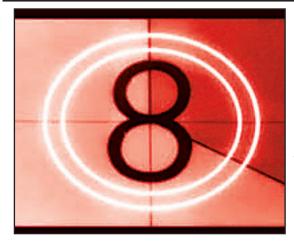
# FEDERATION PROGRAMS



# Eighth Annual Jewish Film Series at the JCC

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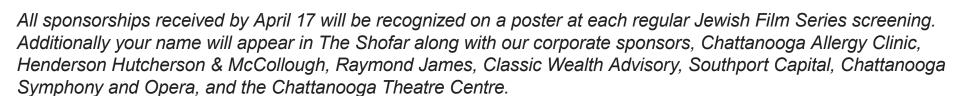
Be a star and become a sponsor of this year's Jewish Film Series. Your support will facilitate the presentation of an extraordinary and thought-provoking collection of films.

#### Producer's Circle \$90

Includes ten single admission tickets
Two tickets to the April 22nd screening of *Ida*Sponsor Reception at the Jewish Cultural Center

#### Director's Circle \$72

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Two tickets to the April 22nd screening of Ida



\*Sponsor Reception Details: Enjoy live music followed by the screening of *Ida* (Golden Globe and Oscar Nominated for Best Foreign Language Film from Poland). This amazing culinary event and private screening is only for Jewish Film Series sponsors.



All movies screen at 7:00 p.m. \$7 includes popcorn and a soft drink



#### **Ida April 22 SPONSOR EVENT**

In the 1960s Polish People's Republic, Anna, a young novice nun raised by a convent, is told by her prioress that before she takes her vows she must visit her aunt, Wanda Gruz, who is her only surviving relative. Anna travels to visit her aunt Wanda, a hard-drinking, sexually promiscuous judge who reveals Anna's actual name is Ida and that Ida's parents had been murdered late in the German occupation of Poland during World War II. **THIS FILM HAS WON NUMER-OUS FOREIGN FILM AWARDS AND IS UP FOR AN OSCAR.** Polish with English subtitles; 82 minutes.

#### Gett: The Trial of Viviane Amsalem April 29

An Israeli woman (Ronit Elkabetz) fights for three years to obtain a divorce from her devout husband (Simon Abkarian), who refuses to grant his permission to dissolve the marriage. Hebrew, French and Arabic with English subtitles; 1 hr. 55 min.

#### Mr. Kaplan May 6

After fleeing Europe for Uruguay during WWII, Jacob Kaplan built a quiet life. Now 76, he begins to question his worth. After learning of a mysterious German prowling the shores of a nearby beach, he becomes convinced that he's found a Nazi in hiding and plans to expose him. Expertly distilling a potent mixture of emotional depth and deadpan comedy, Mr. Kaplan is a vivacious meditation on family, aging, and the drive for significance. Spanish, English subtitles; 98 minutes.

#### The Art Dealer May 13

This film follows a Jewish woman who embarks on a journey to recover family paintings that were stolen by Nazis. During her investigation, she discovers some family secrets are best kept hidden. French, English subtitles; 95 minutes.

#### The Muses of Issac Bashevis Singer May 20

The elfin-looking, wizened Singer was a leading figure in the Yiddish literary movement and Nobel prize winner. He was also an unlikely ladies man, but that's exactly what he was. His appreciation for women knew no bounds, and he wasn't shy about admitting it. To make the point, the documentary includes a clip from The Dick Cavett Show in which Singer admits to having a problem with one of the Ten Commandments, specifically the one prohibiting adultery. English, Hebrew, and Yiddish with English subtitles; 72 minutes.

#### The Green Prince May 27

The son of a founding leader in the Palestinian organization, Hamas, becomes a spy for the Israelis. English; 99 minutes.

## **COMMUNITY LIFECYCLES**

#### **Did You Know?**

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#### Tributes

#### In memory of:

Mildred Berson (Mrs. Jenny B. Rosenthal) Patricia Fairchild Payne (Michael, Rachel, & Rebecca Dzik & Paula Londe; Mrs. Helen S. Pregulman) Maurice Scheni (Ms. Judith L. Sivils)

Milton Silver (Michael Dzik & Paula Londe) Molly Sonya Weiss (Claire E. Binder; Alvin D. Hodes)

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.



- --To Gary and Sally Chazen on the birth of their grandson, Henry Dylan Pinter, born Feb. 6 in New York City. Parents are Jessica Chazen and Dylan Pinter.
- -- To Austin Gross, grandson of Judy and the late Alvin Richelson, son of Merna and Bruce Gross, on his bar mitzvah in Westin, Florida.

Apologies for our goof in last month's mazel tov to Federation Executive Director Michael Dzik. He is engaged to Paula (not Paul) Londe.

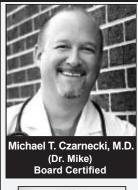




#### We mourn the passing of the following beloved friends and family:

- -Barbara Bohn, wife of Jerry Bohn, mother of Kevin and Lisa.
- --Zelig Frumin, brother of Izzie Frumin.
- --Molly Sonya Weiss, mother of Bruce Weiss.

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



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# CHATTANOOGA JEWISH CONGREGATIONAL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



### What We've Done, What's to Come

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

On the first weekend in February, Hadassah members Sandy Tabakin and Millie Lander visited CJCRS to talk about the Jewish National Fund (JNF). They offered tree and water certificates, which they explained can be framed and given for birthdays, thank you's, appreciation gifts, etc. Concurrently, all classes made homemade Chia pets with biodegradable cups, soil, and grass seed. We usually plant parsley seeds for upcoming Passover, but we used grass seed, mesh, and googly eyes this time around. You can see them in the photos at right. Aren't they cute?

On the second weekend in February, ISJL Fellow Noah Westreich visited Chattanooga. Friday night he attended Shabbat services and a Tu b'Shevat seder at Mizpah Congregation. He led a wonderfully creative, hands-on program for the children. After an interesting discussion about the importance of trees, Noah read "The Giving Tree" to the kids. After discussing the book, children colored their own Tu b'Shevat trees. Everyone had a great time!

On Saturday morning, Noah read Torah at B'nai Zion Congregation during Shabbat morning services. After a Shabbat nap, he enjoyed a beautiful visit to Coolidge Park. He commented on the vitality of our community and the high number of Frisbee players in the park.

Saturday night, Noah joined a few CJCRS board members and others for dinner at 212 Market. It was wonderful to get to know more about Noah's background and new projects in the works by ISJL. Noah also had the opportunity to see downtown Chattanooga nightlife with members of the Jewish Federation's Young Leadership group and our shlicha, Noa Hadad.

Sunday morning was very busy at CJCRS! After visiting our kindergarten/first grade class, Noah led the entire school in a sports-themed Tefillah (prayer) program. Tefillah also included singing, games, and personal reflection. From youngest children to oldest teens, Noah was able to keep the entire group engaged and active.

After school ended, Noah led the teachers through a training program and discussion about how to teach Judaism to students of different ages and grade levels. The weekend flew by and Sunday afternoon we said goodbye to our friend and ISJL fellow, Noah Westreich.

In other news, February 22nd was the deadline to turn in orders for Passover candy. This year's sale was also accompanied by a brochure with modestly priced home goods. Product distribution will be made well before Pesach which begins Friday evening, April 3rd.

Also coming up: field trip for students grades 4-8 to Whitwell Middle School to see the rail car at the Paperclip Museum. Parents will transport (carpooling suggested).

Closer to the end of the school year, we will ask that you pre-register your children online for the upcoming 2015-2016 school year, which will be held at Mizpah Congregation, 923 McCallie Avenue. Look for the school calendar in the June *Shofar*.

Online registration information should also be available by then, too. Please note that the purpose of pre-registration is to account for shifting class sizes, teacher placements, teachers' aides openings, etc., as well as how many textbooks to order for each class. Think of it as planning an elaborate dinner--we can hardly prepare if we aren't sure how many people will be attending. It is vital to our planning that you help us by pre-registering. Please know that tuition is not due until the start of classes.

Remaining school sessions for the year:
March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd.
No class March 29th (spring break)
No classes in April
May 3rd is the last session until August.

#### **Purim Carnival!**

March 8th
9:30 a.m. -noon
Open to all. No charge to attend.
10:30 -11:00 Costume contest!
\$1 Picture Booth!
Food for purchase!
Educational component led by

Rabbi Tendler and Jason Cathcart





Trent Center at CJCRS





Above and right: homemade Chia pets



Tu b'Shevat Seder in 2nd/3rd Grades with Rachel Sadowitz and Christie Fine



Rachel Sadowitz leading school in Music. We filled up the chapel!



Noah leading Tefillah/Music session

# B'NAI ZION CONGREGATION

### B'nai Zion Congregation

For Our Ancestors, For Us, For Our Descendants

#### **Purim**

#### Wednesday, March 4 at 5:45 pm.

Costume Contest, Megillah Reading, Singing, Food and Fun! Family friendly, come one, come all! Admission \$7, Children under age 5 FREE.





**CJCRS Community Purim** Carnival Sunday, March 8: 11 a.m.

#### **Women About Women** Tuesday, March 10 at 6:00 p.m.

We'll be making Miriams Cups for our seder tables at The Pottery Place (103 Cherokee Blvd.) Cost is \$20 per person. Please RSVP to the shul.





#### **Family Friday Night** Friday, March 13 at 5:45 p.m.

We're bringing FUN to Friday nights! Snacks for everyone at 5:30PM, services at 5:45, dinner of chicken and yummies by 6:30. Promises to be a fun family Friday night! You don't have to be a family to join in the ruach. Please RSVP by Mar. 11 to the office at 894-8900 or office@bzcongregation.com. Adults-\$14, Ages 6-12-\$8, Children 5 and under-free.

#### **Detroit Visit** March 13 & 14

We'll welcome 25 students (8-12th grade) and 5 staff members from Adat Shalom Synagogue in Farmington Hills, Michigan. As part of their Hebrew High School program, the students will be visiting the Children's Holocaust Memorial in Whitwell and then spending Shabbat here at B'nai Zion. I hope you will welcome them and share your experiences of southern Jewish living.





#### Pesach is coming! Clean the Kitchen for Pesach BLT

#### Sunday, March 22 at 9:30 a.m.

Monthly Bagels, Lox and Tefillin Minyan Come for the praying and stay for the food!

Following breakfast, join members of the Men's Club for their annual cleaning of the BZ kitchen for Pesach.

**Community Seder** April 4, 5:45 p.m. arrival and welcome; Seder begins at 6:00

p.m. "Let all who are hungry, come and eat." Join us for an interactive and educational experience.



Our spiritual and meaningful seder will be led by Rabbi Susan Tendler.

#### **Selling Hametz for Pesach**



We are not always able to destroy or rid a house of all hametz. The rabbis ordained that a symbolic sale is made of all hametz to a non-Jew. The hametz is then "no longer in our possession." It is customary to make a contribution to the congregation for a Passover charity. Rabbi Tendler may be designated as your agent by

filling out the authorization forms. You can find the forms on our website at www.bnaizioncongregation.com.

#### **Adult Education**

Lessons Of Leadership: Timeless, Jewish, and Effective

#### Thursday, March 5 at 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 – Waterhouse Pavillion at Miller Plaza



# **LEARN**

#### Lunch & Learn

Thursday, Mar. 12 & 26 at 12 p.m. @ BZ Join us for invigorating conversations with Rabbi Tendler. RSVP to the office 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**





Above, a typical great day at BSI!

Beit Sefer Ivri Meeting Dates – March 4, 11, 18, 25 **Junior Congregation – March 7 & 21** 



#### **SUPER-SIZED SHABBAT**

March 21 ~ Join us for our new Shabbat Morning program for children!

Mini-Minyan - 10:30 to 11:15 AM (for Pre-K to 2nd grade) Junior Congregation - 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM (for 3rd to 6th grade) Bagrut—10:00 AM to 12:00 PM (for 8th to 10th grade) We will celebrate Shabbat through tefillah, hands-on learning, study and games!



**New B'nai Zion Office Hours:** Tuesday–Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Additional times by appointment only. THANK YOU!

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

#### **Contact Information**

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## MIZPAH CONGREGATION



by Donna Ettkin

#### March 2015 Worship and Learning Schedule:

#### Friday March 6

Onfeg Shabbat at 5:45 pm

Kabbalat/Erev Shabbat Service at 6:15pm with Megillat Esther, Purim Shpiel!!! [see details elsewhere on this page] and First Friday Shabbat Dinner!

#### Friday March 13, 27

Oneg Shabbat at 5:45 pm

Kabbalat/Erev Shabbat Service at 6:15 pm

#### Friday March 20

Students and Faculty from Davis Academy - Reform Jewish Day School of Atlanta - visit Mizpah in the morning

Oneg Shabbat at 5:45 pm

Shabbat Shirim: A Shabbat of Songs at 6:15 pm

#### Sunday March 1, 8, 15, 22

Confirmation Classes, 12:30 to 1:30 pm [no class on March 29: Spring Break]

Tuesday March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Early Morning Study, 7:30 to 8:30 am [see details elsewhere on this page]

Wednesday March 4, 11, 18, 25

Mizpah Academy Hebrew classes, 4:30 to 6:00 pm [see details elsewhere on this page] Thursday March 5, 12, 19, 26

Conversion to Judaism Class, 4:00 to 5:00 pm – Contact Rabbi Bill S. Tepper for information

#### "GETTING TO KNOW WELL-KNOWN JEWS" TUESDAY MORNING LEARNING AT MIZPAH

What do Judah Halevi, Kivie Kaplan, Nancy Brinker, Susanna of the Apocrypha and Al Jolson have in common? They are among the well-known (and lesser known) Jews whose significant contributions to culture, social progress and/or Jewish history are explored and discussed during Mizpah's Tuesday Morning Learning Sessions. Please join us from 7:30 to 8:30 am each week in the library. There is no charge, all are welcome and the morning coffee is always fresh!

MIZPAH ACADEMY AND OUR HEBREW LANGUAGE

According to the great 20th century American Jewish Historian Jacob Rader Marcus, following the American War of Independence those among the new country's leadership suggested that Hebrew serve as America's first language! Though this initiative did not come to pass, it nevertheless points to the reverence with which He-

brew continues to be held - as the language of our Bible and the people who reside in Israel the Jewish homeland. At Mizpah Academy, our congregation's mid-week Hebrew Language Learning Program, we cultivate an understanding and appreciation for this "first language of the Jewish people." Our classes, each of which utilize the Reform Movement's cutting-edge Mitkadem ["Progressive"] curriculum, take place each Wednesday from 4:30 to 6:00pm. Please contact Rabbi Bill S. Tepper for further information.

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Roz Vogel and Dana Waxler



ISJL Fellow Noah Westreich and Marty Hershey

FRIDAY MARCH 6 SHABBAT and PURIM AT MIZPAH **CONGREGATION:** MEGILLAT ESTHER, FIRST FRIDAY

**DINNER** 

And **OUR SHPIEL:** "HAMAN'S KITCHEN,"

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#### MIZPAH IS ENTERING THE DIGITAL AGE!

Through a generous bequest from the estate of our Past-President, the late Hal Schwartz, and his wife Elwynn, Mizpah is happy to announce the availability of live streaming and recording of all regularly-held sanctuary services and events, as well as special events and services. We are still in the testing stage and developing policies, procedures and instructions for use and access. Stay tuned for more details.

#### VISIT MIZPAH'S GARDEN OF LIFE

We've breathed "new life" into the Garden of Life thanks to the leadership of Garden Committee Co-chairs, Ruth Longway and Betsy Temple, the vision and energy of Physical Properties Chair Gary Chazen and the hard work of our custodial/grounds staff, Steve Smith and Steve Myres. The gazebo is done, including a Magen David—Shield of David—on the top, as are the new fence and new entry gates. Plans are in the works for further updates. Contact the Temple office if you'd like to help. And visit soon.

#### MIZPAH BOOK CLUB SELECTION: The Lemon Tree by Sandy Tolan

#### March 22nd at 10:30 am

The Lemon Tree is a reminder of all that is at stake, and all that is still possible in the Middle East. It follows the journey of three young Arab men, cousins, after the 1967 Six-Day War, on a pilgrimage to their childhood homes in a town that became part of Jewish Israel. One meets a young woman and, with a simple act of faith, begins a 40-year dialogue that represents the region's hope for peace and self-determination. For further details and to r.s.v.p if you'd like to attend, email Jan Jacobs at Janice5@aol.com. The meeting takes place at Jan's house, Sunday, March 22nd at 10:30 a.m. for a pot luck brunch and discussion.



Noah Westreich with Mizpah kids.



Barbara Oxenhandler, Cindy Wood, Robert Levine and Adi Sloan at Mizpah's 1st Friday/ Tu B'Shevat dinner/ seder in February

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# CHABAD OF CHATTANOOGA



#### Israel Goy, the Holy One

From the local Chabad website

In the city of Krakow, Poland, there lived a rich Jew by the name of Israel who was famous for his stinginess. His utter heartlessness outraged and mystified the Jews of Krakow. How could a Jew be so indifferent to the needs of his brothers and sisters? People started referring to the rich miser as "Israel Goy," (Israel the foreign one) and the epithet stuck.

Years passed, when one day, the Krakow burial society received a summons to Israel's home.

"I feel that my days are numbered," he told them, "All my funeral arrangements are prearranged. There is just one thing remaining: I need to purchase a plot for my grave."

They thought this was their opportunity to collect the debt owed by Israel to the community.

"As you know," they said to him, "Each plot is priced according to the individual's ability, and the money is used for charitable purposes. You are a wealthy man, and - if you will excuse our bluntness - you have not been very forthcoming in sharing the burdens of the community, we think it appropriate to charge you 1000 gulden!"

The rich man calmly replied: "For my deeds I shall be judged in the heavenly court. It is not for you to judge me. I had planned to pay 100 guldens for my plot, not a penny more. I'm not asking for any special location or a fancy gravestone. I have just one request: on my gravestone, should be inscribed 'Here lies Israel Goy."

The members of the society exchanged glances: was the old man out of his mind? They wondered and left his house bewildered.

Israel's funeral was a sorry affair. Rumor had it that even at death's door, he refused to share his blessings with the needy. It was even difficult to scrape together the needed quorum of ten to conduct a proper Jewish burial. He was buried off to a side of the cemetery, no eulogies were held, for what could be said of such a man?

The following Thursday evening, there was a knock on the door of the chief rabbi of Krakow, the famed Rabbi Yomtov Lipman Heller (1579– 1654). Threre stood a man who explained that he had nothing with which to purchase wine, candles, challah and food for Shabbat. The rabbi gave him a few coins from his private charity fund and wished him a "Good Shabbat."

A few minutes later there was another knock on the door, and a second petitioner followed. Within the hour, no fewer than twenty families came to ask for the rabbi's aid to meet their Shabbat expenses. The rabbi was mystified; nothing like this had happened before.

Rabbi Heller called an emergency meeting of the trustees of the community's charity funds. They, too, had been deluged with hundreds of requests for aid in the last few hours. The communal coffers had been virtually emptied!

As if on cue, there was another knock on the door. "Tell me," asked the rabbi after handing a few coins to the latest petitioner, "how did you manage until now? What did you do last week?"

"We bought on credit at the grocer's," replied the pauper. "Whenever we needed food and did not have money with which to pay, the merchant wrote it down in his ledger. He didn't even bother us about payment. But now he says that that arrangement is over."

Investigation revealed that hundreds of families in Krakow had subsisted this way—up to now. For some reason, none of the grocers, fishmongers and butchers were willing to extend credit any longer to the town's poor.

At first no merchant would explain to the Rabbi what was going on. However after much persuasion the truth came out. For years, each week the town's merchants would present the bills of credit offered to the poor families of town to Israel, and he would pay in full. His only condition was that no one should know from where this help came. "If word got out, you will not see another penny from me," he warned.

The Rabbi was shattered. Such a special person had lived in their midst, and in their haste to judge him, they insulted him and reviled him.

The rabbi announced a public fast day. All adults will neither eat nor drink from morning to evening, and all will gather at the cemetery to beg forgiveness from the deceased.

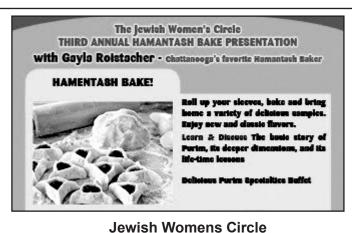
The rabbi himself eulogized Israel. "You," he cried, "fulfilled the mitzvah of tzedakah (charity) in its most perfect form—without taking any credit for the deed, and ensuring that no recipient of your generosity should ever stand ashamed before his benefactor or feel indebted to him. "

Rabbi Heller requested to be buried right next to this holy man. And so it is that the inscription on the gravestone adjoining the famed Rabbi in the old Jewish cemetery of Krakow reads: "Here lies Israel Goy Kadosh." (here lies Israel Goy the holy one).



Chabad Rab of Chattanooga

Rabbi Shaul Perlstein



Fifth Annual Hamantash bake with Gayle Roistacher Monday February 26 @ 7 pm Roll up your sleeves, bake and bring home a variety of delicious samples. Enjoy new and classic flavors. Learn and discuss the story of Purim, its deeper dimensions, and its life-time lessons **Delicious Purim specialties buffet!** 



Mini Chefs at Chabad! March 1 @ 3:30-5 pm. \$5 suggested donation Calling children ages 0-8 to showcase your talents in the kitchen. Join us for an afternoon of fun baking Hamantashen. You're sure to walk out with a trophy of your own.





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**





by Judy Sachsman Past President

As the Chattanooga Chapter of Hadassah launches its new year, Hadassah National has launched a new logo as part of its re-branding. Following a giant "H" will

be the name HADASSAH and the slogan: the power of women who DO (see example above).

Anyone who missed celebrating Tu B'shevat by purchasing tree or water certificates after Religious School can contact Millie Lander (423-698-1613). JNF trees and water certificates start at \$18. Jason Cathcart's class won for the most generous givers! Hadassah takes pride in introducing school children to tzedakah by distributing JNF Blue Boxes and promoting charitable giving and support for Israel through the Blue Box Program.

Sandy Tabakin, Millie Lander, June Collins, and Dana Waxler have just returned from the Winter Hadassah Board Meeting with great ideas and Hadassah spirit.

Save the date, May 17, for a fabulous donor event celebrating the Chattanooga Chapter's 100th anniversary. Finette Weiner and Ellyn Brooks are



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arranging the luncheon at Ruth's Chris Steak House at the Hamilton Place Embassy Suites.

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). Think Hadassah for lifecycle events!

HADASSAH: Putting our Jewish values into action: advocacy, health and well being, and building community in Israel and the US.



Chattanooga Hadassah members June Collins, Sandy Tabakin, Dana Waxler and Millie Lander lead Havdallah ceremony during Southern Region of Hadassah board meeting in Birmingham.



Keep your eye out for upcoming March Hadassah skin care event, courtesy of Dr. Galen. Elaine Winer, chair. Date TBA

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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 e-mailed 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 inside 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. Whenever possible, dates of death will be printed. 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.

### March 2015 Adar/Nisan 5775

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jew Crew retreat concludes  AIPAC Policy Conference	AIPAC Policy Conference	Tuesday Cafe 12-1 pm, JCC Cafe Dilemma River St Deli 7pm AIPAC Policy Conference	Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC	Purim	6 Archives Workshop 12:30, JCC Last Day to view Israel to Me and Sound of Many Waters Candle Lighting 6:23	Candle Lighting 7:19
8 CJCRS	9	Tuesday Cafe & Intergenerational Lunch 12-1pm	Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC	12	13	14
CJCRS  Good Deeds  Day and  Volunteer  Dinner  2-7pm, JCC	16	Tuesday Cafe & Noon Nosh with Ann Law, Barking Legs 12-1pm	Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC	19	Candle Lighting 7:29  20  Aleph Bet Spring Fling 8:45am  Candle Lighting 7:35	Candle Lighting 8:25  21  Candle Lighting 8:31
CJCRS  P2G Conference Jacksonville, FL	P2G Conference Jacksonville, FL	Tuesday Cafe 12-1pm	Mideast Dance 10:30am, JCC	Leading Roles Exhibit Reception 5:30pm	Candle Lighting 7:33  Candle Lighting 7:40	Candle Lighting 8:37  Candle Lighting 8:37
No CJCRS  No CJCRS  YL Movie Night 7pm JCC	Foreign Policy Supper Club 6 pm, JCC	Tuesday Cafe 12-1pm	1	2	Federation Closes at 3pm Passover begins at sundown Candle Lighting 7:46	Candle Lighting 8:43

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**

Cafe Dilemma

Tuesday, March 3

Noon Nosh--Ann Law, Barking Legs Theater

Tuesday March 17

**Good Deeds Day and Volunteer Dinner** 

Sunday, March 15

**Spring Fling** 

Friday, March 20

**Leading Roles Exhibit Reception** 

Thursday, March 26

**Foreign Policy Supper Club** 

Monday, March 30

### **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

### Noon Nosh with Artist Daryl Thetford February 17



Artist with portrait of artist as a young man



Thetford's photo collage: Man and Cello



Amelia Allen, Austin Center

### Israeli Music Night February 19











Going, Going, Gone!

Last day to view Sound of Many Waters and Israel to Me is March 6





