

FEBRUARY 2021

Confronting the Shoah

This course provides participants with comprehensive contextual and historical knowledge regarding the Nazi Holocaust.

Presented by: Dr. David Lindquist

February 2, 9, 16, 23 March 9 & 16

This 6 week class is FREE and open to everyone!

7 pm via Zoom

Registration is open - call the office at (260) 456-0400

or email office@fwjf.org

Major funding for the program is provided by the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation and by gifts to the JFFW's annual campaign




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LIVE VIRTUAL TOUR

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A special tour to NE Indiana's best local brewery - Chapman's Brewing Company, followed by an introduction to the local Jewish Community.

March 7th 1:00 ET	19:00 BUD 20:00 ISR
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Rosh Chodesh invites you to learn about Minnette Baum

Please join us virtually on Monday, March 8, when Harriet Miller will talk about the amazing life and times of Minnette Baum.



The event is free and open to all. More information soon.

Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support.

Rosh Chodesh hosts "Cooking with Chef Marla"

Please join us virtually on Sunday, March 14 at 3 pm, when we will cook for Pesach and kibitz with Chef Marla Cohen.

The event is free and open to all. More information soon.

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Our mission is to support the well-being and continuity of the Jewish people in greater Fort Wayne, in Israel, and throughout the world.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - JAKI SCHREIER



Minute of Inspiration Presented by Jaki Schreier at Downtown Fort Wayne Rotary January 25, 2021

This past week as we commemorated the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., we've reflected on the mighty power and the passion behind the words he both wrote and spoke, ... which still profoundly resonate

decades later across this great land of ours.

This past week, we also heard President Joe Biden speak passionately about the need for unity ... and we listened to the youngest Poet Laureate in U.S. History, Amanda Gorman reminding all Americans that there will always be light, if only we're brave enough to see it, if only we're brave enough to be it.

History's greatest leaders used speech for the common good. As a master of the English language, Winston Churchill's words inspired his nation during their darkest hour. Franklin Roosevelt provided comfort through his fireside chats.

The substance of their words reminded those on the home fronts, truthfully, of the many challenges they would be facing and of the many sacrifices yet required. These leaders made it clear, however, ... that if everyone did their part by working together, they would come out the other side in day light, both stronger and victorious.

Their words bring to mind ... the real power of how we choose to use speech. For it is speech that allows us to communicate and share with others, not only our fears and pain, but also our hopes, our loves and our good intentions. Speech allows us to convey to others who we really are and is at the very heart of human brotherhood.

Unfortunately, we have also seen the pain and lasting harm caused by divisive speech, whether it is from those in leadership positions or from those we interact with on a daily basis.

Let's instead rise up together and be inspired by those who have used speech constructively to champion for social justice and the greater welfare of all, ... and to honor all those who have spoken in unity at moments in history, ... when it might have been easier just to be silent. Because what we do and say, ... does matter.

Fellow Rotarians, by adopting and practicing the Four Way Test, we have acknowledged the beauty and the dignity of every human being. Therefore, let us use our words kindly and with compassion and pray that we never take the gift of language lightly.

May G-d bless all of us.

Thank you.

1921-2021 - 100 Years of Tikkun Olam

In 2019, the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne assembled a special committee to create a variety of commemorative programming and events to honor the work the Federation has done since its inception.

In order to assemble the historical information and to work with the committee on this once-in-a-century milestone, we have enlisted the talents and experience of Sara Fiedelholz. We feel very fortunate to have someone of Sara's caliber and experience joining us.



Sara Fiedelholz has 25-years of experience as an editor/reporter, publishing director and creative strategist. Most recently she served as the editor-in-chief of Fort Wayne magazine. She is currently the executive producer/host of & GOOD COMPANY, a local weekly television and radio/podcast program that provides the opportunity to have meaningful conversations. Fiedelholz has extensive experience working as a creative strategist assisting organizations and businesses in executing branding/marketing strategies utilizing content as the foundation to engage and inform. Fiedelholz holds an Executive MBA from Kellogg School of Management/Northwestern University, an MSJ from Columbia University and a BA from Tufts University.



Your Direct Connection to Israel

[Partnership2Gether \(P2G\)](#) is a program of the [Jewish Agency](#) and the [Jewish Federations of North America](#). The vision of P2G is to build a global and united Jewish people made up of a tapestry of strong, lively, flourishing and interconnected Jewish individuals, families and communities working together to enrich Jewish continuity, identity and cultural understanding between Jews in Israel and their peers around the world. [Read more here.](#)

From Our Friends at [Partnership2Gether!](#)

Along with 13 other U.S. cities and Budapest, Hungary, our Federation belongs to the Central Area Consortium, partnered with the Western Galilee area of Israel. Our members have benefited from programs we've offered with guests who've come from the Western Galilee to Fort Wayne, as well as opportunities to travel in our Partnership area. We are excited to share with you a diverse list of a la carte programs from our [Partnership2Gether](#). We invite you to sign up for the programs that spark your interest! These programs are a great way to engage with Jewish communities throughout our [Partnership2Gether](#) Consortium without needing to leave your home.



BOOKCLUB

Feb. 7th 1:00 pm ET

20:00 Israel 19:00 Budapest

P2G Book Club
February 7th @ 1:00 PM ET
Join the 5th Book Club event,
this time discussing the
book "A Pigeon and a Boy",
by famous Israeli writer Meir
Shalev.

[RSVP HERE](#)

Discussing the Book — **A Pigeon & A BOY**
By **MEIR SHALEV**



MUSIC 2GETHER

VIRTUAL TUTORING WITH ISRAELI MUSIC STUDENTS

Partnership2Gether is looking for musicians and music teachers, who are interested in volunteering monthly to give virtual music lessons for students in the WG.

January - June 2021

For Details Contact:
AvitalBe@Jafi.org



Music2Gether
 We are looking for musicians and music teachers who are interested in volunteering monthly and give virtual music lessons to students in the Western Galilee.
 For more information, contact Avital: AvitalBe@jafi.org

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Tu B'Shevat Tu Bish'vat

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Tu B'Shevat, the Jewish New Year of the Trees, marks the start of spring in Israel, when trees begin to bloom after a long, cold winter. Tu B'Shevat is often referred to as the Birthday of the Trees, but with today's keen environmental awareness, we might also think of it as a Jewish Earth Day.

Tu B'Shevat gets its name from the date when it falls on the Hebrew calendar: the fifteenth ("tu") day of the Hebrew month of *Shevat*.

In ancient times, Tu B'Shevat helped farmers keep track of how old their crops were. The Torah (the first five books of the Bible) says fruit should not be harvested from a tree until its fourth year [Leviticus 19:23-25], so this day was chosen to mark the trees' birthday.

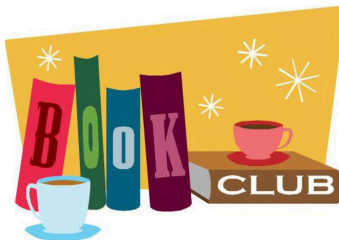
Today, many people celebrate this holiday by participating in a Tu B'Shevat seder (a ceremonial meal) when it's traditional to eat fruits that grow on trees as well as fruits associated with the land of Israel, such as figs, dates, and pomegranates.

Other contemporary Tu B'Shevat traditions include planting a tree, working in a garden, going on a hike, tasting a new fruit for the first time, or donating to an environmental organization. How might your family show its love for trees and the planet?

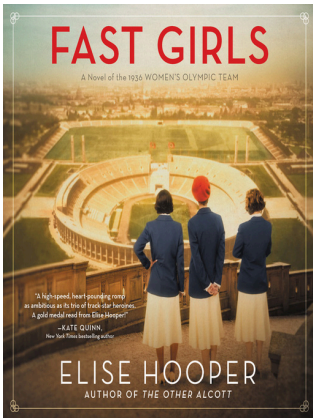
To learn more go to pjlibrary.org/tubshevat.



FEDERATION BOOK CLUB



FAST GIRLS: A Novel of the 1936 Women's Olympic Team, by Elise Hooper



Have you heard of Betty Robinson? How about Helen Stephens? The stars of early women's Olympic track are perhaps not well remembered now, but Elise Hooper's recent novel brings these women to life for us. The novel features Betty and Helen, as well as Louise Stokes, one of the few African-Americans to make the team.

I have a personal interest in Betty Robinson, as she was my great-aunt, having married my grandmother's brother. Although I didn't see her often, I have fond memories of her fun and bubbly personality. Through her daughter, I've kept track of the recent publications about Betty and her teammates, and was most eager to read Elise Hooper's book, the first novel written about the team.

The book focuses on the 1936 Women's track team, and specifically those involved in the relay race. It begins with Betty, her discovery and her success at the 1928 Olympics in Amsterdam. That was the first Olympics for women's track and field. It was still considered "dangerous" for women to run, and the event just barely made it back into the 1932 Olympic program. Betty won a gold medal in Amsterdam for the 100-meter run, and a silver in the 4x100m relay, gaining her a great deal of attention as the first American woman to win gold in track and field. The story of her discovery while running for a train became nationally known – she was on cereal box cards! – and other girls were inspired by her success.

The novel continues following Helen Stephens, a farm girl from Missouri, and Louise Stokes, an African-American from Massachusetts, and their very different paths to the Olympic team. And it stays with Betty and her very dramatic return to the Olympics in 1936 – no spoilers here! Hooper really brings the women to life – their frustrations, struggles and successes. It clearly paints the picture of the attitude toward women and minorities in the 1930s, illustrating how far we've come in some areas but not others.

My one frustration with the text was Hooper's decision to re-create the newspaper articles of the day instead of using the original clippings. She researched the original documents and rewrote them with appropriate language and content. For those, like me, curious about the *real* documentation, you might consider Joe Gergen's biography of Betty, "The First Lady of Olympic Track." This is a fascinating historical look at women's track in the 1920s and 1930s that goes well beyond a simple biography of Betty Robinson.

Fast Girls is a well-written, fascinating and entertaining book, and I heartily recommend it to those who enjoy historical fiction.

Reviewed by Betsy Gephart

UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF BOOKS:

March: **JUST MERCY** by Bryan Stevenson

April: **LITTLE** by Edward Carey



SHARE THE JOY OF JEWISH COMMUNITY

Celebrate the blessing of Jewish community on Friday, February 5 at 6 p.m. on Zoom as we welcome the Sabbath with words, prayer, and special music during our service.

Led by Rabbi Meir with guest music leader Orin Reynolds, our Community Shabbat service is sponsored by the Temple and the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#). Join us as we come together as a congregation with others in the Fort Wayne Jewish community to share the beauty of our traditions, our ties to one another, and the warmth of friendship.

Rabbi Meir will offer a D'var Torah. Members of the Temple and Jewish community will speak, including Amy Shepsman Krouse and Stan Levine.

Enhance your evening with a "Shabbat bag" provided by the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne that includes challah, grape juice, candles and more. Reservations are required to obtain a bag. Kindly RSVP to the Temple office at office@templecav.org or (260) 744-4245 no later than Wednesday, January 27.

Please plan for "contactless" pick up of your bag on Thursday, February 4 between noon and 2 p.m. and Friday, February 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For those who are unable to come during scheduled times, including those who are homebound due to illness, please contact the Temple office during office hours to make other arrangements.

We look forward to welcoming you!

Accessing the service: The Zoom link for online worship services is sent directly to Temple members through our weekly email. We warmly welcome guests to join us for worship. If you would like to share in our services, please contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org for information about accessing online via Zoom.

PURIM FESTIVITIES INCLUDE MEGILLAH READING AND SHPIEL

Visit the streets of Shushan with us from your home on Friday, February 26 at 5:30 p.m. (note the earlier service time) during our virtual Purim celebration. Join Rabbi Meir Barger on when we read from the Megillah and make merry with a shpiel telling the story of Esther, followed by our Shabbat service and Oneg Shabbat.

Be part of this memorable experience online by wearing a crown, cape, or costume to get in the mood. Grab a grogger or a box of macaroni and cheese to shake when Haman's name is read. Have your wine nearby to celebrate the triumph of the Jews of Persia - and remember to save some for Sabbath Kiddush! Nosh on hamentashen with your favorite fillings - check www.templecav.org in the coming weeks for information on preparing them during a fabulous Zoom baking session on Sunday, February 14.

Share this fun evening with our Temple family as we also look forward to better times ahead together. We'll no doubt recall some special memories from Purim 2020, the last time we gathered in our building in March just before we closed due to COVID-19.

FOOD, MITTENS, & MORE FOR THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS FAMILIES

Even though our Thoughtful Thursdays volunteers are unable to be together at the Temple to assemble bags due to COVID-19, they have really stepped up to gather the necessary items for the bags.

Whether shopping in person or ordering online for delivery to the Temple, our volunteers are making sure that we will have food for the Brightpoint Head Start families through the end of their school year in May. Thank you to our amazing team!

The Jewish community not only made the Thoughtful Thursdays Turkey Project in November the most successful to date, but their generosity helped with a few immediate needs of some of the Brightpoint Head Start children.

We were able to give each child a pair of warm, waterproof mittens before they left for winter break. We also provided 10 pairs of sweatpants to be kept for "emergencies" on site and three warm, winter jackets to children who had none. Thank you to our wonderful Jewish community!

This month we will be sending home bags that include peanut butter, jelly, chicken rice soup, canned mandarin oranges, crackers, four rolls of toilet paper, tissues, hand sanitizer, and a Valentine goodie bag, as well as a few extras thanks to the generosity of our community.

Thoughtful Thursdays is a project of [Congregation Achduth Vesholom](#) and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.

Remember, hunger doesn't stop just because there is a pandemic!

Sally Trotter and Bonnie Pomerantz, Thoughtful Thursdays co-chairs

CELEBRATE SHABBAT WITH US FROM YOUR HOME

Begin your weekend with Shabbat and share the warmth of Jewish community throughout February with our Temple family from your home via Zoom. We especially hope you'll join us for a very special Community Shabbat on Friday, February 5 at 6 p.m., co-hosted by the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#).

Plan also to gather with us on Friday, February 26 at the earlier time of 5:30 p.m. on Zoom for Purim, including reading from the Megillah and for a shpiel, prior to our Shabbat service.

Throughout the month, Rabbi Meir Barger will lead services on most Fridays at 6 p.m. Ron Friedman will lead worship on Saturdays at 10 a.m., with Rabbi Meir offering a D'var Torah. Please have your candles and wine nearby when we say the blessings together.

We warmly welcome guests to join us for worship. Please contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org for information about accessing online services. Visit the Temple website at www.templecav.org for any schedule changes as dates approach.

STRINGS OF INSPIRATION WITH BRUCE COLEGROVE

Temple member Bruce Colegrove returns on Tuesday, February 17 at 7 p.m. on Zoom with more stories of some of the most remarkable events in the life of the women's orchestra at Auschwitz-Birkenau.

He first shared incredible stories of these women in fall 2019 when the Violins of Hope programming captivated members of the Fort Wayne community.

This time Bruce will turn his focus to the ironic tragedy that befell the Jews of Hungary. As before, Bruce will share some recent discoveries in his research. He will discuss two Jewish women whose exemplary skill with the violin earned them a place in the women's orchestra at Auschwitz.

The first of these women toured the capitals of Europe with her band of Gypsy boys, and then succeeded Alma Rosé as the leader of the orchestra. The second was a young beauty who arrived at Auschwitz as a pregnant newlywed, and then languished in near oblivion - up to this very day.

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DO YOU HAVE ROOTS IN POLAND OR EASTERN EUROPE?



The Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society is excited to present genealogist Mark Halpern on Sunday, February 14th via Zoom. He will present two programs covering Jewish genealogical research in Poland and Galicia. Mark works with JRI-Poland, JewishGen, the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (IAJGS) and others helping people research their roots. He serves on the Board and Executive Group of [JRI-Poland](http://www.jri-poland.org), is the founder of Bialystok Area Jewish Genealogy Group, and is on the Advisory Board of Geshet Galicia. Mark was honored in 2018 with the IAJGS Lifetime Achievement Award.

On February 14th, Mr. Halpern will present two virtual programs, both free and open to the public. The first, "The Basics of Jewish Research in Poland," will begin at 2:00. At 3:30, he'll present "A Deeper Dive into Galician Records." Galicia, a former

province of Austria-Hungary that is now split between Poland and western Ukraine, is the place of origin for many American Jewish families.



Registration is required to attend the February 14th programs. You can find the link at the NEIJGS website - <https://neindianajgs.org/upcoming-events/>. Thanks to the Harry W. Salon Foundation, the Louis and Anne B. Schneider Foundation, and the Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center for their support. Additional information about the NEIJGS can be found on our website at www.NEIndianaJGS.org, or our Facebook Page, <https://www.facebook.com/NEIndianaJGS/>. Please join us for these informative programs!

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Bruce describes the women's orchestra as the most eclectic, the most unique, the most controversial, and, without any question, the most zealously documented gathering of female musical talent the world has ever known. By many regards, it was also the most inspiring.

An ardent researcher in Holocaust studies, Bruce is the developer of the website [Women's Orchestra of Auschwitz-Birkenau](http://www.womenorchestra.org). He is a long-standing Hebrew teacher at Achduth Vesholom and a 20-year faculty member at Canterbury High School.

WEEKLY LIFELONG LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Expand your Jewish knowledge and friendships by being part of our growing community of lifelong learners. Three weekly study options are available online for those interested in a deeper exploration of Torah or Hebrew texts. Links are sent through the weekly email to our Temple family. Guests are invited to contact us at office@templecav.org or (260) 744-4245 for access information.

Torah Study With Rabbi Meir

Delve into important lessons in the weekly Torah portion with Rabbi Meir Bargeron Tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Zoom.

This learning series grew out of robust discussions during our Shabbat morning services that demonstrated an enthusiasm and interest from congregants in nurturing and encouraging an in-depth study of Torah. Everyone who is post-B'nai Mitzvah and older is welcome.

Study the Five Books of Moses with Rabbi Kornspan

Read and study the Torah, verse by verse, with classic commentaries by Rashi, Rashbam, Seforno and many others during a weekly study group led by Rabbi Mitchell Kornspan on Sundays at 7 p.m. on Zoom. Temple members, as well as members of the larger Fort Wayne Jewish community, are invited to participate.

This approach to the study of Torah delves into the depths of Rabbinic teaching on the Torah Portion. Note that this group is not studying the texts on the same schedule as the weekly Torah portion. Participants should attend with a Tanakh, and learners with any level of Hebrew proficiency are welcome.

Hebrew Liturgy Study Group with John Planer

Study the Hebrew texts – both Orthodox and Reform – of the daily and Shabbat liturgies on Mondays at 7 p.m. led by John Planer on Zoom.

The group will begin at a basic level of Hebrew with a focus to understand the meanings and grammar of the texts we recite and to note significant variants. John says he hopes the group will not only study, but also become a *chevra* (fellowship). The group is open to any and all.

What to Expect after Getting a COVID-19 Vaccine

Accessible version: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/expect/after.html>

COVID-19 vaccination will help protect you from getting COVID-19. You may have some side effects, which are normal signs that your body is building protection. These side effects **may feel like flu** and **may even affect your ability** to do daily activities, but they should go away in a few days.

Common side effects

On the arm where you got the shot:

- Pain
- Swelling

Throughout the rest of your body:

- Fever
- Chills
- Tiredness
- Headache

Helpful tips

If you have pain or discomfort, talk to your doctor about taking an over-the-counter medicine, such as ibuprofen or acetaminophen.

To reduce pain and discomfort where you got the shot: **To reduce discomfort from fever:**

- Apply a clean, cool, wet washcloth over the area.
- Use or exercise your arm.
- Drink plenty of fluids.
- Dress lightly.

When to call the doctor

In most cases, discomfort from fever or pain is normal. Contact your doctor or healthcare provider:

- If the redness or tenderness where you got the shot increases after 24 hours
- If your side effects are worrying you or do not seem to be going away after a few days

Remember

- Side effects may feel like flu and even affect your ability to do daily activities, but they should go away in a few days.
- With most COVID-19 vaccines, you will need 2 shots in order for them to work. Get the second shot even if you have side effects after the first one, unless a vaccination provider or your doctor tells you not to get a second shot.
- It takes time for your body to build protection after any vaccination. COVID-19 vaccines that require 2 shots may not protect you until a week or two after your second shot.
- It's important for everyone to continue using all the tools available to help stop this pandemic as we learn more about how COVID-19 vaccines work in real-world conditions. Cover your mouth and nose with a mask when around others, stay at least 6 feet away from others, avoid crowds, and wash your hands often.

HEALTHCARE PROVIDER, PLEASE FILL IN THE INFORMATION BELOW:

If your temperature is ____°F or ____°C or higher or if you have questions, call your healthcare provider.

Tell your healthcare provider about: _____

Healthcare provider phone number: _____

Medication (if needed):

Take _____ every _____ hours as needed.
(type and dose or amount)



Ask your healthcare provider about getting started with v-safe

Use your smartphone to tell CDC about any side effects after getting the COVID-19 vaccine. You'll also get reminders if you need a second dose

Learn more about v-safe.
www.cdc.gov/vsafe



cdc.gov/coronavirus

WE ARE HERE TO HELP



Help is Available

We are very fortunate to have a Social Worker who is able and willing to assist any member of the Fort Wayne Jewish community in need of services.

She works for us as a volunteer, on an as-needed basis.

If you become aware of someone in the Jewish community who may need assistance at some point, please let us know. Obviously, this would be kept in the strictest of confidence. Contact us at (260) 456 - 0400 or office@fwj.org.

Help is Available



We know that during these trying times, we can all use a little help once in a while. For those in need, we do offer food vouchers and gas cards. Please call the [Federation](#) office at (260) 456 - 0400. All calls are confidential.



We are also accepting donations of gas cards. If you would like to make a donation, please send in a check with "gas card" in the memo or call the office.

Charitable Adult Rides and Services (CARS)

Do you have a car, truck, van, SUV, boat, motorcycle, ATV, RV, trailer or airplane that you no longer need or use?



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Audrey and Joe Gerson Free Loan Fund



This Fund was set up to offer an interest-free loan up to \$2,000 to members of the Jewish community who are undergoing financial hardships. Please call the Federation office at (260) 456 - 0400 to speak to someone confidentially.

“ Kindness is realizing that we’re all in this together. ”

- RAKtivist



COVID-19 UPDATE FROM THE JEWISH FEDERATION

The staff and leadership of the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne are continuing to prioritize the health of our community as we move forward. Taking into consideration the constant number of confirmed COVID-19 cases, and upon the recommendations of the Center for Disease Control, we will remain closed to the public until further notice.

We continue to work on various programs and engagement opportunities in an effort to keep connected with our community. Our staff continues to work remotely and are available via email. We check our voice messages regularly in the event you prefer to call us. We will return your phone calls as soon as we are able.

FUNDS AND DONATIONS

JEWISH FEDERATION FUNDS

ENDOWMENT

- **Audrey and Joe Gerson Free Loan Fund**
- **Baum/Goldenberg Scholarship**
- **Emergency Cash Assistance Fund**
- **Holocaust Education Fund**
- **Jewish Experience Fund**
- **JNF - Plant a tree in Israel**
- **Prejudice Reduction Elimination Fund**
- **Thoughtful Thursdays Fund**
- **Community Relations Committee (CRC):**
To provide for local programming and events through the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.
- **Goldenberg Camp Joe Fund:**
Every year we get a number of requests for assistance with the registration for our three-week Camp Joe Levine Day Camp.



- **Janet Finkel Campership Fund:**
In April 2008, Audrey Gerson established the Janet Finkel Campership Fund in honor of Janet Finkel. This fund makes it possible to help youngsters go to a Jewish Camp or to a Music Camp.
- **PJ Library:**
Supports reading anytime of the day, but we know that many families sit down to read books at bedtime, in their pajamas. PJ Library books can be enjoyed any time you want a good story.
- **The Martha Rothenberg Replane Theater & Creative Arts Fund:**
This fund was created in Memory of Martha Rothenberg Replane to honor her memory and her love for theater and creative arts. The fund will be used to encourage theater and creative arts presentations and knowledge in our community.

DONATIONS

Community Relations Committee

- A donation was received from **Carol & Larry Adelman** in memory of **Marvin Crell**

General Operating Fund

- A donation was received from **Janet Finkel** in honor of all that **Jaki Schreier** and **Bonnie Pomerantz** do for Federation
- A donation was received from **Doris Gottlieb**
- A donation was received from **William Neilson** in memory of **Hanna Ingrid Fifer**
- A donation was received from **Jo Ellen & Mike Rush** to help with the community bags
- A donation was received from **Kay Safirstein** in memory of **Moses Safirstein**

JNF - Plant a tree in Israel

- Donations were received from an **anonymous donor** and **Franck Hagendorf**
- A donation was received from **Robert Elliott, Jr.**, in honor of **Donald Trump**
- A donation was received from **Kay Safirstein** in memory of **Moses Safirstein**

A long-time local businessman and proud member of Fort Wayne's Jewish community who wishes to remain anonymous is contributing to the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne in memory of:

- **Lenny Goldstein**, the moral conscience for the greater Fort Wayne community for more than sixty years; and
- In honor of **Sherry Skufca, Karen Francisco, and Tim Harman**, Fort Wayne Journal Gazette Editorial journalists, for a decade of courageous championing of civil rights, social justice, and state/local government accountability

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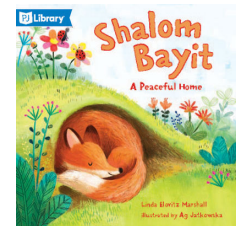
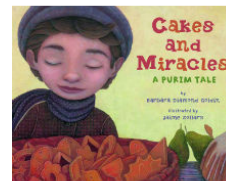
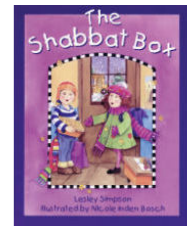
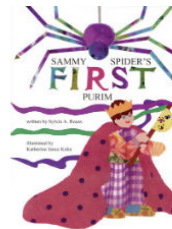
R.O.M.E.O.s
(Retired Old Men Eating Out)

Anyone interested in joining the ROMEOs for lunch can contact Denny Reynolds at (260) 637 - 0507 or dennisreynolds@me.com



Which books did you receive this month?

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