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The Centerpiece
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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 JCC Closed Rosh Hashanah	2	3	4	5 10am RCOS Haftorah
6 10:30am KZ Cemetery Service 1pm RCOS Cemetery Service	7 7pm Literatour Berks Presents E.R.Ramzipoor, author of <i>The Ventriloquists</i> At Exeter Community Library	8 ROMEO lunch at Wyomissing Restaurant (Note change to 2nd Tuesday at noon) Erev Yom Kippur	9 JCC Closed Yom Kippur	10	11	12 Sydney Streib Bat Mitzvah
13 Erev Sukkot	14 JCC Closed Sukkot	15 JCC Closed Sukkot	16 7pm Literatour Berks and Womens Philanthropy present Angela Himsel, author of <i>The River Could be a Tree</i> , at JCC	17	18	19 10am PJ Library and Tot Shabbat on Farm, at Brecknock Orchard
20	21 JCC Closed Shemini Atzeret	22 JCC Closed Simchat Torah	23 7pm Jewish Family Service program on Social Security at JCC RSVP to Sari	24	25 7:45pm Amy Jill Levine Speaker Series at RCOS	26 10am Amy Jill Levine speaking
27 7pm JFR Community Program; Leadership Speaker at Miller Center for the Arts—Ambassador Ido Aharoni	28	29	30 7pm Jewish Family Service program on Wills and Power of Attorney RSVP to Sari	31		

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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



You are Invited

**Jewish Federation of Reading/Berks
Community Program**


with
Ambassador Ido Aharoni
Global Distinguished Professor for International Relations - New York Univ.
Former Consul-General of Israel

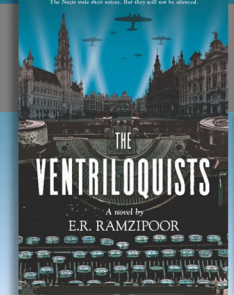
Sunday, October 27, 2019
7:00 p.m.
Miller Center for the Arts Reading

Please RSVP by October 19th
Phone: 610-921-0624 / e-mail: info@JFReading.org / online: ReadingJewishCommunity.org

Mr. Aharoni is a 25-year veteran of Israel's foreign service, including serving for six years as Consul-General in New York, overseeing the operations of Israel's largest diplomatic mission worldwide. He has been recognized for his contribution to the field of public diplomacy from national Jewish organizations and other social-impact charities. He is the Founder of two annual public diplomacy conferences: BTC (Broadening the Conversation 2011-2014) and the Beyond Conference (2015 to present.) In 2015, he was awarded Honorary Governor by Tel Aviv University. In 2013, The Algemeiner named him among the "Top 100 People Positively Influencing Jewish Life," commonly known as the "Jewish 100."

We welcome your Community Campaign gift or contribution at this program.





The Ventriloquists

with E. R. Ramzipoor

**Monday
October 7th**

7 p.m.

Exeter Community Library

Registration required.
Call - 610-406-9431

Brussels, 1943. Twelve-year-old street orphan Helene survives by living as a boy and selling copies of the country's most popular newspaper, *Le Soir*, now turned into Nazi propaganda. Helene's entire world changes when she befriends a rogue journalist, Marc Aubron, who draws her into a secret network publishing dissident underground newspapers. Copies of *The Ventriloquists* will be available for sale onsite through Barnes & Noble Wyomissing.



Exeter Community Library | 4569 Prestwick Dr., Reading, PA 19606 | 610-406-9431 |

A River Could be a Tree

with Angela Himsel

**Wednesday
October 16th**

7 p.m.

**Jewish Cultural Center
1100 Berkshire Blvd.
Suite 125
Wyomissing, PA 19610**

Registration required.
To register, visit:
www.ReadingJewishCommunity.org/home/literatour

The seventh of eleven children, Angela grew up in southern Indiana in an apocalyptic, doomsday Christian faith. Himsel's memoir follows her journey attempting to understand the church's strict tenets and time spent in Israel during college. Instead of strengthening her Christian faith, her time in Israel made her question Christianity itself. She ultimately converted to Judaism and lives in New York City with her family.

Copies of *A River Could be a Tree* will be available for sale onsite through Reads & Company.






Amazing Athletes

A unique, structured program for preschoolers ages 2 and up. It is especially designed to enhance a child's learning experience through movement. At Amazing Athletes, children learn the basic fundamentals and mechanics of 9 different sports while also building self-confidence, practicing teamwork and improving 7 key areas of motor development. Go to www.amazingathletes.com to register.

Meets: Friday 12:30-1:00pm
Session 1: Sept. 14 to Jan. 18
Session 2: Jan. 25 to May 10

Soccer Shots

A uniquely designed program that will introduce your child to soccer in a fun, safe and controlled environment. Each session offers basic soccer skills, fun games and healthy competition. Our program also emphasizes character-forming lessons such as fair play, individual concentration, cooperation and encouragement. Go to www.berkscounty.ssreg.org for more information.

Ages: 3 to 5 years old
Meets: Tuesday 12:30-1:00 pm
Dates and Fees: TBA

Toy Library

Come to Room 7 for some play time and socializing! Your child will participate in some unstructured play with other children and will practice developmentally appropriate behaviors while you chat with other moms. (Great activity either before or after the Kindermusik class!)

Ages: Birth to 3 years
Meets: Monday 9:00-11:00 am

Torah Tots

This class is designed to foster your child's love for and identification with Judaism. It is taught by a Judaic Studies educator, and it complements our Jewish curriculum through exploration of Jewish Holidays, songs, stories and customs.

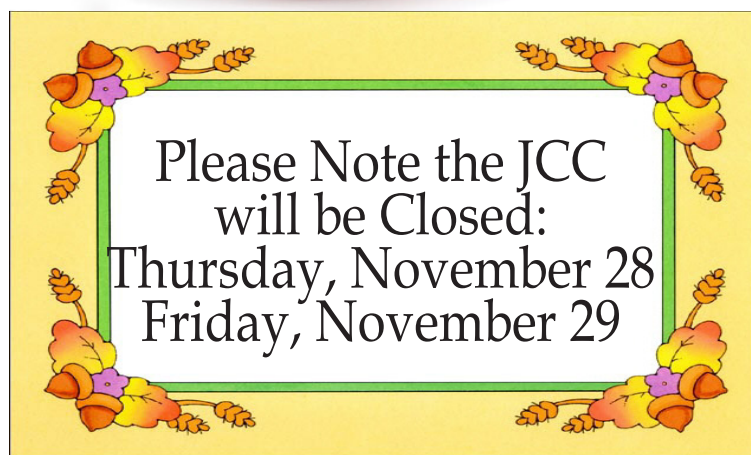
Ages: 2 to 5 years old
Meets: Mondays, 12:30-1:00pm
Session 1: Sept. 23, Oct. 14, Nov. 18, Dec. 16; Fee \$36

Sprouts

Toddlers are great companions! Join Sprouts and discover lots of activities to help you teach and stimulate your child while enhancing the caregiver-child bond. 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 through unstructured play and yoga activities.



The Lakin Preschool is participating in the Giant A+ School Rewards Program, a great fundraising program that runs through March 2019. Our school earns CASH through this exciting program. You can help. Log on to www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus and choose "Designate Your School" **LAKIN PRESCHOOL # 25824** from the CUSTOMER ZONE to register your card online. Then, each time you shop at Giant using your BONUSCARD, you will earn CASH for our school. You can track the amount of points you earn for our school by checking your grocery receipt. Each month, the amount of CASH awarded will be updated on the Giant website. Our school will receive a check at the end of the program. The money can be used for any of our school's educational needs. Taking just a minute of your time to register your Card can make a huge difference to our school. We need your support. Also, don't forget to encourage your friends and neighbors to do the same. Thank You!!



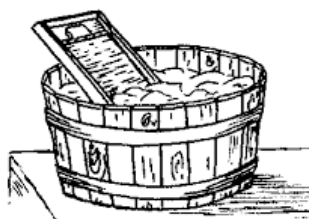
Friendship Circle

Thursdays -- Optional Luncheon at 1:00pm: \$7 catered by Boscov's Ala Carte* -- RSVP to Carole at the JCC by Monday. 2:00 unless otherwise noted -- Program/Speaker. Varied programs are informative, educational and fun.

Friendship Circle October Programs

- 3: "Similarities between Eastern European Jewry and Pennsylvania Dutch Culture"
10: "It's Wash Day!"
17: "The Voice and Vocal Hygiene" Retired speech therapist Betsy Katz will offer techniques and suggestions to keep your speaking and singing voice sounding younger and more vibrant.
24 at 1:45pm: Thursday Film Festival. "RBG" Taxi pick up at 3:30.
31: "Matter of Balance" with Tower Health and BE2U. This program can help reduce the fear of falling and increase the activity levels of older adults who have concerns about falling. It will also help participants change their environment to reduce fall risk factors.

October 10 at 2pm IT'S WASH DAY!



This informative and entertaining program will take folks of all ages back to the old fashioned laundry days. Bob and Susie Lee will share their extensive antique laundry day collection and knowledge of Wash Day from the 1700's to 1940. Soaps, machines, and all kinds of other tools are on display and explained with humor and history.

Thursday, Oct.3 at 2:00pm

"Similarities between Eastern European Jewry and Pennsylvania Dutch Culture"

Erica Cohen Hamilton, Associate at the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, will discuss local Pennsylvania Dutch folk art and fitting art into the context of culture. She will highlight the cross-cultural similarities and historic/contemporary relationship between the Pennsylvania Dutch and Eastern-European Jewish populations in America. Materials will be provided for attendees to create their own unique culturally inspired designs to take home.

Thursday Film Festival -- Oct. 24 at 1:45 pm
"RBG"



This engaging documentary focuses on the life and career of trailblazer Ruth Bader Ginsburg, the second female U.S. Supreme Court Justice. RBG has established a breathtaking legal legacy, including her career-defining work in gender-discrimination law, while becoming an unexpected pop culture icon (97 min.)



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