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OCTOBER 2023

JOIN US FOR DINNER



Our Rosh Chodesh group will be meeting for dinner **5:30 pm** on **Wednesday, October 11** at [The Hoppy Gnome](#) - 203 E. **Berry Street**. Dinner is on your own but making new friends and catching up with cherished friends will be shared by all.



THE
**HOPPY
GNOME.**
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

Please RSVP a week before each date to office@fwjf.org or call (260) 456 - 0400. These dinners are open to all Jewish women in our area. Our next dinner will be **Wednesday, December 6** at [Bagger Dave's](#) - 2886 E. Dupont Road .

We can't wait to see you!



Another wonderful program we are happy to sponsor!

They had a choice... Submit or fight for freedom!

Code Name: Ayalon tells the harrowing story of how a secret bullet factory was built, concealed, and operated under a kibbutz near Tel Aviv to defend the fledgling nation of Israel in a pivotal effort in the battle for statehood.

In this film, surviving members of the group of 45 teenagers who risked their lives for the mission share their stories along with re-enactments and historical commentary.

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

We are proud to sponsor this amazing program with the [Fort Wayne Philharmonic](#).

with special thanks to The Martha Rothenberg Replane Theater & Creative Arts Fund for its support

FORT WAYNE PHILHARMONIC
Andrew Constantine, Music Director

MAUTHAUSEN CANTATA
BY MIKIS THEODORAKIS

OCTOBER 22, 2023 | 4:00 PM
AUER PERFORMANCE HALL,
PFW MUSIC CENTER

FEATURING:
TROY WEBDELL, CONDUCTOR
FWP YOUTH ORCHESTRAS
BETTY HARLAFTI, MEZZO SOPRANO
FORT WAYNE CHILDREN'S CHOIR
PURDUE UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE CHORUS

THE MAUTHAUSEN CANTATA, WITH LYRICS BY JEWISH POET IAKOVOS KAMBANELLIS, HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WORK WRITTEN ABOUT THE HOLOCAUST.

ADULTS \$10
CHILDREN ARE FREE!



BETTY HARLAFTI, MEZZO SOPRANO

Often referred to as "the voice of Mikis Theodorakis from the younger generation" she is best known for her close collaboration with the late great Greek composer. Their recent album "Betty Harlafti in the world of Mikis Theodorakis", produced by the Hellenic National Radio & Television Corporation (ERT) and its Symphony Orchestras, included his last unreleased songs ever recorded.

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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



*This is the speech **Jaki Schreier** gave upon receiving the **Hoosier Jewish Legend Award** on August 27th from the **Indiana Jewish Historical Society**

Upon receiving the Hoosier Jewish Legend Award in 2016, Leonard Goldstein, of Blessed Memory, quoted Lou Gehrig when he addressed Yankee fans at what would be his final professional game of baseball, "Today, I consider myself to be the luckiest man on the face of the earth."

Well....I consider myself to be the luckiest woman on the face of the earth. Let me explain....

My blessings started the moment I was born into a highly ethical and very kind family that loved me to no end.

Like all families, we had challenges. However....

....through their deeds and life practices, my family demonstrated acceptance of others, respect to those of different religions and of different cultures. They believed that the life best lived isn't one that is self-absorbed or self-centered. They believed that all people are important and have value.

Best gift to a kid, EVER!

My hope is that I have carried these principles forward with my own family, with my friends, and those that I interact with every day.

Upon moving to Fort Wayne, we immediately became involved in both Jewish congregations and at the Jewish Federation. We were thankful that those who came before us set the foundation for our family to have the rich and valuable Jewish life in our small Jewish community.

I started out as a volunteer and as often happens, if it becomes apparent that you show up, get involved and actually follow through on what you say you're going to do, one ends up taking on additional tasks.

This all worked out well, because it accomplished the goal of helping to strengthen the Jewish bonds that we sought for ourselves and for others.

I was very fortunate that my community invested in me. I was offered religious school teacher training, assistance to help attend Jewish conferences and mission trips to both Israel and Russia. I was able to observe the important work that the Jewish Federations of North America does throughout the world. These are just a few of the many opportunities I was provided with.



Throughout life, I have carefully watched many gifted leaders, some of whom are here in this room, on zoom or are with us in spirit. I listened to what they said, how they carefully chose their words, how they said those words, how they treated others with differing opinions and how they were always willing to share their knowledge and experience. These leaders inspired. They never asked someone to do something they were not willing to do themselves.

I would like to share just a few of the character qualities I observed from the leaders who may or may not have been aware that I considered them to be mentors.

Leadership begins with taking responsibility. As we grow, we make mistakes. Most people are very forgiving, if it's apparent that you're truly sorry and have learned from it.

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Leadership is about the future and is vision-driven. Before one can successfully lead, it is imperative that there is a clear vision for the future and that you have the ability to communicate the vision to others.

Leaders study the difference between the statesman and the politician.

Leadership means believing in the people you lead. Leaders believe that the highest form of leadership is teaching...as teaching creates leaders.

Mentors prefer the leadership of influence to the leadership of power, as influence lifts people above their former selves, while power keeps people subjugated and their growth stunted.

They lead because there are people in need, there are injustices to be fought, there are wrongs to be righted, problems to be solved and challenges to face. In essence, effective leaders recognize all of this, as a call to light a candle, instead of cursing the darkness.

Effective leaders develop friendships and establish vital relationships outside of their own religious community, for the greater good. Effective leaders work together on community, social action and interfaith projects that span and surpass whatever may divide us.

To build future leaders, in accordance with Judaic principles and values, it is imperative that Jewish communities continue to invest in our religious schools, campership programs, Israel Adventure Experiences, Hillels, Jewish Studies Programs, NextGen events and our Young Leaders programs.

Let us give our future leaders the valuable tools that were provided to us - so that they can continue our mission to do Tikkun Olam and repair the world.

I owe so much to my grown children, all of whom follow and practice the principles of Judaism. They inspire and motivate me, as I continue to strive to be a better person.

To my amazing husband, Eric. You have no idea how much I appreciate your continued support and encouragement that has allowed me to pursue a career that feeds my soul and has helped me support others to do the same.



Thank you to the Indiana Jewish Historical Society for creating this very meaningful award.

Thank you to all the leaders for writing the letters of recommendation that enabled me to receive this very special award. You are a true inspiration to me.

Thank you to all those who drove here to be with us today.

It is impossible to personally thank all the amazing people who have been with me along this wondrous journey we call life. Please know that you mean the world to me. You are truly *mensches* and a blessing to us all.

It not only takes a village to raise a child. It takes a village to develop leaders. So...you see, I truly am the luckiest woman on the face of the earth!

Toda Raba. May G-d bless and keep you.



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.

SAVE THE DATE!

BOOKCLUB

Sunday December 3

1pm EDT | 7pm Budapest | 8pm Israel

Join us for a discussion
about the book

Red Sea Spies

By Raffi Berg







[RSVP Here](#)

ONLINE P2G HOLIDAYS TOAST

20:00 Israel | 19:00 Budapest
1:00PM EST



PASSOVER
APRIL 3



ROSH HASHANA
SEP 10



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SAVE THE DATES!

JOIN US FOR A FESTIVE PARTNERSHIP ZOOM CELEBRATION FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

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Come and celebrate 25 years of Partnership Western Galilee!



25 YEARS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

**Partnership2Gether
Western Galilee | US Central Area Consortium | Budapest
Celebrating its 25th Anniversary**

We are delighted to invite you to three days of joyous festivities, commemorating 25 years of Partnership between the Western Galilee, US Central Area Consortium, and Budapest.

Tuesday | November 7, 2023

4:00PM - 6:00PM
Explore the enchanting grottoes of Rosh Hanikra
Festive opening event
Shared life in the Western Galilee, at The Partnership Center in Achziv.
Enjoy a Galilean dinner, Arabic music, ethnic dancing, and get a glimpse into shared life programs and activities.

Wednesday | November 8, 2023

9:00AM - 12:00PM
Experience Partnership and the wonders of the Western Galilee through Inspirational tracks:
Education and Values Track
Lunch

1:00PM - 4:00PM
Young Leadership and Entrepreneurship tracks
Rest and relax at the hotel

6:00PM
Gala Evening, at the Akko Performing Arts theater.
Reception and 25th Anniversary Ceremony.
An event filled with culture, music, dance, and excitement!

Thursday | November 9, 2023

9:00AM - 12:30PM
Continue your inspirational journey with Partnership.
Choose one of the two tracks:
• **LeDor V'Dor SlidingDors Track**
• **Diversity & Inclusion Track at Kivunim**
Lunch & Farewell







"Horizon" – Young professionals

Young professionals between the ages of 20-45 are invited to sign up for "Horizon"

The participants will be a part of the 25th celebration schedule and then continue to the following activities:

Thursday | November 9, 2023

2:00pm Leave Western Galilee towards Kinneret.

3:30pm Visit Old Kinneret farm

5:00pm Limmud session at Kinneret Historic Cemetery

6:30pm Check in to Dgania B hotel

7:30pm Dinner

8:30pm Evening activity 'Israeli Championship in a minute'

Friday | November 10, 2023

8:00am Breakfast

9:00am Walking tour of the kibbutz with a kibbutz member

11:00am Check out and drive to Naharaym.
Cross the border to Jordan and walk through the ruins of the first hydroelectric factory

12:30pm Lunch

1:00pm Tour of Old Gesher

3:00pm Drive back to the partnership region

4:30 pm Shabbat with hosting families until Saturday November 11 evening

For further information and registration please contact Sivan Freedman at: Sivanf@jafi.org

What are we talking about this month:

Shemini Atzeret



Have you ever heard of *Shemini Atzeret*? No? You're not alone.

This holiday takes place right after *Sukkot* and offers a great opportunity to explore and talk about the weather with your children.

It's ok if this minor holiday is new to you—that's what this blog post is here for! Let's dive in:

History

This holiday takes place immediately after *Sukkot*. When the Temple stood in Jerusalem more than two thousand years ago, the people of Israel would make a pilgrimage there for *Sukkot* so they could observe the holiday together. After *Sukkot*, families would stay for one more day of celebration on *Shemini Atzeret*.

Since *Shemini Atzeret* also marks the beginning of the rainy season in Israel, it's traditional to say a [prayer for rain](#).



Do



Learn about the weather, explore the outdoors, and practice saying the prayer for rain together.

[Make a Weather Station](#) via Mr. Printables

[Hands-on Activities to Learn About Rain and Water](#)

[Learn the Prayer for Rain](#) via My Jewish Learning

Talk

Kick off a discussion with your children using these prompts:

- How do you feel when it rains and why?
- Sometimes we feel that rain spoils our fun, but it actually does many important jobs. What are some of the good things rain does?
- Rain nourishes the earth and helps plants to grow. What things do you need to help you grow big and strong?



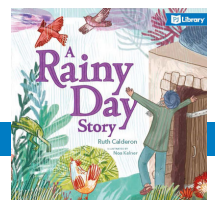
Read



[Maya Prays for Rain](#) by Susan Tarcov is a story all about *Shemini Atzeret*. In the book, Maya and her neighbors are enjoying a wonderful, sunny, day outside when Maya realizes that it's *Shemini Atzeret*, the day when everyone prays for rain. Will the rains come and pour on the baseball game or her neighbors' laundry? Explore Maya's rich and diverse neighborhood while learning about this holiday.

In [Rainy Day Story](#) by Ruth Calderon, Rabbi Hanina Ben Dosa prays for the rain to stop—and it does! But soon he realizes there are consequences beyond his own comfort.

More



[In Which I Finally Figure Out What Shemini Atzeret Is](#) via kveller
[What is Shemini Atzeret?](#) via My Jewish Learning

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CORNERED BEEF ON RYE FUNDRAISER MARKS 21ST YEAR!

Get ready to savor delicious delicatessen when our Corned Beef on Rye – Sure to Satisfy Fundraiser returns on Thursday, October 19 for a 21st year!

For your convenience, we're offering drive-thru pick up and a delivery option on Deli Day. Special sponsorship opportunities also are available.

New this year: An improved drive-thru process, with more volunteers ready to reduce your time in line.

Boxed meals are \$18 each when ordered by Friday, October 6. After that date and at the door, meals are \$21 each. Each meal includes a heaping 1/3-pound corned beef sandwich on rye, giant pickle, creamy coleslaw, fudgy brownie, and a drink.

[Order online](#) or [download an order form](#) at www.templecav.org. We've also got additional pounds of bulk corned beef for sale for \$20 per pound. Delivery service is available when you order 12 meals or more by Friday, October 6 for \$15 per address.

Become a sponsor! Three sponsorship levels are available for donations made by Friday, October 6. You can even [donate online](#) today!

Become a gold sponsor with a donation of \$1,000 or more to be recognized on an enclosure inside each of the boxed lunches, on our website, and in our paid Facebook advertising for the sale. You also can provide a coupon or small advertisement (limited to 3.5 x 5 inches with approved wording) to be included with each meal.

Become a silver sponsor with a donation of \$500 to \$999 to be recognized on an enclosure inside each of the boxed lunches, on our website, and in our paid Facebook advertising for the sale.

Become a bronze sponsor with a donation of \$100 or more to be recognized on an enclosure inside each of the boxed lunches and on our website.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR DELI DAY

Volunteers are needed on Wednesday, October 18 for Prep Night from 6 to 9 p.m. and on Thursday, October 19, with shifts beginning at 8 a.m. It's a great way to meet others and support the Temple!

New this year: Help us get a head start on prepping the "condiment bags." You know the ones – they hold mustard packets, a spork, napkin, sponsor information, words of wisdom, and a peppermint. Assistance is needed on Monday, October 16 at 1:30 p.m. for about 90 minutes. We'll finish what we finish, with the rest to be done on Prep Night.

Please contact the office (office@templecav.org) to say you'll help.

SHARE SHABBAT, HOLIDAY WORSHIP AND SIMCHAS AT THE TEMPLE

Begin your weekend with Shabbat and share the warmth of Jewish community at [Congregation Achduth Vesholom](#) in person or via livestream on Zoom or [YouTube](#). We'll also observe Simchat Torah on Sunday, October 8 at 4 p.m.

Rabbi Meir Barger on leads Shabbat services most Fridays at 7:30 p.m. Ron Friedman leads worship most Saturdays at 9:45 a.m., with Rabbi Meir offering a D'var Torah. Joy Vey! A Kid-ish Shabbat for young children usually meets on the second Friday at 5:30 p.m. [Find the calendar](#) for details, including a Hot Topics Shabbat on October 27.

Please also join us on Friday, October 20 at 7:30 p.m. when Doris Gottlieb is called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah. In addition, we'll also celebrate the naming of Morgan Gottesman-Tod, daughter of Stephanie Gottesman & Jon Tod.

We warmly welcome guests.

COMPLETE THE CYCLE AND BEGIN ANEW ON SIMCHAT TORAH – AND CELEBRATE CONSECRATION, TOO

Be part of our festive Simchat Torah celebration on Sunday, October 8 at 4 p.m. when we parade our sacred scrolls through the Sanctuary, enjoy festive singing and flag waving, and complete the reading of the Book of Deuteronomy while also beginning the Book of Genesis.

Join us in person or online via Zoom or [YouTube](#) for our service, led by Rabbi Meir Barger on. We'll also celebrate the Consecration with two of our youngest students. Mazel tov to Noa Hadashi, daughter of Leah Zimmerman and Shai Hadashi, and Teddy Rosman, son of Leise & Brian Rosman.

Consecration honors the beginning of a student's formal Jewish learning and also affirms our commitment and dedication to educating our young people in Jewish tradition.

HOT TOPICS SHABBAT WILL FOCUS ON FOSTER CHILDREN

Learn more about foster care in our community during a [Hot Topics Shabbat](#) on Friday, October 27 at 7:30 p.m. with Juliette Smith, founder and director of [Fostering Hope for Children](#).

As part of the Temple's longstanding commitment to social action and in honor of our [175th Anniversary](#), please also support a mitzvah project to assist 175 foster children in Northeast Indiana through a collaboration with Fostering Hope for Children. [Find out more](#)

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JOIN US WITH YOUR PET FOR BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Do you have a pet? A dog? A cat? An iguana? Or maybe you just love animals?

Meet us in the Temple parking lot on Sunday, October 22 from 11 a.m. to noon in honor of our just completed reading of [Parashat Noach](#), and have your pet blessed by Rabbi Meir.

Refreshments for both pets and their humans will be provided. Big or small does not matter, as there will be a blessing for all!

We'll meet in the Temple Parking Lot. In the event of rain, we'll move to the front door portico.

All dogs must be leashed; cats may be leashed or brought in a carrier. All other animals must arrive in carriers.

JOIN THE FUN AT JOY VEY! A KID-ISH SHABBAT

Gather 'round your little kids for a playful and silly, yet peaceful start to Shabbat for the whole family on Friday, October 13 from 5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Temple.

In our cooperative, family-run service, we light candles, pray, sing songs, move and groove, and even practice mindfulness.

[Find the link](#) for more information on signing up to help with the

co-op.

Please join us and Rabbi Meir in the tradition of blessing your children as we make a joyful place for Shabbat in our lives and hearts... together. Joy Vey! A Kid-ish Shabbat will meet in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.

SUKKAH DECORATING & PIZZA LUNCH WITH KESHER

Bring the kids and join us for a family-friendly KESHER program on Sunday, October 1 from 10:30 a.m. to noon to decorating the sukkah, shake the lulav and etrog, read holiday stories, and share Pizza in the Hut lunch. Please RSVP by Friday, September 29 to the Temple at office@templecav.org or (260) 744-4245.

BAG ASSEMBLY TEAM WILL MEET IN OCTOBER

Our [Thoughtful Thursdays](#) team will meet on Wednesday, October 4 at 10 a.m. to assemble bags for the 51 children who attend Brightpoint Head Start at the Temple.

Thank you to everyone who contributed toward our 13th Annual Apple Project to raise funds to provide fresh fruit for Head Start families.

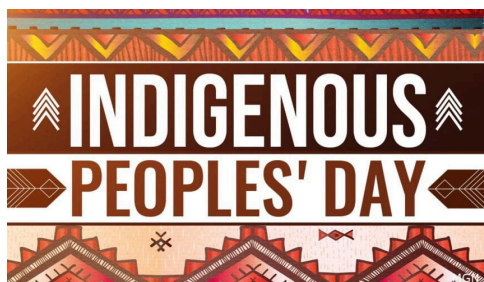
Contact Sally Trotter at sartrotter@gmail.com to learn more. Thoughtful Thursdays is a project of [Congregation Achduth Vesholom](#) and the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#).

SAVE THE DATE FOR 175th ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND IN NOVEMBER

Plan to join us for the Temple's [175th Anniversary Weekend](#) on November 10-12 to celebrate our milestone year as Indiana's oldest Jewish congregation.

Highlights include welcoming Rabbi Rick Jacobs, President of the Union for Reform Judaism, as our keynote speaker at Shabbat evening services; Shabbat morning worship, followed by a Kiddush luncheon; Song session and Havdalah with Musician Orin Reynolds; and a community open house on Sunday afternoon featuring the launch of a new Jewish Heritage Tour with ARCH, a string quartet from the Philharmonic, and the opening of the Temple's museum.

In addition to Rifkin Campus events, [a special exhibit](#) called "Jewish History and Art Illuminated: 175 Years of Congregation Achduth Vesholom" will be open November 11 through January 28, 2024 at the [Fort Wayne Museum of Art](#).



**Our office will be closed on
Monday, October 9**



JEWISH DNA RESEARCH AND HOLOCAUST REUNIONS



Following a successful “Meet Your Mishpocha” open house with Greg Shoup in September, the Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society will be hosting genealogist, Jennifer Mendelsohn on Sunday, October 29th beginning at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Jennifer is a sought-after genealogist who specializes in helping Eastern European Jewish families shattered by the Holocaust reclaim their history. Her journey began in 2013, when she reunited her husband's grandmother—a Polish Holocaust survivor who had lost her entire immediate family and most of her extended family—with three living first cousins she had never known. Since then she has worked on scores of cases, solving complex family mysteries using a blend of traditional and genetic genealogy.



At 2:00, she'll begin with “No, You Don't Really Have 7900 4th Cousins,” a discussion of Jewish DNA research. In this talk, Jennifer Mendelsohn will help those with Ashkenazi heritage learn how to make sense of their DNA results. She'll cover the basics of DNA testing, including why our match lists are so large (hello, endogamy!), why all

our matches seem to match each other (endogamy, again!), and how to spot the meaningful matches and separate them from the faux ones. Using real-life examples of DNA success, you'll learn techniques that will help you work effectively with DNA to expand your Ashkenazi family tree.

At 3:30, she'll continue with a discussion of her DNA Reunion Project. This session will detail some of the amazing and unexpected reunions Jennifer has been able to make happen through dogged paper trail research and careful DNA analysis, culminating in the establishment of the DNA Reunion Project at the Center for Jewish History in 2022. She'll share these incredible reunion stories along with some tips and best practices for reconnecting with lost relatives.



Thanks to the Harry W. Salon Foundation for their support of this program. Both presentations are free and open to the public. Registration can be found at www.NEIndianaJGS.org to get the Zoom link for both programs.

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WE ARE HERE TO HELP



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.



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.



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.

We are here to help!



Wellspring provides essential necessities of clothing, food, and personal hygiene items. In addition, Wellspring offers after school and summer programs for youth, as well as programming for older and disabled adults. Call today at 260-422-6618 or visit our website www.wellspringinterfaith.org to learn more. All services are free of charge and no referral or voucher is needed. We are here to serve all who need our help.

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- **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**
- **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 (CRC) Fund

- A donation was received from **Carol & Larry Adelman** in honor of **Jaki Schreier** being named a 2023 Hoosier Jewish Legend

JNF - Plant a tree in Israel

- A donation was received from an **anonymous** donor
- A donation was received

from **Jaki & Eric Schreier** in honor of **Doris Gottlieb** becoming a Bat Mitzvah

The Martha Rothenberg Replane Theater & Creative Arts Fund

- A donation was received from **Jo Ellen & Mike Rush** in honor of **Jaki Schreier** being named a 2023 Hoosier Jewish Legend



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)

October 5 – Bagger Dave's Burger Tavern
2886 E. Dupont Road

October 19 – No lunch
Corned Beef on Rye Fundraiser

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

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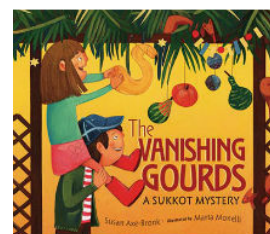
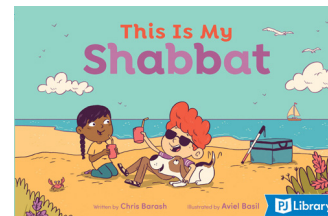
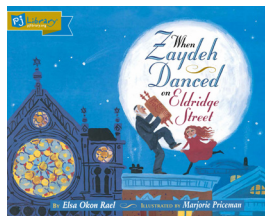
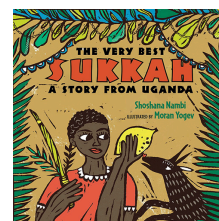
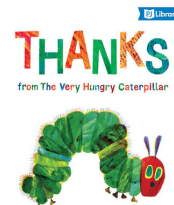
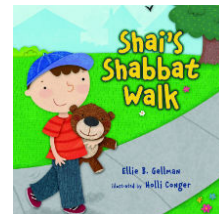
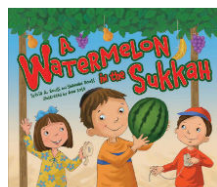
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