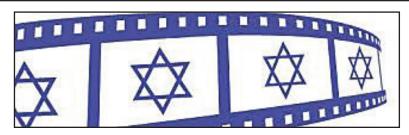
# FEDERATION PROGRAMS



### 3rd Annual Jewish Documentary Film Series

Films screen on Saturday nights at 7:00 p.m. at the Jewish Cultural Center. Individual Tickets: \$7 (includes popcorn and a soft drink or water).

Films are suitable for ages 16 and older.



#### January 10 @7p.m. ABOVE AND BEYOND

In 1948, just three years after the liberation of Nazi death camps, a group of Jewish American pilots answered a call for help. In secret and at great personal risk, they smuggled planes out of the U.S., trained behind the Iron Curtain in Czechoslovakia and flew for Israel in its War of Independence. This ragtag band of brothers not only turned the tide of the war; they also embarked on personal journeys of discovery, sacrifice and renewed Jewish pride. ABOVE AND BEYOND is their story.

The first major feature-length documentary about the foreign airmen in the '48 War, ABOVE AND BEYOND brings together new interviews as well as stunning aerial footage to present a fascinating, little-known tale filled with heart, heroism and high-flying chutzpah.



### January 17 @ 7p.m. BEFORE THE REVOLUTION

During the 60's and 70's thousands of Israelis are living in Tehran, enjoying a special relationship with the Shah and his dictatorial rule. Protected by large arms deals and complex financial ties, the Israeli community enjoy a wealthy and luxurious lifestyle; failing to note that the corrupt and despised ruling power to which they are connected, is collapsing.

By the time they understand that their 'Iranian Paradise' is turning into hell, it is almost too late, and they stand to find themselves in the middle of the Islamist revolution, due to take Iran by storm. Using rare archive footage, interviews with diplomats, Mossad agents, businessmen and their families, the director – whose family had been part of the very same community – reveals a new perspective on the revolution that changed the world. What starts as a nostalgic look at a lost era, becomes a thrilling story where huge dreams are shattered in a dark reality of greed, blindness and lust for power.

#### **Sponsor the Documentary Film Series!**

**Researcher Level Sponsor** \$18: two tickets to each of the screenings plus recognition in *The Shofar* **Interviewer Level Sponsor** \$36: four tickets to each of the screenings plus recognition in *The Shofar* 

Contact Ann Treadwell 493-0270, ext. 13 or atreadwell@jewishchattanooga.com

#### **Proposed 2015 Board of Directors**

Federation Nominating Committee recommends the following Board and Executive committee positions:

#### **Terms expiring January 2016**

Amelia Allen David Israel Lauren Lebovitz Barbara Oxenhandler Kevin Rose

#### **Terms expiring January 2017**

Julie Cowan Izzie Frumin Adam Green Matt Kodsi Rachel Privett Arvin Reingold Elaine Winer

#### Terms expiring January 2018

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Balser, Jeff
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Chambers, Sandy
Cohn, Herb
Cohn, Sue (Deceased)
Dzik, Michael
Fairchild, David
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Hodes, Alvin
Howard, Lynn



Jaffe, Sam
Lebovitz, Alison
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Richelson, Alan
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The Legacy Society is made up of individuals who, in the tradition of our Jewish faith, wish to share their blessings with others by providing for the future needs of the Jewish community. There are a number of ways to contribute to the Jewish Federation's Endowment through estate planning: a bequest in a will, contribution of the remainder of an IRA or other retirement plan, a life insurance policy, charitable remainder trust, donor advised fund, charitable gift annuity, piece of real estate, securities or other property, or the donation of other assets. However they choose to contribute, Legacy Society members can be sure that their planned gift will turn their dreams for a strong future Jewish community into a reality.

#### **Proposed Executive Committee Members**

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## COMMUNITY LIFECYCLES

#### Rebecca Dzik Bat Mitzvah January 31

Rebecca Grace Dzik will become a Bat Mitzvah at B'nai Zion Congregation on Saturday, January 31, 2015 (this is also her 13th birth-day!) Rebecca is the daughter of Michael Dzik and Jennifer Dzik. Her older sister is Rachel, and Rebecca often refers to herself as the sister of Allie, a four-year-old mutt who's stolen both her heart and her pillow. Rebecca's grandparents are Fran and Joe Dzik of Chattanooga, Gail and Joel Susman of Chattanooga, Michael Ulin of Chattanooga and Susan McDaniel of San Angelo, TX.

Rebecca is a 7th grader at East Hamilton Middle School where she is a member of the National Junior Honor Society and sings in the choir. She devours books, preferably with a hint of scifi, and truly loves Chattanooga, finding adventures and traditions throughout the city. Rebecca loves going to the aquarium, splitting her adoration between the butterflies and penguins. And nothing gets past heran avid Geocacher, she and her Aunt Becky scavenge for hidden treasures. Through her parents' and grandparents' love of travel, Rebecca has been lucky enough to see London, Paris, Alaska, Florida, and even Las Vegas! Her favorite destination is Yellowstone National Park.

Rebecca's respect for Judaism and love of community come from early-childhood education and spectacular summer camp experiences. At age two she started attending the community Sunday school (CJCRS); she went to Aleph Bet Children's Center preschool; and she's been a regular at B'nai Zion Hebrew School since Kindergarten. Rebecca has had many great teachers, but her favorite is Mr. David (Fairchild)—she recalls many lessons from him and shares them with the family at the perfect moment. Rebecca has been attending Camp Ramah Darom since "Taste;" that's been five years of fun and friendships, and she is ready to go again this summer! Rebecca is also a member of B'nai Zion's Kadima chapter.

Rebecca has chosen to sponsor a disadvantaged at-risk child in Israel for her mitzvah project. She will be raising funds to assist this child in their Bar/Bat Mitzvah tutoring, the purchase of a Tallit, Shabbat clothes, and a Bar/Bat Mitzvah celebration.

The entire community is invited to celebrate with Rebecca for both her 13th birthday and her Bat Mitzvah January 31 at B'nai Zion Congregation at 9:30AM. A Kiddush luncheon will follow the service.

#### **Jewish Federation Tributes**

To make a tribute, please contact the Federation at 493-0270, ext. 10 or federation@jewishchattanooga.com. Tributes of any amount are payable in cash, by check (to JFGC), or by MC, Visa, Discover, or Amex.

When you make a tribute, you may designate who receives a card acknowledging your tribute, and you will also receive a written record of your donation. Tributes made after *The Shofar* goes to press will appear the following month. You may choose to make a tribute anonymously.

For the recovery of Amy Boulware Sanford Winer **Karen Diamond** 

For the recovery of Amy Boulware

Sylvia Saloshin and Gene Kleiman

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Anita Levine

Milton Goldstein's significant birthday

Helen Pregulman

For all the help of Ann Teadwell

Anita Levine

### By The Numbers:

Latkes: 450 Donuts: 300

Friends and Family: 150 Community Chanukah Party:

**PRICELESS!** 

See back page for photos

#### **MAZEL TOV**

...to Erica and Brandon Newman on the birth of Henry Levi Newman December 14.

#### **WELCOME NEWCOMERS**

Next time you are at Romano's Macaroni Grill on Gunbarrel Road, say a warm welcome to General Manager Brett Douglas, who is new to our community.

#### **CONDOLENCES**

We are saddened by the passing of the following beloved members of our Federation community:

Pauline Polsky Hyman of Murfreesboro, TN passed away October 23.

Annette Miller, wife of Lou Miller, died December 8.

Erwin R. Thal, M.D., father/father-in-Law of Barbie and Steven Potts and grandfather of Will and Carolyn Potts, died December 13.

Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to the bereaved.

Although the Shofar deadline is the 8th of the month, mazel tovs and condolences are accepted at any time. Please contact Dana Shavin at 493-0270, ext. 12 or dshavin@jewishchattanooga.com

#### Take Home Chef Alice Goss-Morgan's "Bowls of Love"

Purchase matzo ball soup or chili for just \$4 for a one-bowl container or \$8 for a two-bowl size.

Call ahead to reserve; we do run out. Contact Ann Treadwell (do not call the kitchen directly), 493-0270, ext. 13; atreadwell@jewishchattanooga.com to get your order packaged and ready to go!





About PJ Library: PJ LIBRARY IS A JEWISH FAMILY ENGAGEMENT program implemented on a local level throughout North America. Participants receive high-quality Jewish children's literature on a monthly basis. Families raising Jewish children from age six months of age eight years (depending on the community) are encouraged to enroll at www.pjlibrary.org. PJ Library in Chattanooga is sponsored through the generosity of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation, the Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga, Aleph Bet Children's Center, and Diagnostic Pathology Services, P.C.

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### Lessons Learned, Lessons Shared

by Co-Directors Paula Israel CJCRSDir2@gmail.com; 423-802-8434 and Jackie Rosenfeld; CJCRSDir@gmail. com; 423-762-0104

I'm not a very good traveler. I find it all to be just a bit exhausting, especially airline travel. Everything moves too fast for me; I never have enough time to just look at places and people and take it all in. Thank goodness for my digital camera; now I can take almost endless photographs to help me remember what I've seen.

Our Federation trip to Israel, Poland, and Jordan was meant to strengthen our love of Israel and Judaism, and indeed all trips to Israel do that in many ways – so many beautiful historical and new sites to view, so many and varied food choices, so many new people to meet and enjoy time with. Here are a few memories I brought back with me:

I wish I could share a photo of the bike lanes I saw in Tel Aviv, but alas, I was too slow to get a good picture from the bus. Imagine this:: to the side of the regular vehicle lane is a bicycle lane, about five feet wide, separated from the traffic only by a small brick rising: just enough to have a dedicated, two-way lane system just for bike riders. Brilliant! Why can't we have more of those here in the U.S.? It does take away from street parking, but this has to be safer for biker riders. Tel Aviv has a version of Bike Share, too, and we saw many bike kiosks.

I have fond memories of the couple we shared a small table with on a busy street in a Jerusalem shuk on a Friday afternoon. We ate at the Aroma Café, a modern venue set amidst the numerous old-style vendor booths. It was a last chance to enjoy a quick snack and drink and exchange experiences. They were lucky to have inherited a home in Israel and tried to visit as often as possible. In parting, the gentleman said to me, "You don't look any more Jewish than we do."

Touring Poland in the rain was quite an experience. The first day was bright and sunny when we visited the camps, an anomaly considering what happened there so many years ago. Did you know the name Buchenwald comes from the name for birch trees? Far off in the distance we could see a stand of birch trees, with their white outer barks witness to a seemingly long-ago horror.

I recall another Shabbat late afternoon, rushing into a small shop, desperately looking for something we could eat in our room on Saturday. I stopped someone who was speaking English and directing a small group to find the items written in Hebrew on their short lists.

"Help me! I said. "What should I buy for my husband and me to eat tomorrow in our hotel room?"

"Ah, that's easy," she said. "Pick out some packaged kosher lunch meat, get some hummus and challah or crackers, and select some pre-made Israeli salad or cous-cous or some pickles and have yourself a feast!"

On our last day in Israel, we had a few hours to spend looking at the Mediterranean Sea, listening to metal clanking against the boat masts, watching the sun go down, watching birds flitter about looking for food scraps, seeing a small group of young people racing around on Segways. It was heaven sitting in a rocking chair and enjoying the breezes and the birds.

Did you know that brides and grooms in all their finery come down to the seaside to take portraits for their wedding albums? Apparently it's common to visit famous landmarks and have one's wedding pictures taken there. One photographer had a difficult time in a narrow passageway because of all the people going up and down the steps. It seemed like the randomness of it all lent to the joy of the chaos.

I got great pictures of architecture. Some of my favorites were taken in Petra, Jordan--colorful mosaics, extensive and beautiful woodwork on the ceil-

#### **BABY IT'S COLD OUTSIDE**

In the event of inclement weather, you can check for school closings on the news crawl at the bottom of your TV screen. Or feel free to contact Paula or Jackie at the above-listed emails and phone numbers.

ing, the elaborate furniture, beautiful sinks and doors in the bathroom. Our everyday buildings here are very bland compared to the ones I saw.

I'll never forget the beautiful cemetery in Poland. 250,000 people buried there, only 150,000 headstones, meaning-many were buried in mass graves. It was started in 1809 and is still an active cemetery. Many Jews from the ghettos are buried there. The gravestones were tightly packed, all different shapes, some displaced by trees. So many precious lives.

Be sure to tell your family and friends you love them, every day. Each life is precious and unique. It's true that travel does enlighten the mind, but it also reminds us that there's no place like home.

# Scenes from Mission Trip to Israel, Poland and Jordan

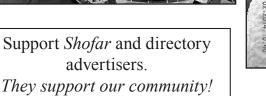


Counterclockwise from left: sunset on the Mediterranean Sea; folding chairs; beautiful bathroom architecture; a bride on the West Bank.











Your gift to the Annual Campaign enables the Federation to partially fund CJCRS. Thank you!

# B'NAI ZION CONGREGATION

# B'nai Zion Conareaation

#### For Our Ancestors, For Us, For Our Descendants



Sunday, January 4: 9:30 a.m. Monthly Bagels, Lox and Tefillin Minyan Come for the praying and stay for the food!

#### Sisterhood Shabbat

Shabbat, Jan. 10: 9:45 a.m.

Join in as members of the B'nai Zion Sisterhood lead our congregation in prayer. Kiddush luncheon sponsored by the organization will follow.



#### B'nai Zion AIPAC Shabbat

Shabbat morning, Jan. 17: 9:45 a.m. Shabbat services followed by Kiddush luncheon and a conversation focused on Israel.

#### Ethan Goldblatt Bar Mitzvah

Saturday, January 17: 5:30 p.m.

Join us as Ethan is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah during the Mincha service.





Sisterhood Women About Women: A Tu b'Shevat Story

Tuesday, Jan. 27: 7:00 p.m.

### Coming in February



#### Annual World Wide Wrap

The World Wide Wrap is an international program of Federation of Jewish Mens Clubs that allows Jews from all over the world to join together to practice and learn about the performance of the mitzvah of wrapping talit and tefillin. This year we will focus on the mitzvah of tzitzit and learn about the idea of techelet, the blue thread. If you would like to order a blue thread and learn to tie your own tzitzit, please email Jason at jason@bzcongregation. com. Breakfast will be served following program.

Free and open to all members of the community.

#### **Contact Information**

114 McBrien Road Chattanooga, TN 37411 Telephone: (423) 894-8900 Fax: (423) 894-8902 Email: shul@bzcongregation.com

www.bnaizioncongregation.com

#### **Adult Education**



#### Lessons Of Leadership: Timeless, Jewish, and Effective

Thursday, January 15 @ 12 p.m. Continuing this month, join us the first Thursday of the month for an invigorating conversation of how the Tanakh and today's leaders can influence our personal model of leadership. There will be two classes for your convenience:

East Brainerd - Barnes & Noble, Hamilton Place Downtown – Waterside Pavillion at Miller Plaza

#### Lunch -n-Learn

Thursday, Jan. 8 & 22: 12 p.m. @ BZ Join us for invigorating conversations with Rabbi Tendler. RSVP to Marcia with your lunch preference (tuna or egg salad). Cost is \$5.



Questions about Adult education? Contact Jason Cathcart at Jason@bzcongregation.com.

#### **Beit Sefer Ivri**

We are excited to begin 2015. In December, we had an excellent time at our third annual BSI @ Barnes & Noble Day. Students participated in Chanukah related learning, games and activities.

#### Beit Sefer Ivri Meeting Dates – January 7, 14, 21, 28 Junior Congregation – January 17





For more information about Hebrew school or upcoming youth events, contact Jason Cathcart: 894-8900 x103 or jason@bzcongregation.com



It will be a SUPER bash! The Biggest Day in Football Sunday, Feb. 1: 5:00 p.m. Giant Screen TV, Chili, Hot Dogs, Beer, Lots of Fun Admission without square is \$10 Call B'nai Zion (894.8900) to get into the game!



Save the Date! Interfaith Shabbat Friday, Feb. 20: 5:45 p.m. Join us for a Shabbat filled with fellowship, learning and fantastic food.

Table sponsorships are available for \$118. Please contact the office if you are interested.

# MIZPAH CONGREGATION



by Donna Ettkin

#### January 2015 Worship and Learning Schedule:

Friday, January 2

Oneg Shabbat at 5:45 pm

Kabbalat/Erev Shabbat Service at 6:15

First Friday Shabbat Dinner to follow Service

Friday, January 16

Oneg Shabbat at 5:45 pm

Shabbat Shirim / A Shabbat of Song at 6:15 pm with Guest Speaker Dr. Clark White in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Weekend

Friday, January 9, 23, 30

Oneg Shabbat at 5:45 pm

Kabbalat/Erev Shabbat Service at 6:15 pm

Saturday, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Breakfast and Torah Study at 9:00 am

Shabbat Morning Service at 11:00 am

**Sunday, January 11, 18, 25** 

Confirmation Classes, 12:30 to 1:30 pm

Tuesday, January 6, 13, 20, 27

Early Morning Study, 7:30 to 8:30 am: "Well-known (and some not-so-well-known) Jews and their achievements"

#### Wednesday, January 14, 21, 28

Mizpah Academy Hebrew Classes, 4:30 to 6:00pm, for children and youth: "Learning the First Language of the Jewish People," using the Mitkadem (Progressive) curriculum of the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ)

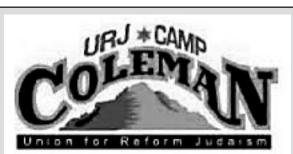
#### Thursday, January 8, 15, 22, 29

Conversion to Judaism Classes, 4:00 to 5:00 pm See Rabbi Bill S. Tepper for further information.

#### **Special Events**

#### Tuesday, January 20

Book reading/discussion by Melanie Young, author, Mizpah alumnus and daughter of Sonia and the late Mel Young. For further details, contact the Temple Office by telephone, 423-267-9771; or email, mizpah@epbfi.com.



Registration is well underway for the 2015 Summer Sessions of the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) Camp Coleman. Located in northeast Georgia, and approximately two and one-half hours driving from Chattanooga, Camp Coleman has, for over fifty years, served the Reform Jewish communities of the Southeast U.S.A. Athletics, Art, Music, Drama, Dance, Nature Study and Jewish Learning are incorporated into camp life. The camp is led by a highly experienced administration, while campers are guided by skilled and caring counselors, complemented each summer by specialist staff from Israel and rabbis representing Reform Congregations of the Southeast. The Camp Coleman experience does so much to enhance our children's Jewish identities and self-esteem. As well, campers establish friendships that last a lifetime. Please peruse the Camp Coleman website (coleman.urjcamps. org), and/or arrange to speak, as soon as possible, with Rabbi Bill Tepper, a Camp Rabbinic Faculty Member. Scholarships and tuition assistance are available!



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Grace Episcopal Church youth visit Mizpah on October 19



Rabbi Tepper, Paula Israel, Co-Director of the CJCRS, and Institute for Southern Jewish Life visiting Education Fellow Noah Westreich at Mizpah for First Friday Shabbat, December 5



The Grateful Gobbler group photo, l-r: Amy Cohen, Ellen Hays, Ken Hays, Jon Cohen, Richard Zachary, Rabbi Bill Tepper, Gerry Cohn, Bev Coulter, Judy Mogul, Herb Cohn on Thanksgiving Day, November 27

#### **MIZPAH ACADEMY**

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# CHABAD OF CHATTANOOGA



by Rabbi Shaul Perlstein



This is the story about a very beautiful and very special mirror. It hung on a wall in the dining room of a fine house belonging to a rich man, yet all who passed noticed the imperfection on its corner. Here is the story:

In a small town in Poland many years ago, there lived a man called Zalman. He owned a small store and though he was not a rich man, no visitor that came to his home ever left hungry. Zalman lived in a simple home yet it was a warm and happy place. Everyone felt comfortable and it was always filled with visitors.

It happened once that one of the guests welcomed in his home was - unbeknownst to Zalman - a very holy, wise and famous Rebbe from a town far way. Noticing Zalman's kindness and generosity, he blessed Zalman with riches. It did not take long for this blessing to come true, and Zalman became one of the richest men in the town.

Before long Zalman became a busy man no longer did he have time to spend with his guests. His simple home was replaced with a mansion, its many rooms filled with luxuries. Expensive furniture replaced the old worn out ones, but the most expensive was the magnificent gold framed mirror that covered the living room wall. This house was so fancy that Zalman did not want to let beggars or poor people come in. Strangers were no longer invited for a meal. Servants would open the door and give some money to the needy, but that was all.

Time passed. One day a messenger from the famous Rebbe who had given Zalman the blessing came to seek his help for an innocent Jewish man had been put in prison on false charges. Of course Zalman was happy to help. He gave the messenger the money he needed and sent him off with good wishes for a safe trip home. Upon returning, the messenger related

to the Rebbe that surprisingly he was home!

The Rebbe to see what could When the Rebbe house, Zalman and invited him ful home, but gone once felt there. The heavy rug. He saw looked at the expenat the drapes made



"Zalman is different," not even invited into his

decided to visit Zalman be done. arrived at Zalman's welcomed him warmly into his big and beautiwas the warmth he Rebbe walked on the the costly paintings. He sive, new furniture, and from the finest, softest

velvet. And then he noticed the mirror.

"Ah that mirror, " said Zalman, "is my favorite treasure. Of all the lovely things I own, I like that mirror the best."

The Rebbe looked at Zalman and asked him to walk over to the mirror and stand in front of it and tell him what he saw. Puzzled Zalman answered, "Myself. I see my own reflection."

"Look closely," the Rebbe said. "What else do you see?"

"I see my lovely furniture reflected in the mirror. I see my paintings, I see my rugs and drapes. I can see many things in my beautiful home," answered Zalman.

The Rebbe then walked over to the window with Zalman and began to ask him about the many people walking around below. "Oh, there's Sara with the basket," exclaimed Zalman, "a poor widow with many small children. That's Bentze, the water-carrier, who was getting old and found it hard to carry the water. Here's Yankel the tailor, a fine Jew but never has enough money for his family."

Why should he be so curious about all these people? Zalman wondered, when the Rebbe said to him, "It is strange, is it not? A mirror and a window are both made of glass and yet when you looked in the mirror you could only see yourself, and when you looked out the window you could see all your neighbors and friends from the whole town."

"That is true," said Zalman. "A mirror and a window are both made from glass. The window is clear and transparent. Light can pass right

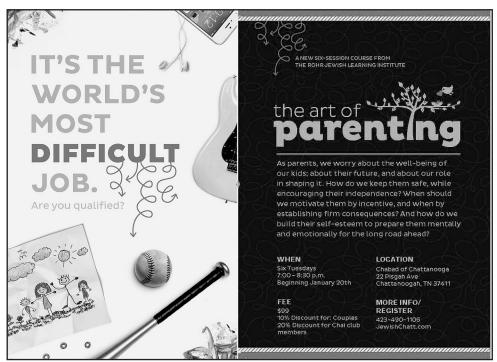
through it. The mirror, on the other hand, is covered with silver on one side. The rays of light cannot pass through, and therefore a mirror can only reflect what is in front of it."

"I see," said the Rebbe and nodded his head. "Do you think if you scrape off the silver from the glass, the light would pass through and you would be able to see everyone else instead of yourself?" Zalman suddenly understood what the Rebbe was saying and felt so ashamed.

That evening, Zalman made a big party in his home. The whole town was invited, especially all the poor people. Everyone had a fine time. He made a short speech and asked for everyone's forgiveness. He told his guests that he promised to be like his old self once again. When the party ended he walked over to his beautiful mirror, took a sharp knife and scraped off the silver covering in one corner. He did not stop until that part was as clear as glass.



Thank you Home Depot for hosting and sponsoring this fabulous event. We got into the Chanukah spirit by building and painting beautiful menoras. A great time was had by all! (See back page for finished products!)



Fun and Learning at Chabad



For more information about any of the events on this page or to RSVP, please contact 423-490-1106 or rabbishaulp@gmail.com

## **HADASSAH NEWS**





## What We've Been Up To

by Judy Sachsman Past President

Hadassah celebrated Chanukah, complete with with latkes and donuts, in conjunction with the Federation. The event was chaired by Carolyn Sherman, Then at the annual Mizvah Day Project at National Health Care (NHC), chaired by Rosalyn Vogel, members assisted with their Christmas party.

Chattanooga members should save Wednesday, January 7 for an installation/pot-luck dinner at 6 p.m. at the JCC. It's the "Brilliant Babes" Brainstorming Buffet and officer installation. In order to plan for the 2015 Hundred Year Anniversary of the Chattanooga Chapter, members should bring programming ideas and their favorite pot luck specialty. RSVP to Sandy Tabakin at 706-820-0123 or sandyjtab@gmail.com to let Sandy know what delicious dish will be coming.

The annual Hadassah-hosted Dinner at the Inn for Chattanooga Room at the Inn residents will take place Monday, January 12. Members are asked to contribute an entree, side dish, or a dessert that will serve at least eight people. Any member interested in staying to serve and share dinner with the residents is welcome. Please contact Helen Smith at 423-698-2336 or Helen\_smith01@epbfi. com no later than January 4th to help her coordinate the meal.

Save May 17 for a fabulous Donor Luncheon celebrating the chapter's 100th anniversary. Finette Weiner and Ellyn Brooks are arranging the luncheon at Ruth's Chris Steak House at the Hamilton Place Embassy Suites.

National Hadassah news: Chattanooga's Dana Waxler is the National Vice Chair of Keepers of the Gate. Keepers of the Gate in the Chattanooga chapter include Dana Banks, Claire Binder, Ellyn Brooks, Ronni Charyn, Cora

Feintuch, Lynne Herman, Lynn Hochman, Millie Lander, Alison Lebovitz, Betty Lebovitz, Helen Pregulman, Judy Pressman, Rhonda Seeber (of blessed memory), Pris Siskin, Sandy Tabakin, and Dana Waxler.

Chapter members should be ready for a spectacular 100th chapter year! Join Hadassah and make a commitment. Membership in Hadassah is the perfect gift that fits every occasion.

And for every occasion, Hadassah cards are available from Paula Israel (423-802-8434). JNF trees and water certificates, starting at \$18, and a variety of Hadassah certificates, starting at \$18, are available from Millie Lander (423-698-1613). Think Hadassah for lifecycle events!



# Please see our joint Hadassah/Federation Chanukah pictures on the back page!

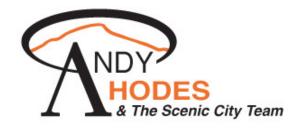
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### Jewish Federation Mission Statement

The Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga builds and fosters a strong unified Jewish community and strives to ensure its well-being and continuity locally, in Israel, and throughout the world.

# Jewish Cultural Center Statement of Purpose

The Jewish Cultural Center, funded by the Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga, is a venue for programs, classes, and exhibits; social services; and a preschool—all rooted in Jewish values. The facility enables the Jewish community to raise its visibility, foster relationships, and strengthen its identity in the Chattanooga area.

# Shofar Policies and Procedures

#### **Article/Advertising Deadline**

The deadline for *Shofar* articles, announcements, photos and advertising is the 8th of the preceding month. Submit articles via email to *Shofar* editor Dana Shavin at dshavin@jewishchattanooga.com. Photos should be emailed as high resolution (300 dpi) jpeg files. Hard copies of photos will be returned once they are scanned and the issue has gone to press.

#### The Shofar calendar

The Federation maintains an online calendar for the community that includes congregational events, social activities, special services and celebrations. Contact Carolyn Sherman or Sarah DiStefano at the Federation (493-0270, ext. 10; federation@jewishchattanooga.com) before scheduling your event and/or to add your date to the calendar. View the online calendar by visiting www.jewishchattanooga.com and clicking the calendar tab.

Only Jewish Federation and Federation-sponsored events are listed on the *Shofar* calendar, which appears on the back page of each issue.

#### Letters to the Editor

It is the policy of *The Shofar* to encourage letters to the editor. For a letter to be published, it must be signed. The writer's name will be printed. Letters may be edited for length and are selected for publication at the discretion of the editor. Letters should be no more than 200 words.

#### **Mazel Toys and Condolences**

Please contact Dana Shavin (or dshavin@jewishchattanooga.com or 493-0270, ext. 12) with information regarding mazel tovs and condolences. These announcements are accepted until the 20th of the month.

Articles about upcoming Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, weddings and other special events are featured on the Community Voices page. Text and photo must be provided in accordance with *Shofar* deadline on the 8th of the month preceding the issue.

#### **Corrections**

Please contact *Shofar* editor Dana Shavin if you find an error in *The Shofar*. We aim for accuracy.

#### **Community Directory Updates**

If you have updates/corrections to the community directory, please contact the Federation at federation@jewishchattanooga.com or 493-0270, ext 10. You can also make corrections at our website, jewishchattanooga.com.

### January 2015 Tevet/Shevat 5775

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	FEDERATION CLOSED	Aleph Bet Teacher Inservice	3
					Candle Lighting 5:23	Candle Lighting 6:23
4 CJCRS Inservice	5	Night Run Meeting 6:30 JCC	Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC Golden Agers Noon, JCC	Yiddish Committee Meeting 6:00pm JCC	9	Screening of Above and Beyond 7pm, JCC
CJCRS  Jew Crew 12:15-2pm  Annual Meeting 7pm	Archives Committee Meeting 12:30pm JCC	13	14 Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC Golden Agers Noon, JCC Crowdsourcing Meeting 5:30pm JCC	"Sound of Many Waters" and "Israel for Me" Exhibits Reception 5:30	Candle Lighting 5:29  16  Candle Lighting 5:35	Candle Lighting 6:29  17  Screening of  Before the  Revolution  7pm, JCC  Candle Lighting 6:35
18 CJCRS	19	Noon Nosh Chattanooga Harp Ensemble Quartet 12pm JCC	Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC	Eyewitness Report from Gaza 7:00pm JCC	23  YL Service Project 3-5pm Aleph Bet  Candle Lighting 5:42	24  YL  UTC  Basketball Game  Candle Lighting 6:41
CJCRS  YL Service Project 9am-12pm Aleph Bet	26	27	Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC Golden Agers Noon, JCC	29	30  Candle Lighting 5:50	Candle Lighting 6:48

For an up-to-the-minute version of a calendar that displays events for all Jewish community organizations, click the Community Calendar tab on the homepage of www.jewishchattanooga.com. The Shofar calendar lists only Jewish Federation and Federation-sponsored events.

### **Key Jewish Federation Dates**

**Screening of** *Above and Beyond* 

Saturday, January 10

**Annual Meeting** 

Sunday, January 11

**Screening of** *Before the Revolution* 

Saturday, January 17

Noon Nosh Chattanooga Harp Ensemble Quartet

Tuesday, January 20

The Shofar is online at the Federation website. Go to About Us>Publications.

Our website is under construction and should be completed by *January, 2015.* 

The online Community Calendar is current during this rebuilding period, however & community activities are up-to-date.

### **Calendar Abbreviation Key**

Aleph Bet Aleph Bet Children's Center BZ B'nai Zion Congregation

CJCRS Chattanooga Jewish Congregational Religious School

JCC Jewish Cultural Center

YL Jewish Federation Young Leadership

**P2G** Partnership 2Gether

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### Seen on the Scene @ the Jewish Cultural Center

Joint Federation-Hadassah Chanukah Party December 16







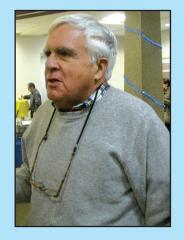
































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