



DECEMBER 2021 - JANUARY 2022

Mark Your Calendars



Our
Confronting the Shoah
classes for 2022 with
Dr. David Lindquist will be held on
January 11, 18, 25,
February 1, 8, and 15
at 7 p.m via Zoom

Please call the Federation office at
(260) 456-0400 or email us at
office@fwjf.org
to reserve your spot!

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HAVA NAGILA (THE MOVIE) - JANUARY 23, 2022 - 2 P.M. ON PBS39



Hava Nagila - Wedding Chairs



Hava Nagila - Deli Singers

We are proud to be a sponsor of **Hava Nagila (The Movie)**. It's to music what the bagel is to food – a Jewish staple that has transcended its origins and become a worldwide hit. **Bob Dylan** sang it. **Elvis**, too. And that's only the beginning when it comes to **Hava Nagila**. Follow the infectious party song on its fascinating journey from the *shtetls* of Eastern Europe to the *cul-de sacs* of America in this hilarious and surprisingly deep film. Featuring interviews with **Harry Belafonte, Connie Francis, Glen Campbell, Leonard Nimoy, Regina Spektor** and more, **Hava Nagila (The Movie)** takes viewers from **Ukraine and Israel** to the **Catskills, Greenwich Village, Hollywood** – and even **Bollywood** – using the song as a springboard to explore Jewish history and identity and to spotlight the cross-cultural connections that can only be achieved through music.

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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.

"I have been a stranger in a strange land"
Exodus 2:22

JEWISH COMMUNITY EFFORT TO HELP AFGHAN REFUGEES

The [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) and [Congregation Achduth Vesholom](#) have joined forces to assist the effort by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne–South Bend in resettling Afghan refugees in Fort Wayne. The first group of 75 has already arrived. Many significant items are needed for them to make a home locally.

CAV's Board of Directors has approved initial plans, which are threefold:

- A fundraising campaign within the Temple with a goal of \$5,000 by December 31. Donate online at <https://templecav.org/donate-pay-online/>. (to Project Assist-Afghani Resettlement).
- An effort to collect hard goods that are needed to set up homes, like brooms, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, and the like.
- Assistance to an individual family or families to join them in setting up their new homes with these donated items.

The Federation has committed to matching all donations up to \$5,000 from their coffers. Additional support is coming from the Religious School, the ROMEOS, and other Temple funds. By the time we finish, we hope to have in excess of \$10,000 combined from both organizations to contribute in addition to the hard goods.

Members are encouraged to help our two Jewish organizations with these goals by pledging to contribute in one or more of the above ways. You will receive a letter from the Afghan Steering Committee detailing exactly what you can do to help. Of course, time is of the essence. Catholic Charities aims to have all the homes set up by the end of the year. Please respond quickly and enthusiastically when you receive the formal request.

As we were once strangers in a strange land, it is now up to us to help our newest arrivals. Please give generously.

HOT TOPICS SHABBAT FOCUSES ON AFGHAN REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT



Please join us for a Hot Topics Shabbat on Friday, December 10 following our 6 p.m. service when speakers from Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne–South Bend will inform our members on resettlement efforts for the recently arrived Afghan refugees. The program is sponsored by the Temple's Social Action Committee.

Our speakers will be Nicole Kurut and Nyien Chan, both heavily involved in the resettlement efforts. We'll learn of the areas they must address in the first 90 days of the refugees' new lives in our community. Education, tutoring, English as a second language, housing, health needs, as well as clothing for winter weather and everything that goes into their new homes. These are all goals that must be met in the first 90 days.

Join us in person or via livestream on Zoom or [YouTube](#), led by Rabbi Meir Barger on with music by Maestro Robert Nance. A question-and-answer period will follow the presentation, so feel free to ask what you can do to help. We look forward to a very informative talk on a very pressing issue. Masks are required in the building. Find the Temple's [COVID safety protocols](#). The Zoom link will be sent in the weekly email to our extended Temple family or by request to office@templecav.org. Guests are welcome. Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support of Hot Topics.

The Jewish community's Afghan Steering Committee members from Congregation Achduth Vesholom and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne are Co-Chairs Bobbie Golani and Jaki Schreier, Kathy Sider, Scott Salon, Fran Volante, Bonnie Pomerantz, and Rena Black.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION CHANGES

There is an old Yiddish adage, “Man plans and God Laughs.” (And in this case Mother Nature even chimed in!)

Despite our most careful planning, the unpredictability of life has caused us to change our plans for the recognition of our **100th anniversary**.

The new date for our celebration is **MAY 21, 2022**.

Save the date and look to celebrate this momentous occasion with all the splendor, significance and spirit it deserves!

PEOPLE OF THE BOOK CHANGES

Despite our most careful planning, the unpredictability of life has caused us to change our plans for our **People of the Book** evening with noted author **Ron Suskind** as well.

We hope to have a new date in **spring 2022**.



The **Board of Directors** and the **staff** of the **Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne** wish you all a happy healthy 2022!

Please note that our office will be closed on Monday, December 20 - January 2, and Monday, January 17.



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.



Jerusalem of Lights - live menorah tour in Nachlaot (Jerusalem) Dec. 05, 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM EST

Live via Zoom
Join this unique live tour in Jerusalem's enchanting neighborhood of Nachlaot.

[RSVP](#)

Women Rosh Hodesh Gathering Jan 16, 2022, 1:30 PM EST – Jan 17, 2022, 2:30 PM EST

Zoom
Join women from Israel, Budapest and the USA for a special gathering in honor of Rosh Hodesh Shvat!

[RSVP](#)



PARTNERSHIP2GETHER WESTERN GALILEE PRESENTS ROSH HODESH SHVAT GATHERING

FOR DETAILS AND TO RSVP
rebrand.ly/P2G-Hodvsh

JANUARY 16 | 1:30 P.M. ET
2022 | 19:30 BUD
20:30 ISL

AGENDA:

- Welcome and rosh chodesh ceremony
- Women Make a Difference:
- Alayna Altman - JOFEE Garden (Louisville)
- Learn2Gether Session
- Conclusion

OPEN FOR
WOMEN OF ALL
AGES

What are we talking about this month:

Should Your Family Try Havdalah?



Illustration from *Lights Out Shabbat* by Sarene Shulimson

Perhaps you grew up making Havdalah on Saturday nights, perhaps you've only just learned about this Jewish observance. Whether Havdalah is part of your tradition or not, here are a few wonderful reasons to try Havdalah at home.

Shifting Gears

However your family chooses to make Shabbat special, Havdalah marks a transition back into "everyday time." Havdalah is the shuttle flight, sweet-and-a-little-sad, that lets you down on the other side.

Tradition

Per ritual minute, Havdalah is probably the most beautiful--and most distilled--of all Jewish traditions. No meal, no prayer service. A few minutes of spirit served straight up.

Energy

For young kids Havdalah is a memorable send-off to bed, with flames and spices still dancing in their heads. But for parents it's something else: a lovely mini-ritual that often gives a quick injection of energy with which to start the week.

Hope

With light, fragrance, a sweet sip, and a shout-out to Elijah the Prophet, the upshot of Havdalah is that we begin a new week believing in the best possible future – a good way to start the week.

For an overview try [“Havdalah: Taking Leave of Shabbat”](#) by Rabbi Susan Silverman, author of *Casting Lots*, a 2017 PJ Library Parent Book Choice selection.

More

[Browse All Books About Havdalah](#)

[“What I Learned from Celebrating Havdalah with My Family”](#) by author Carla Naumburg

[PJ Library’s Shabbat Hub](#)

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Eligible if bringing maximum of 29 credit hours to IU.

Additional 1 year scholarships (with an opportunity to apply each year for additional scholarships) for incoming students committed to the major or the certificate (8 courses) in Jewish Studies, with majors receiving priority.



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THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS HONORS FOUNDERS AND CONTINUES HELPING FAMILIES

Nearly 30 Thoughtful Thursdays volunteers honored Jamie Berger and her daughter, Jordan, during a luncheon on November 17 as the inspiration, motivation and founders 12 years ago of the Jewish

community's award-winning social action program. Jordan spoke to the group about SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), the largest federal nutrition assistance program, and its relevance to what Thoughtful Thursdays does for Brightpoint Head Start families at the Temple.

On November 18, we were finally able to send home a hot, fully cooked roasted chicken with our Brightpoint families. We will provide another roasted chicken for them on December 2. The supply chain issue caused a shortage of turkeys, so we were

fortunate to be able to get the chickens. Thank you to our volunteers who helped pick up, load and distribute the chickens: Jon & Jamie Berger, Rebecca Gonzalez, Suzi King, Janet Finkel and Steve & Sally Trotter.

This month, in addition to the second roasted chicken, we will be sending home two bags that include mashed potatoes, green beans, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, corn muffin mix, cake mix, toilet paper, hot chocolate mix and a tin of butter cookies. Thank you to all of the amazing volunteers who have made this year a success!

Remember, hunger doesn't stop just because there is a pandemic or a supply chain issue!

Sally Trotter, Thoughtful Thursdays chair



TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

The Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne is excited to remind our families about the Jewish Studies tuition reimbursement program.



A student whose family is a member of the Federation will be reimbursed at a rate based on one-half the tuition cost per Indiana University credit hour for classes taken in Judaic Studies.

As many of our youth are attending college all over the country and the tuition varies considerably from college to college, this policy provides equitable treatment to all of our university students.

A transcript, showing the course and grade received, and a copy of a fee payment receipt must be submitted as proof for reimbursement. The Federation reserves the right to request a syllabus or additional description of the class taken. A C+ grade or its numerical equivalent must be earned in the course work in order to qualify for reimbursement.



BALL STATE
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Family membership is defined as a minimum gift of \$104.00 to the most recent Federation Annual Campaign, which runs from November through March.

Any questions, please call Jaki Schreier at (260) 456-0400 or contact her at jakischreier@fwjf.org.

S.K.I.P. (Send a Kid to Israel Program)

Established in 1984 by the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) in partnership with [Congregation Achduth Vesholom](#), and revised in November 1999, the program has provided a savings vehicle for many families and has helped make a trip to Israel a reality for so many of our youth. The Federation portion of the savings plan is provided by income from the Federation Endowment Fund for members of the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.



The Federation, for each year a child participates in S.K.I.P., contributes \$200.00 per year per child. This is matched by a Congregational contribution of \$75.00 per year. Your parent contribution, on behalf of each participating child, is \$175.00 or more per year.

The program is available to local youth enrolled in their congregational religious school in grades 1-10. The fund may be used for an organized trip to Israel any time after grade 10 until the youth reaches age 23.

Each S.K.I.P. account is supplemented by a gift from the **HY AND LORRY GOLDENBERG BIRTHRIGHT FUND** and the **MINNETTE AND MEYER RUCHMAN FUND**.

Looking for a bar/bat mitzvah, confirmation or special gift for one of our local youth, then please consider making that gift to their S.K.I.P. Fund account. An acknowledgment will be sent to you and a card indicating your gift will be sent to the designee.

Enrollment packets will be sent to all families not yet enrolled. If you do not get a packet or have any questions, please contact Federation's Executive Director Jaki Schreier at jakischreier@fwjf.org or (260) 456.0400.



SHARE FESTIVE EVENING OF LATKES, LIGHTS, AND DEDICATION OF THE CHAPEL

Celebrate the Festival of Lights with our Temple family amid the warm glow of dozens of *hanukkiyot* on Friday, December 3 at 6 p.m. Share in a special evening that includes a latke dinner hosted by the [ROMEOs](#), the dedication of the remodeled [Goldstine-B'nai Jacob Chapel](#), and a Hanukkah and Shabbat service, led by Rabbi Meir Barger on.

Enjoy the spirit of community as we gather together at the Temple for the holiday after celebrating last year entirely online. The service, which includes participation by our Religious School students, will be livestreamed at 7 p.m. on Zoom and [YouTube](#).

We're especially pleased during the evening to formally dedicate the chapel, which was remodeled just before the Temple temporarily closed for the pandemic in March 2020.

The beautiful worship space brings together the history of Congregation Achduth Vesholom and Congregation B'nai Jacob.

The dinner menu includes latkes, applesauce, kosher hot dogs, veggie burgers, salad, and sufganiyot (jelly donuts). Please RSVP for dinner to the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org by Tuesday, November 30. After that date, please contact the Temple office to see if space remains. Please bring your hanukkiyah and candles to light. Thank you to the Retired Old Men Eating Out for hosting the meal.

The sixth night of Hanukkah sometimes is known as [Ner Shel Tzedakah](#), the candle of righteousness, when we focus on tikkun olam (repairing the world). A free-will offering will be collected at the dinner to help refugees from Afghanistan who are being resettled in Northeast Indiana through [Catholic Charities](#), Diocese Fort Wayne-South Bend.

Masks are required. Please review the Temple's [COVID safety protocols](#). The Zoom link will be sent in the weekly email to members. Guests are welcome. To access the livestream, please contact the Temple office.

JOIN OUR COMMUNITY OF LIFELONG LEARNERS

Expand your Jewish knowledge by joining us at the Temple for lifelong learning on a variety of Jewish study topics with Rabbi Meir Barger on and guest instructors. Please join us:

Jewish Study Responsa Part 1
Tuesday, December 7
7 p.m. on Zoom

Jewish Study Responsa Part 2
Tuesday, December 21
7 p.m. on Zoom

Throughout the generations, Jewish communities have looked for rabbinic guidance, often from a long distance. These questions and answers, called "Responsa," are the means that Jewish communities use to apply tradition to real-life situations.

Join Rabbi Meir for these two sessions when we read from and discuss a number of responsa from the Reform and Conservative movements and consider their implications on our Jewish lives. Please RSVP to office@templecav.org by the Thursday prior to the class to receive materials.

A Year for the Trees: The Environment & Jewish Tradition
Tuesday, January 11
7 p.m. on Zoom

Join Rabbi Meir and members of the Temple community to learn about the Jewish holiday of Tu B'shvat, and how traditions surrounding this festival contribute to a deeper understanding

of our connection to Creation and our obligation to care for the earth. Please RSVP to office@templecav.org by Thursday, January 6 to receive materials.

Hebrew 1: Kita Aleph with John Planer
Sundays, January 23 to April 10
7 to 8:30 p.m. on Zoom

Ready to follow along in the Hebrew at Shabbat services? Wondering how to master your pronunciation of the prayers? Then our new class is for you!

John Planer will guide us through our study of Hebrew on Sunday evenings from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. via Zoom, beginning January 23. The class will meet for 11 sessions, through April 10. (We will not meet on February 20).

Hebrew 1 is offered at no charge, but participants must purchase the **required** text and have it at the first session. Textbook: *Aleph Isn't Tough: An Introduction to Hebrew for Adults, Book 1*. Purchasing Options: [Behrman House](#) or [Amazon](#).

Registration is required by Sunday, January 9 by emailing us at office@templecav.org. The Zoom link to attend will be sent to those who register.

Beyond the Gender Binary in Judaism with Ariel & Ze'evi Tovlev
Tuesday, January 25
7 p.m. on Zoom

While "transgender" and "nonbinary" are modern terms, our Jewish tradition has understood gender to be beyond "male" and "female" for almost 2,000 years! Come learn about gender beyond the binary in Judaism, and what our ancient texts can teach us about gender expansiveness.

Ze'evi Tovlev (pronouns: they/them or ze/zem) is a 4th year cantorial student and a graduate of the Master's degree of Jewish Education at Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR). Ariel Tovlev (pronouns: he/him or they/them) is a 4th year rabbinical student and a graduate of the Master's degree of Jewish Education at HUC-JIR. Please RSVP to office@templecav.org by Thursday, January 20 to receive materials.

Ongoing classes include:

Hebrew Liturgy Study Group with John Planer
Mondays
7 p.m. on Zoom

Five Books of Moses Study Group with Rabbi Mitchell Kornspan
Sundays at 7 p.m. on Zoom

CELEBRATE SHABBAT SHIRAH WITH CANTOR YVON SHORE

Share a special musical evening with us on Friday, January 14 at 6 p.m. when we welcome [Cantor Yvon F. Shore](#), Director of Liturgical Arts and Music at [Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion](#) in Cincinnati, to give a sermon in song in celebration of [Shabbat Shirah](#) (Sabbath of Singing).

The service is named for a musical moment in Jewish biblical history when Moses and Miriam lead the Israelites across the Sea of Reeds and out of Egypt. Part of the reading is known as *Shirat HaYam* (song of the sea).

Please join us in person or via livestream, led by Rabbi Meir. Maestro Robert Nance will accompany Cantor Shore on the piano.

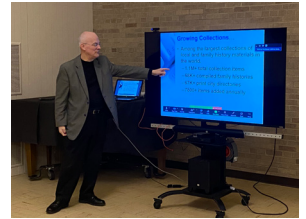
Masks are required in the building. Links for the service on Zoom will be sent in the weekly email to our congregational family. Guests are welcome and may contact the office for access information.



NEIJGS HOLDS ITS FIRST "HYBRID" OPEN HOUSE



The Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society successfully combined in-person activities and virtual programs for its first "hybrid" version of their "Meet Your Mishpocha" open house in October. Religious school students and families began the event early, and others joined later for several types of programs. Curt Witcher, from the Allen County Public Library Center, spent much of his time digitizing photographs and documents for those that came in person, but also took 30 minutes to discuss the Genealogy Center's resources with virtual and in-person guests. Other virtual programs included Mike Brown's presentation of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society's archives, Betsy Gephart's summary of the Society's Fort Wayne Jewish Families Database, and Rena Black's discussion of the Oral History Video project. All were available to remote and in-person guests. Those who attended at the Temple got a special treat – personalized cookies from the Cookie Cottage!



LEARN ABOUT JEWISH NAMES IN FEBRUARY



Warren Blatt, an internationally known Jewish genealogist and former head of JewishGen, will present two free public programs for the Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society on Sunday, February 13th beginning at 2:00 p.m. The presentations will take place in-person at the Allen County Public Library's Genealogy Center, with details of a virtual component to come in January. The first program, "Jewish Given Names," will focus on the history and patterns of Jewish first names and how to recognize names in genealogical sources. "Jewish Surnames" will discuss the types and origins of surnames, how they developed and how they transformed with immigration. Further details about the program and the NEIJGS are available on their website at www.NEIndianaJGS.org. Thanks to Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation and the Dr. Louis A. and Anne B. Schneider Foundation Trust for their support of this program.

Tu Bishvat Cookies By Faigy Murray

Cooking and Prep: 20 m
Serves: 6

Main ingredients

3/4 cup oil
1 cup brown sugar
1/4 cup white sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 eggs
2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt

An assortment of chopped up fruit and nuts; raisins, almonds, cashews, dried apricot, dried mango



Prepare the Cookies

In a mixing bowl, mix the first five ingredients together and add the rest.

Place spoonfuls on a Parchment lined cookie sheet and bake 350°F for 12 minutes.

<https://www.kosher.com/recipe/tu-bishvat-cookies-8083>

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?



Donating them has never been easier! Simply choose [CARS](#) and their trained staff will guide you through the donation process.

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

- **100th Commemoration Fund**
- **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

100th Commemoration Fund

- Donations were received from **Kay Safirstein** and **Jaki & Eric Schreier**

General Operations

- A donation was received from **Mitch Harper & Dawn Wilson** in honor of **Jeff & Charlene Gubitz**

JNF - Plant a tree in Israel

- Donations were received from an **anonymous** donor

every contribution is
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thank
you!

Online Donations Accepted!

The [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) now accepts [online donations](#). You may contribute to our General Fund, or select a specific fund that you want to support. In addition, you may elect to have a donation made in Honor of or In Memory of an individual, and a card will be sent letting them or their families know the donation has been made.

It's secure, fast, and easy to support the work the Federation does to support the well-being and continuity of the Jewish people in greater Fort Wayne, in Israel, and throughout the world.

Thank you for your support. It is sincerely appreciated!

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

December 2 – The Hoppy Gnome
203 E. Berry Street

December 16 – CASA Ristorante
7545 W. Jefferson Boulevard

January 6 - BAAN Thai Restaurant
3235 N. Anthony Boulevard

January 20 - Cosmos Restaurant
9807 Lima Road

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

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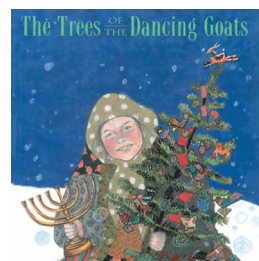
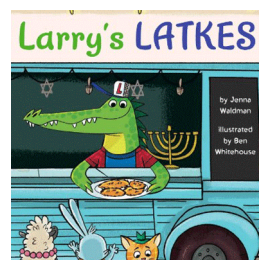
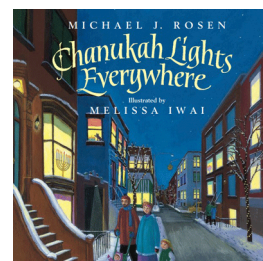
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Which books did you receive this month?

A program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation, PJ Library is made possible through partnerships with philanthropists and local Jewish organizations. Families with kids ages 6 months through 8 years old with Judaism as part of their lives are welcome to sign up.



PJ Our Way is for kids ages 9-11. It is kid-driven - they choose their own books, creating a totally tailored experience based on their own interests and reading level. To make the choice easier, our website includes summaries and author bios, along with ratings, reviews, and video trailers created by members themselves. Kids can also take polls and quizzes, participate in monthly interviews and challenges, post their own reviews, and comment on blog posts.

