

THE CENTERPIECE

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READING JEWISH FILM SERIES 2017

The Jewish Cultural Center is proud to announce the third season of the Reading Jewish Film Series, co-sponsored by the Rubin Educational Fund of the Jewish Federation of Reading and Fox Theatres. Admission is \$5 per film or \$30 for the series of seven films. All films will be shown on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm at Fox East 4350 PERKIOMEN AVENUE, READING. Tickets can be purchased at the theater beginning at 6:30pm on the day of the screening or series tickets can be bought at the JCC. Cash and checks are accepted.



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18 — 7:00 PM

*with the Central Pennsylvania African American Museum

ROSENWALD

USA | 2015 | Documentary | 95 minutes | English

Director: Aviva Kempner



Aviva Kempner's *Rosenwald* is the incredible story of Julius Rosenwald, who never finished high school, but rose to become the President of Sears. Influenced by the writings of the educator Booker T. Washington, this Jewish philanthropist joined forces with African American communities during the Jim Crow South to build over 5,300 schools during the early

part of the 20th century. Inspired by the Jewish ideals of tzedakah (charity) and tikkun olam (repairing the world), and a deep concern over racial inequality in America, Julius Rosenwald used his wealth to become one of America's most effective philanthropists. He gave away \$62 million in his lifetime.

Proceeds benefit Central Pennsylvania African American Museum. Post-film discussion with Gary Miller, CPAAM Secretary and Robert Jefferson, Active Community figure.

All films will be shown at Fox East, 4350 Perkiomen Avenue (next to Boscov's)

TECH TUESDAY



Tuesdays
4pm at the JCC

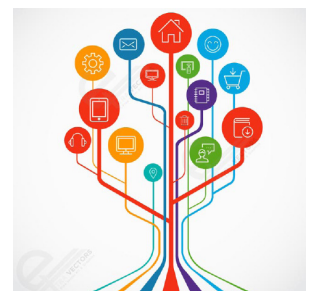
Free classes for anyone wanting to learn more about their electronic devices with hands on learning experiences and handouts.

January 31: Internet and computer privacy (please bring your laptop, phone or tablet)

February 7: Macbook Pro (please bring your Apple laptop)

February 14: Google Calendar (Please bring your laptop, phone or tablet)

Do you have a suggestion for an upcoming tech training session? Let us know! Call Amanda 610-921-0624 or email AmandaH@jfreading.org



92Y

DVD presentation of an earlier live satellite broadcast

Monday, January 16 at 2pm
at The Highlands (Cultural Center Side B)

“Our Turn: Women Directing on Broadway”
Cultural commentator and journalist Lisa Birnbach hosts a conversation with three of Broadway's most dynamic and influential directors ... who happen to be women.

The “Great White Way” has historically been dominated by men. In 2004, only two new plays were directed by women. By 2013, women won both Tony awards for directing. Join longtime artistic director of the Manhattan Theatre Club and award winner Lynne Meadow, Tony award winning director and choreographer Susan Stroman, and Pam MacKinnon, Tony Award and Drama Desk winner, to hear how they broke through the velvet curtains and became sought-after directors on Broadway, and elsewhere.

Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. The program model involves reading the Great Decisions Briefing Book, watching the DVD and meeting in a discussion group to discuss the most critical global issues facing America today.



GREAT DECISIONS

Meeting at the JCC
Monday mornings 10:30 am until Noon
March 6 through May 1 (NO class April 17 due to Passover)

PREPARE TO DISCUSS THE WORLD

2017 Topics:

- * The Future of Europe
- * Trade and Politics
- * Conflict in the South China Sea
- * US Foreign Policy and Petroleum
- * Saudi Arabia in Transition
- * Latin America's Political Pendulum
- * Nuclear Security
- * Prospects for Afghanistan & Pakistan

\$35 one person, one book or \$40 two persons, one book
To register for Great Decisions and to order a copy of the Great Decisions Briefing Book contact Amanda Hornberger AmandaH@JFReading.org

Foreign Policy Association



Happy New Year!

THE JCC WILL BE CLOSED ON
MONDAY, JANUARY 2ND

LAKIN PRESCHOOL

Visit our website www.LakinPreschool.com

Emergency 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.

Thanks from the students and teachers at Lakin Preschool for our beautiful playground. This was accomplished through the generosity of the Lakin family, Jewish Federation, many hardworking and generous Preschool families and private donations.



Babies Music! Moms! Yoga! Toddlers!
Fun! Grandmas! Join Us! Dads! Creative Play Time!

LAKIN PRESCHOOL
JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREAT BRITAIN

These Lakin Preschool programs are targeted specifically to babies and children under 2 years old. These classes are designed to stimulate young children while bonding with parents or caregivers. We are currently accepting enrollment.

Kindermusik Village: 0-18 months

Kindermusik Our Time: 18 months- 3 y

While bonding with your baby in the Village class, enjoy multi-level activities including creative movement, object and instrument exploration, and vocal play. Your baby's growth and development are stimulated and all of his senses engaged! Parents and caregivers participate with their children.

Sprouts: 9 months – 24 months

Toddlers are great companions! Join Sprouts and discover lots of activities to help you teach and stimulate your child while enhancing the parent-child bond. This class will be your child's earliest experience of Preschool.

Structured for the needs and abilities of 9 - 24 month old toddlers, these classes provide both creative playtime as well as small and large muscle activity. Yoga poses will also be incorporated. Parents or caregivers participate with their children.

Visit the Toy Library! Mondays 9-11 AM

Come to Room 8 and have some coffee while you watch your child play with some toys. Structured and non-structured activities will be presented, and you may even borrow a toy to take home!

For the toddler, every day brings new discoveries and opportunities to explore the world. Kindermusik *Our Time* encourages children to be creative, to initiate their own ideas and to respond in their own ways, while the parents' active participation gives the toddlers the security they need. Playing instruments, singing, moving, and exploring uncover an engaging musical world while building the toddlers' confidence, self-control, and communications skills.

MOMMY & ME PROGRAMS 0 - 3 Years Old				FEE
Kindermusik Village 0 mths. - 18 mths.	Monday	10:00 -10:45	2) Dec. 5 - Feb. 13	\$100
Kindermusik Our Time 18 mths. - 3 yrs.	Monday	9:00 - 9:45	2) Feb. 13 - May 8	\$200
Sprouts	Wednesday	9:00 - 10:00	2) Jan. 18 - May 10	\$170
PRESCHOOL ENRICHMENT				
Kindermusik ABC Music & Me	Monday	1:00 - 1:30	2) Dec. 5 - Mar. 20	\$160
Soccer Shots	Tuesday	12:30 - 1:00	TBA	
Torah Tots	Sunday	9:30 - 10:30 am	Jan. 22, Feb. 26, March 12, April 12	\$18
I Love Stories	Wednesday	12:30 - 1:30	Jan. 18 - May 10	\$170
Kaleidoscope	Thursday	12:30 - 3:00	Dec. 22 - Feb. 9: Adventures in Art	\$165
			Feb. 16 - March 30 Fairy Tales	\$165
			Apr 6-May18: Childrens Authors	\$165
Fun and Games	Friday	12:30 - 1:30	#2: Jan 20 - May 19	\$160
Stay & Play/ Early Am	Everyday	12:30 - 3:00	As needed	\$7.75/hr

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

1:00 pm -- Luncheon catered by Boscov's Ala Carte*

1:45 pm -- Program/Speaker. Varied programs are informative, educational and fun.

*Optional luncheon (\$6). RSVP to Carole at the JCC by Monday.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE JANUARY PROGRAMS

- 5: Celebrate the New Year with musician Steven Barth.
- 12: Lenore Meyerson, KZ secretary, will share her adventures in Malawi, Africa with us. She participated in a scientific research project with Earthwatch at the Majete Wildlife Reserve.
- 19: Join Kelly Arnold for Armchair Yoga.
- 26: Brush up your Yiddish and join us for the Thursday Film Festival "Yiddle With His Fiddle". Have your taxi pick you at 3:30.



Lakin Kingdom Dance

Wednesday, March 8

(Snow date: Thursday, March 9)

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

\$5 per child (children under age 2 are FREE)

\$10 per adult with pizza (optional)

Advance registration is required

Speak with Judy or your child's teacher to register



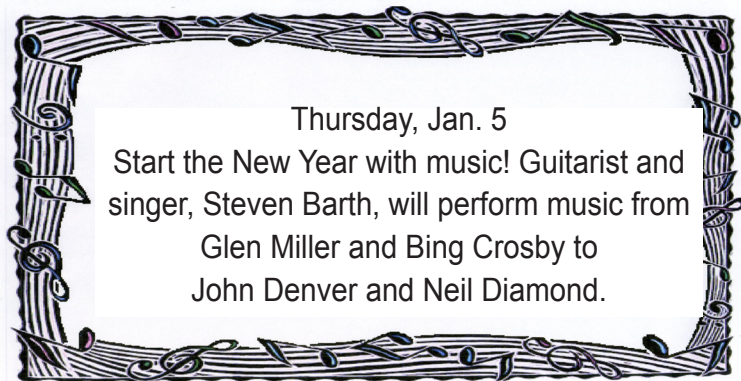
Children (with their parents) ages newborn to 12 are invited to join in a celebration of The Lakin Kingdom at a "just for kids" dance party! Locally renowned DJ Mike Kindlich from Jam on Sound will have the kids hopping with his energetic mix of kid's music and interactive games (prizes, too!)



Children are encouraged to dress up in royal attire or costumes.

Pizza, beverages and desserts will be provided.

We request that parents please stay with their children.



Thursday, Jan. 5

Start the New Year with music! Guitarist and singer, Steven Barth, will perform music from Glen Miller and Bing Crosby to John Denver and Neil Diamond.

Little Stars classes will be offered additional days for children who are 24 months plus. If you would like to start your child in Little Stars or add days to your Little Stars child's week, please consider sending them on a Tuesday or Thursday starting January 24. We will be offering these additional days under the supervision of Adrienne Cardinal and Anna Johnson. As always, if you have any questions/comments, please feel free to contact Judy Synnaron: school@ohebsholom.org or 484-332-5981. There are only a few spaces available, so please register soon.

"Yiddle With His Fiddle"



Thursday Film Festival
January 26, 1:45 pm

In order to survive, penniless bass player Arie (Simche Fostel) becomes a traveling musician with his young violinist daughter Itke (Molly Picon), whom he dresses up as a man. Itke faces a tough dilemma when she falls in love with a boy and can't reveal she's a girl. (92 min.)

SAVE THE DATE

COMING UP

Sunday, February 5:
PJ Library Event

Friday February 10:
Community Shabbat



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 Brian Snyder 484-838-0977. 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 Amanda Hornberger, AmandaH@JFReading.org