada, followed by Sacramento, US, and Geneva, Switzerland. Rounding out the top five are Seattle and Toronto.

Trees and plants in urban environments have been known to improve air quality and provide shade. According to the WEF, making available significant 'green' living space is now virtually mandatory for cities around the world. But are they up to scratch?

To answer this question, researchers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) teamed up with the WEF to create Treepedia, a website which measures and compares cities' green canopies, including that of Tel Aviv.

Using Google Street View data, Treepedia could become a tool for both city planners and dwellers. Urbanites can inspect the location and size of trees in their neighborhoods, as well as input their own data and request for more trees to be planted where they live. In addition to visualizing cities' green spaces, a metric called the 'Green View Index' helps city planners to evaluate and compare green canopy coverage relative to other cities around the globe.

The initiative is designed to "help shape the cities of the future; teach urbanites a greater appreciation of the green spaces around them, and reinforce the role of the green canopy in responding to climate change," Alice Charles of the World Economic Forum said in a statement.

Tel Aviv, Israel's cultural and financial center, has launched several green initiatives in recent years, including city-sponsored bicycle and car-sharing services.

According to city officials, the number of trees in Tel Aviv (excluding trees in parks) has doubled over the past decade, reaching 260,000, averaging 5,000 trees per square kilometer.

"We've cleaned up vacant lots to make room for parks and promenades," Tel Aviv Mayor Ron Huldai said in a statement. "Today, our hard work has paid off, and our green city provides a high quality of life."



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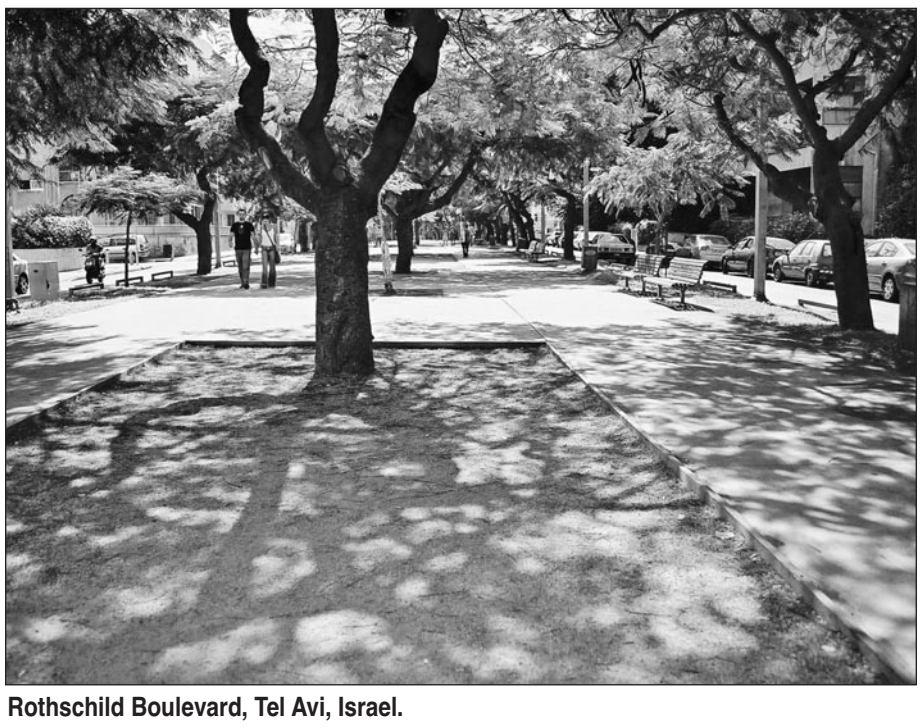

Rothschild Boulevard, Tel Avi, Israel.

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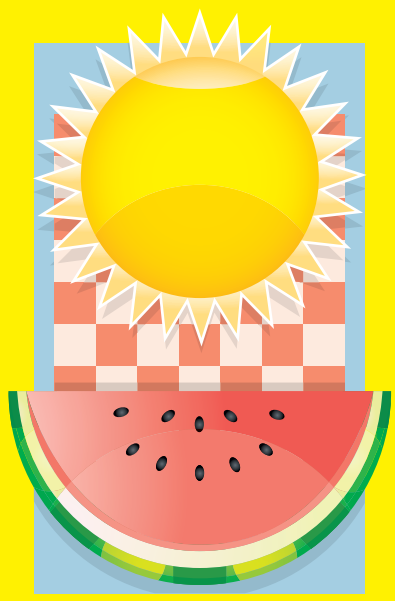

The Hava Nagila Jewish Community Picnic will be held on
Sunday, June 25, from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm
at the Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman Jewish Community Campus in Verona. Come and help us kick off the summer at this wonderful community event. Mark your calendar and watch your email and www.JewishMadison.org for more information.













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2017 FEES	
Season Family* (Immediate only)	$315.00*
Season Adult (16+)	$135.00*
Season Youth (infant - 15)	$110.00*
Daily Adult (16+)	$5.00
Daily Youth (1 - 15)	$4.00
Infants under 1 Year	Free

Grandparents and/or primary childcare provider may be added to a family membership at a cost of $30/person.

OPEN SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

11:00 am - 8:00 pm

Open weekdays during scheduled hours

PURCHASE YOUR SEASON MEMBERSHIP ONLINE NOW!



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Attractions

The Goodman Aquatic Center offers

- 5,500 square foot outdoor pool
- Six 25-meter lanes
- Zero-depth entry
- Solar panels to heat pool
- Salt-water chlorination system
- Parties and celebrations
- Daily concessions
- Shaded areas
- Natural surroundings
- Free entry for infants

EARLY REGISTRATION BONUS: Season passes purchased by May 26, 2017, will include the following number of free daily guest passes ... Family = 10 daily individual guest passes; Adult = 5 daily individual guest passes; Youth = 3 daily individual guest passes

Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman Jewish Community Campus Aquatic Center

Season Membership Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Total requested	Type	Fee	Total
		Total Enclosed	

Please make your check payable to the Jewish Federation of Madison and send it with this registration form to 6434 Enterprise Lane, Madison, Wisconsin 53719. Season memberships can be purchased online with credit cards.

Names of Participants	Child's age/year of birth

By registering or participating, the registrant understands that individual accident insurance is not provided by the Jewish Federation of Madison and agrees to adhere to all rules and policies. I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, waive, release, and forever discharge any and all rights and claims for damages that I may have or that may hereafter accrue to me arising out of or in any way connected with my participation in the Jewish Federation of Madison. Photos may be taken during participation for educational and marketing purposes.

Signature _____ Date _____



Pool Schedule

June 3-4	Daily	11 am to 8 pm
June 5-8	Daily	4 pm to 8 pm
June 9-18	Daily	11 am to 8 pm
June 19-August 11	Monday-Friday	4 pm to 8 pm
	Saturday & Sunday	11 am to 8 pm
July 10 & July 31	Daily	11 am to 8 pm
Special Dates:		
July 4	Open	10 am to 7 pm
August 12-31	Open	11 am to 8 pm
September 1	Open	4 pm to 7 pm
September 2-3	Open	10 am to 7 pm
September 4	Open	10 am to 7 pm

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The pool may be closed due to weather, private events, or other reasons

Call 848-1822 or email: pool@jewishmadison.org for changes in the published schedule

Memberships are for the 2017 summer season only.
Memberships are not transferable and are non-refundable.

Policies: The Jewish Federation of Madison reserves the right to close the Goodman Aquatic Center at any time and for any reason including but not limited to inclement weather, to accommodate groups or other uses, or lack of attendance. Lifeguards will be on duty as required by Code. Children age twelve and under must be accompanied and supervised by an adult. Children who are not toilet-trained must wear swim diapers. These policies are subject to change and other rules and policies may be posted and will apply.