

# March 2019

## The Centerpiece

is your Programming Guide  
for the Jewish Cultural Center  
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Jewish Cultural Center  
92nd St. Y Programs  
Game Nights  
Community Shabbat  
Reading Jewish Film Series  
Great Decisions  
Interfaith Mitzvah Day  
Yom Ha'atzmaut  
PJ Library  
PJ Our Way  
Leo Camp Lecture

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 6pm Community Shabbat Service 7pm Dinner Hosted by JCC Venue RCOS	2
3 9:30am JCHS Kids Yoga: 3pm ages 5-10 4pm ages 10-15	4	5 Noon ROMEO club lunch at Wyomissing Restaurant & Bakery	6 7pm Jewish Film Series at Fox East	7 1pm Friendship Circle	8	9
10 9:30am JCHS 11am Better Together 2pm RCOS Sisterhood Event	11 2pm JCC Movie Monday "RGB"	12	13 5:30pm Lakin Pre- school Dance Party 7pm Col.Eran Lerman, "Israel Prospects for Conflict Resolution"	14 1pm Friendship Circle	15	16 7:45 JCC Purim Party at Chabad
17 9:30am JCHS 1pm Social Action Film Series	18 2pm 92Y program at Highlands	19	20 RCOS Purim Spiel KZ Megilah Reading  <b>EREV PURIM</b>	21 1pm Friendship Circle 5pm Family Purim event at Chabad  <b>PURIM</b>	22	23 10am PJ Library Tot Shabbat at Highlands
24 9:30am JCHS	25	26	27 6-8pm Lakin Pre- school Open House	28 1pm Friendship Circle	29	30
31 Bus trip to NYC hosted by Chabad						

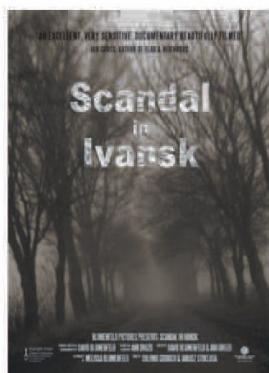
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Tech Tuesday  
Yom Hazikaron  
Art Exhibits  
Yom Hashoah  
Annual Meeting and Picnic  
Purim Carnival  
Richard J. Yashek  
Memorial Lecture  
Kristallnacht Remembrance  
Youth Events  
Purim Masquerade Party  
Bridge  
Chevra  
Mahjong  
Trips to NYC/Philadelphia  
Lakin Holocaust Library  
& Resource Center  
Shabbat B'yachad  
Community Calendar



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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6 — 7:00 PM  
**SCANDAL IN IVANSK\***  
Poland/Israel|2017|Documentary|Polish, Hebrew with English subtitles|Director: David Blumfeld, Ami Drozd



This eye-opening documentary illuminates the small Polish town of Ivansk, where one word ignites a nationwide controversy. Most of Ivansk's Jews were killed by the Nazis, and the headstones in the Jewish cemetery were plundered for construction purposes.

A group of descendants of Ivansk Jews restore the town's cemetery, retrieving what headstones they can. When they commission a plaque that includes the word "collaborator," a national scandal is unleashed.

\*Post-film discussion led by Dr. John Incledon, Holocaust Studies faculty from Albright College

**92Y**

DVD Program  
Monday, March 18, 2pm  
at the Highlands Cultural Center

**Itzhak Perlman in Conversation  
with Alan Alda**



If there's anyone who personifies the resilience, the vision and the contribution of the Jewish people, it's Itzhak Perlman, whose transcendent violin playing evokes the depth of the human experience.

Don't miss the master in person when he joins acclaimed actor and writer Alan Alda for a conversation on his life and work, touching on the fascinating similarities and differences between performing music and acting.

### RCOS Social Action Film Series

reflect activism, environmental issues, peaceful relationships, conflict resolution and understanding others. Funded by the RCOS Social Action Committee. Discussions and refreshments will follow the films. RCOS members and friends are invited to attend. All films are shown on Sundays at 1:00pm.

March 17 at 1pm  
"Triple Divide"

Exposes the mishandling and cover-up of drinking water contamination related to unconventional natural gas extraction -- aka fracking -- in Pennsylvania.

**Save the Date:**  
April 3 -- 15th Annual  
Richard J. Yashek Lecture  
featuring David Fishman, Ph.D.



ENRICHING LIVES  
מעשירים חיים

Emergency closings & delays will be announced on local radio stations by 7:30am and [www.readingeagle.com](http://www.readingeagle.com) -- Lakin Preschool. Every LPS family will also receive an email.

# 5, 4, 3, 2, 1... BLAST OFF!!!



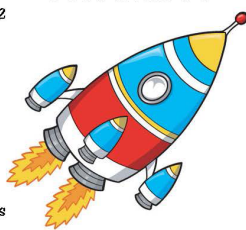
## Lakin Dance Party

Wednesday, March 13, 2019  
5:30 - 7:30 PM

In  
RCOS Social Hall

Children ages newborn to 12 years & their parents are invited to a **5, 4, 3, 2, 1... Blast Off** Dance Party!  
\$5.00 per child  
\$10.00 per adult  
FREE for children under 2 years' old

Pizza, beverages, & desserts will be provided.



Local DJ Mike Kindlich from Jam on Sound will have the kids hopping with an energetic mix of kid's music & interactive games (prizes too!)

Kids are encouraged to dress in costume.

We request parents stay with their children!

Our winter dance party is one of our most popular family events. Advance registration is required!

Come to our  
**OPEN HOUSE**  
on March 27th  
6 to 8pm  
+ bring your friends, too!



LAKIN PRESCHOOL



## Kids Yoga

Sunday, March 3 at JCC  
with Sarena Kabakoff  
\$5 per child for non members  
Free for JCC members.  
3-3:45pm for 5 to 10 year olds  
4-5pm for 10 to 15 year olds

RSVP required by March 1 to  
[info@jfreeding.org](mailto:info@jfreeding.org) or 610-921-0624  
Minimum number required to hold event.



## Sunday, March 10 -- 2 to 4pm Sisterhood Judaica Painting! at RCOS

\$40 includes 12 x 12 canvas  
Instruction by Bernadette Bresnahan  
Reserve by March 1st  
610-375-6034

## PJ Library invites you to... TOT SHABBAT

Saturday, March 23  
10am  
Highlands Cultural Center

Rabbi Michelson will lead a special intergenerational musical Shabbat service followed by a pint-sized Oneg!

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

No RSVP necessary.  
For questions or more information please  
contact Amanda at 610-921-0624



## Community Purim Events

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16 – 7:45PM**  
PURIM PARTY AT CHABAD

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**  
PURIM AT RCOS

**6PM – MEGILLAH READING** (not intended for young children)  
**6:30PM -- DINNER**

**7PM - PURIM PLAY** -- "All Disney" musical comedy retelling of the Book of Esther. Open to the entire community! RSVP by March 13 to ensure a seat for the dinner and show.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21**  
**5:00PM**

**"PURIM IN THE AIR" at Chabad**  
Family Purim event sponsored  
by JCC and Chabad

TICKET COST: \$15 ADULTS AND \$8 CHILDREN  
Includes Food and Entertainment.  
Come dressed up - "Air Theme" optional.  
RSVP to Brenda at 610-921-0624 or  
[LipskerReading@aol.com](mailto:LipskerReading@aol.com)



Free Movie & Free Popcorn

Monday, March 11, 2pm at JCC  
"RBG"

Documentary about Ruth Bader Ginsburg.  
2019 Oscar nominee for Best Documentary

## Friendship Circle

1:00pm: Luncheon (optional \$7) catered by Boscov's Ala Carte\*  
RSVP to Carole at the JCC by Monday.

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

## Friendship Circle March Programs

7: "The American Flag: From Military Signpost to Emblem of a Nation" presented by Judith Kraines

14: Join Kim Kostival from Genesis Health Care to learn "Simple Ways to Improve Your Memory".

21: Celebrate Purim with hamentaschen and fun!

28: Enjoy a "Hawaiian Luau" with musician Steve Walker.

March 28 at 1:45 pm "Hawaiian Luau"

Take a trip to the tropics with Steve Walker! He sings and plays the songs of the islands on ukulele, guitar, and harmonicas. Steve was named the "Best String Instrument Player" at the Lehigh Valley Music Awards. He gets your toes tapping, your face smiling and your heart singing! Program sponsored by the Jacob Krumholz Fund.



## Community Family Trip to New York City

Sunday March 31

Leaving Chabad at 8am and Returning at 7:30pm  
\$25 Co-sponsored by Chabad Lubavitch of Berks County & Jewish Federation of Reading.

Reservations: Brenda 610-921-0624 or  
[LipskerReading@aol.com](mailto:LipskerReading@aol.com)

\* Visit a Matzah Bakery  
\* See a scribe in action

\* Enjoy the hands-on Jewish Children's Museum  
\* Judaica Stores, Kosher shops and more



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](mailto:AmandaH@JFReading.org)