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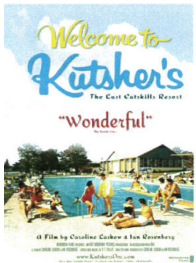
JANUARY 2015

READING JEWISH FILM SERIES 2015

The Jewish Cultural Center is proud to announce the inaugural season of the Reading Jewish Film Series. The Series is co-sponsored by the **Rubin Educational Fund of the Jewish Federation of Reading & Fox Theatres**. All shows begin at **7:00 PM** at **Fox East Theatre** (next to Boscov's East). **\$5 per film or \$15 for the Series**.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18

WELCOME TO KUTSHER'S: THE LAST CATSKILLS RESORT



Welcome to Kutsher's: The Last Catskills Resorts, is an extraordinary historical documentary that immerses views in the history of the famous Jewish American vacation resort Kutsher's, in the Catskills of New York, from 1907 to present day. The film captures Kutsher's three family generations that brought in top names in entertainment, including stand-up comedy and sports, such as Alan King, Billy Crystal, Jerry Steinfeld, Joan Rivers, Muhammad Ali, Wilt Chamberlain, and many others. Activities at Kutsher's included Art, Bridge, Bingo, golf, indoor/outdoor pools, ping pong, facial make over spa, lectures on health and nutrition. In 100 years, millions of people generation after generation have visited and enjoyed Kutsher's. The Kosher food was elaborate and abundant serving three meals daily including a Chinese and Italian entrée. *Welcome to Kutsher's* is indeed a wonderful family film, about a wonderful family getaway.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 18

THE THIRD HALF



In this Macedonian film inspired by true events from World War II, the rag tag Macedonia Football Club competes for the championship of the Nazi Football League. Determined to build the best football club in the country, Dimitry hires the German-Jewish coach, Rudolph Spitz, to galvanize his team, but when the first Nazi tanks roll through the city and Rebecca, the beautiful daughter of a local banker, elopes with his star player, all Dimitry's plans change. Neither a

war movie nor a Holocaust movie, it is more of a soccer epic: a story of misfits, pariahs, losers and idealists, who during a turbulent time realize their game is more than just a game – it becomes a battle between Good and Evil.

MONDAY MAY 4

LITTLE WHITE LIE



Since childhood, Lacey Schwartz knew she was different: her dark complexion set her apart from the rest of her family, as did her boisterous, black curls. But it wasn't until her freshman year at Georgetown University that she began to understand why. Growing up, her parents never spoke about her origins, and Schwartz had no reason to think of herself as anything but white. In *Little White Lie*, the filmmaker bravely pulls back the curtain on her family secrets, raising larger questions through the frank and sometimes raw conversations with family and friends. In this deeply personal and riveting exploration of bi-racial identity, Schwartz asks: What makes us who we are? And how do we rebuild our identities after learning that the assumptions underlying them are false.

MONDAY JUNE 1

HUNTING ELEPHANTS



A huge box-office smash in Israel, Reshef Levi's *Hunting Elephants* unites some of Israel's most treasured stars of the stage and screen alongside Sir Patrick Stewart (*Star Trek, X-Men*) in this modern-day heist film. Jonathan is a bright 12-year-old — perhaps too bright, since everyone picks on him at school, including his teachers. His closest friend in the world is his father, Daniel. The two of them meet up every day after school when Jonathan visits Daniel at his job at the bank. One day, Daniel is involved in an accident at work and the bank refuses to take responsibility for it. With the help of his cranky grandfather Eliyahu, Eliyahu's wily friend Nick, and a disgraced, eccentric British Lord (Sir Patrick Stewart), Jonathan comes up with a crazy plan that will help save his family, while getting even with his father's sleazy former boss: the four of them are going to rob the bank!



Art Exhibit
at the
Jewish Cultural Center
Bob Woods
January 8 to March 6
Opening reception is January 8
5:00 to 7:00 pm

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at Jewish Cultural Center
7:00pm
Wednesday, January 7, 2015

FREE program

World Religions: Spotlight on Judaism

Can religion be defined? Join our award-winning scholars as they tell a new story: traveling from prehistory to the present day illuminating how world religions came to be acknowledged and studied, with a focus on Judaism. How has this great civilization and religion been absorbed and altered, understood and misunderstood?



TRIVIA GAME NIGHT & DELI

Saturday, January 10, 2015
7:00 pm ... \$9 per person
Deli Dinner & Trivia Game

Could it get any better? A fun night out with friends and a great deli dinner catered by Boscov ala Carte Catering. Test your knowledge on a wide range of topics. Invite your 'game night' friends to share in the fun, too! RSVP by January 5th (610) 921-0624. Hosted by The Party People.

The Jewish Federation will be closed
Thursday and Friday,
January 1 and 2, 2015
Have a Happy & Healthy New Year

LAKIN PRESCHOOL

Weather related closings & delays will be announced on local radio stations by 7:30am and www.readingeagle.com -- Lakin Preschool. Please be sure to check one of these sources BEFORE bringing your child to school.



The preschoolers are hearing all about Navajo Indians.



Kindermusik Village

is now at Lakin Preschool!
Newborn to 18 months

Through a unique blend of multi-level activities including creative movement, vocal play, object and instrument exploration, your baby's growth and development are stimulated and all of his senses engaged.

Classes meet Thursday mornings
9:15am - 10:00am

Session 1: Jan 22-March 12
Session 2: March 19-May 14

Call Judy Synnamon today for information on registering
484-332-5981

LAKIN PRESCHOOL



Exploration Time
Music & Dance
Instrument Play
Expert Advice
Together time!

LAKIN PRESCHOOL of Reform Congregation Oheb Sholom
555 Warwick Drive, Wyomissing

DAILY ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

MONDAYS		
ABC Music & Me Feb. 9 to May 11	1:00-1:30pm	3,4 & 5 yrs.
TUESDAYS		
Soccer Shots Jan. 13 to Feb. 24	1:00-1:30pm	3,4 & 5yrs.
THURSDAYS		
Kaleidoscope Jan. 15 to Feb. 26 Mar. 5 to Apr. 16 Apr. 23 to May 28	12:30-1:30pm	Adventurers
ALL SCHOOL DAYS		
Lunch Hour	11:30-12:30pm	All ages
Stay and Play	12:30-3:00pm	All ages

Lakin Preschool SNOWFLAKE BALL

featuring **"FROZEN"**

Wednesday, February 18
(snowdate February 19)

5:30 - 7:30pm at RCOS Social Hall

\$5 per child (children under 2 are Free)

\$10 per adult with pizza (optional)

Children ages newborn to 12 (with their parents) are invited to join in the fun of a "just for kids" dance party. Locally renowned DJ Mike Kindlich from Jam on Sound will have the kids hopping with his energetic mix of kid's music & interactive games (prizes, too!) Pizza, beverages and dessert will be provided. Parents are requested to stay with their children. Children are welcome to dress up in their holiday best - a great chance to wear those special outfits again before they get packed away.

...Dancing, Dinner, Games & Lots of Fun!!

Because our winter dance party is one of our most popular family events, *advance registration is required*. Please return this form with payment by February 12th.

We will attend Lakin Preschool **SNOWFLAKE BALL** Dance Party

Name _____

adults _____ # children _____ \$ _____ enclosed (170FEB)

Check payable to RCOS Lakin Preschool or credit card payment

Mastercard/Visa/Discover # _____

Exp Date _____ Security Code _____ (3 digit # on back of card)

Name on Card _____

Signature _____

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

1:00 pm -- Luncheon catered by Boscov's Ala Carte*
1:45 pm -- Program/Speaker. Varied programs are informative, educational and fun.

1st Thursday each month: Blood pressure screening at 1:00 pm
*Optional luncheon (\$6). RSVP to Carole at the JCC by Monday.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE JANUARY PROGRAMS

- 1 – No Friendship Circle. Happy New Year!
- 8 – Ann Barlet from Berks County Area Agency on Aging will present "Senior Exploits." This 20 minute video helps active senior citizens avoid scams.
- 15 – Attorney Russell Farbiarz will provide an estate planning overview and discuss the changing POA laws.
- 22 – THURSDAY FILM FESTIVAL. "Inside the Marx Brothers." Have your taxi pick you up at 3:30. Film is FREE. (Optional lunch \$6)
- 29 – Learn about Groundhog's Day with Zachary Langley.

Thursday Film Festival January 22 ... 1:45pm

"The Marx Brothers Collection: Inside the Marx Brothers"

"The Marx Brothers Collection: Inside the Marx Brothers". Take an in-depth look at the personal lives and careers of the famous Marx Brothers. Fans will delight in this broad collection of Marx memorabilia, including favorites such as "Animal Crackers" and "Duck Soup," as well as interviews and rare footage. (72 min.)

JCC Youth Event

For Grades 1 to 6

Sunday, February 22
1:00 to 3:30 pm



Game Night at the JCC!

Interested in playing Mah Jongg, Canasta or another game? Please let me know if Monday nights or Thursday nights work for you? Call Amanda at 610.921.0624



Join us for **Bridge** at the JCC Duplicate Bridge Club Wednesdays at 12:30pm. All players are welcome. If you need a partner call Sue Wesner 610-972-5327 or Greg Kiddy 484-332-6871. Sanctioned by the American Contract Bridge League
\$3 JCC members \$6 Nonmembers



Mah Jongg is played at the JCC every Monday at noon. Everyone is welcome to join the games. Contact Jayne Kleinman, jayne@JFReading.org