

THE SHO FAR

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Life and Legacy Celebration May 9 to Honor Endowment Donors



On Wednesday, May 9, from 5:00 to 6:30 pm, the Federation will hold a reception for Life and Legacy donors at the Jewish Cultural Center. This reception honors those who have signed Letters of Intent for Jewish Federation, Mizpah Congregation, and B'nai Zion Congregation endowments. Dinner-quality hors d'oeuvres and wine will be served. Please RSVP to Ann Treadwell (atreadwell@jewishchattanooga.com or 493-0270 ext. 13) by May 2.

11th Annual Jewish Film Series Continues Through May



The 11th Annual Jewish Film Series continues every Wednesday night at 7:15 p.m. (and one Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m.) in May. Films to be screened are: *In Between* (Wednesday, May 2); *Maktub* (Sunday, May 6 and Wednesday, May 30); *The Last Suit* (Wednesday, May 9); *A Quiet Heart* (Wednesday, May 16); and *Shelter* (Wednesday, May 23). Walk-ins welcome but RSVP is requested. Cost is \$8 and includes popcorn and a beverage. For film descriptions, please see page 9, or <http://www.jewishchattanooga.com/shofar>.

Summer Exhibit Opens to Public May 10



Effron house, Glenwood

This summer, the Jewish Cultural Center will feature an exhibit titled "Chattanooga's Jewish Neighborhoods: Where We Lived and Why," thoroughly researched and organized by community member Karen Diamond. It is a pictorial exhibit which tells the evolving story of Chattanooga's Jewish neighborhoods, an evolution which has continued for more than 150 years. Rather than attempting to

cover all neighborhoods or all areas of the city, four specific areas where Jewish families lived in the past are highlighted: West Side, Glenwood, Brookfield, and Concord Highlands. Visitors to the exhibit will also be given a booklet which outlines the story of the establishment and growth of the neighborhoods, and will be able to follow along by reading placards. The exhibit will be open during office hours and there will be no cost to attend.



Hebrew Institute

Shaliach Program, "For You Were a Stranger in Egypt," May 17 at JCC



Please join us for a program that seeks to address the controversy regarding the asylum seekers in Israel and their possible upcoming deportation. The asylum seekers "refugee"/"infiltrators" issue is a confusing and emotionally laden issue in Israel and all

over the world.

In her May 17th program, Chen Dahan will shed light on the situation: what led to it, possible solutions, and the huge social movement in favor of the asylum seekers that is shaking (and shaping) Israel's society and politics today.

The program will take place Thursday, May 17 at 7 p.m. at the JCC. There is no cost to attend. For more information, contact Chen at Israel@jewishchattanooga.com.

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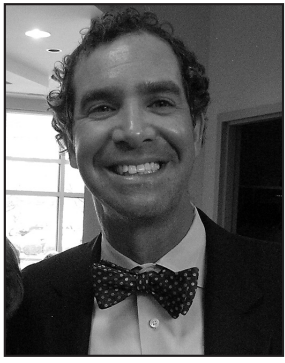
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June 5 KAVOD Presentation and Reception
June 10 Scenic City Choral Concert
June 14 AIPAC

NOTES FROM LEADERSHIP



Changing the World One Heart at a Time

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The past few months, Jewish communities around the world came together to celebrate and remember. At Passover, we remembered the exodus from Egypt, recalled that we were once slaves, and reflected on those who live in fear today and do not have the freedoms we have. We remember the past to understand and consider how we should act now and in the future.

Communities also came together at Yom HaShoah to remember Holocaust victims and survivors. In their memory, we lit a candle, a symbol of the light others bring into our lives, and also of the temporal nature of life.

Several weeks ago, I read a report released by the Anti-Defamation League, about the increase in anti-Semitic attacks.

According to the report, hate crimes against Jews rose 57% last year, to the highest number in two decades. Another report attested to the increase in membership in the KKK. A few months ago, we saw neo-Nazis marching in Charlottesville, and not too long ago, in the streets of Chattanooga. Our own state legislators failed to condemn the neo-Nazis.

I cannot continue without mentioning Mireille Knoll, an 85-year-old Holocaust survivor murdered in her home in France this past March. My heart sinks to know that we continue to live in a world not far removed from the atrocities of the past. Today I light a candle to remember Mireille, the 6 million, and everyone whose life has been cut short by acts of terrorism, acts of anti-Semitism, and acts of hate and violence.

As a community, we remember by coming together. But is that enough? What, as individuals, can we do to make a difference? A few weeks ago, our community relations committee, a passionate group composed of community members, met to discuss exactly that. I would like to share a few points that moved me. Of course we must take it upon ourselves to lead, engage, speak out, and make our voices heard. Along with these activities, we must educate and inform ourselves in order to combat sickening acts of anti-Semitism.

As a Federation, we offer speakers and programs that educate our community on the issues of today: from Iran to BDS to Israel's relationship with the diaspora. Our film series and First Amendment dinners are also examples of what we do to educate. I try to attend as many of these offerings as possible, and I call on each of us to do the same or more. Attend programs, read *The Shofar*, look at the community e-mails detailing upcoming events, and attend something that interests you. But don't stop there. We need to engage the larger community too. We need to invite someone not in the Jewish Community to join us. It is simply not enough for us to share these great programs and speakers with just our Jewish community. We must cast our outreach net wider.

Our Federation does a great job sharing speakers with other organizations in our community. In just the past few months we had speakers like Jeannie Smith, at our Annual Meeting, tell her story about her mother, Irene Gut OpDyke, a Polish rescuer, to high school kids in our community.

There are so many examples of individuals speaking out, engaging others, creating dialogue about who we are as Jews, to combat the anti-Semitic, hate-filled messages polluting our communities. As individuals we say, "Never Again," but we must also act, because actions define who we are.

It was heartwarming to see the celebration of the Passover Seder, hear the dialogue and passion at our community relations meeting, and see the candle lighting ceremony at Yom Hashoah. It's reassuring to know that we, the Jewish Community of Greater Chattanooga, fulfill the mitzvah of "Never Again" by continuing to educate, to teach and to learn, to make our community better. I call on everyone to join in and lead by example. Share our programs, and invite someone to join you. Start a dialogue. Together we can educate and enlighten, and by these actions, help change the world one heart at a time.



The Office

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The Jewish Federation is a volunteer-run organization that is guided by a very capable, professional, and caring staff. We would not be the Jewish community we are today if not for the nearly 100 volunteers who take on all types of large and small roles and responsibilities. I do my best to show my appreciation constantly. But this month I want to highlight some of the Federation staff. Some are out front while others play important roles behind the scenes. Just like with volunteers, every role is important to achieving our goals.

Alice Morgan is one of the senior members of the Federation staff; she's been with us for nearly 16 years. We've come a long way since our once-a-week lunch. We've added weekly Mitzvah Meals (pickup and delivery), receptions, tasting events, day and evening programs with meals and/or desserts, and sometimes even catered Federation events outside the JCC. Alice is poised, confident and a master at her craft. Throw any project at her and her response is always, "I've got this!"

Meghan Graybeal is the Aleph Bet Children's Center Director. She started at Aleph Bet over 11 years ago as a part-time assistant teacher. She became a lead teacher for our 2-year-olds classroom, and then added the responsibility of school coordinator. Promoted to Director nearly two years ago, Meghan is frequently adding new fundraisers and "friend-raisers," enhancing our already fantastic 3-Star school while also managing a staff of seven teachers. Confident, caring, knowledgeable, and friendly are just a few words I'd use to describe Meghan.

Ann Treadwell has been with the Federation for over 10 years, building an array of diverse and creative programs. Ann helped start our yearly exhibits program, and was in on the ground floor of our Jewish Film Series. Ann is the lead staff person for YESOD, P2G, and Philanthropy Camp. Behind the scenes, she is writing grants, and is the lead supervisor for all of our shlichim.

Annette McJunkin has been with the Federation for over eight years. Usually behind the scenes, Annette keeps our finances in order and is the facilities manager of the JCC. Annette handles all the building issues (think air conditioners, water leaks, audio visual challenges, and so much more). She maintains the vacation schedule, payroll, and even makes sure we remember each staff member's birthday!

Although Chen Dahan has been here for less than a year, the shlichim program in Chattanooga is now 7+ years old. Chen brought enthusiasm and an eagerness to engage with the community from day one. She loves to be with other people, making new friends and participating in everything Chattanooga. Her infectious smile and her activist attitude serve her well. Her love for Israel is shared daily. And she's fallen in love with Chattanooga so deeply that she will be with us for a second year as well!

Eddie Redish has been with the Federation for six years as our community nurse. Being an R.N. isn't required for this position, but it sure is a great benefit to all of us! Eddie's knowledge and "go after it" attitude is exactly what our community members need in a health care advocate. Eddie is all over town every week – from home visits to clients' doctor's appointments. Although Eddie is mostly out of the building (that's her job!), when here she keeps everyone on their toes! What a joy to have such a talented RN at the Federation.

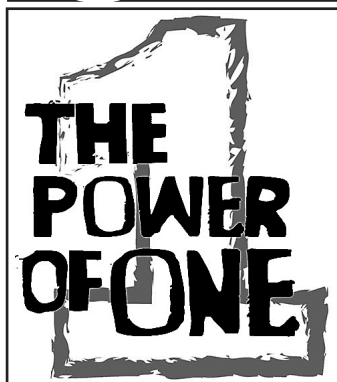
Dana Shavin came on board nearly five years ago. She revamped *The Shofar*, adding four color pages to better highlight community members and events, and to allow for the additional revenue of color ads. She played a key role in working with our webmaster to completely redesign our website, and she makes sure it and Facebook are updated regularly.

Erricka Hill, our Social Services Director, joined the Federation in October, 2017 with a personal desire to get back to hands-on social work. In her first eight weeks on the job, Erricka met with over 100 community members, and that was just to provide Medicare-D guidance! Erricka has already modernized our transportation scheduling, added important and confidential intake forms, and is constantly on the road meeting community members where they are. She has managed several crisis situations in community member's families with care and professionalism. Erricka truly cares about people, and we are extremely fortunate that she is part of the Jewish Federation family.

Support staffers Eddie Reel, Rick Jacobs and Jason Shuman are our transportation experts, making sure that community members get to all of their appointments and errands. They give personal attention to each and every rider, making sure they get from door to door in a safe and timely manner. Aaron Russell has handled our maintenance, cleaning, and set-ups for almost one year now, bringing the JCC facility back to its original, shiny self with enormous pride and success. And our newest family member, Jake Balser, brings youth and enthusiasm to the front desk. Always ready with a smile, Jake has proven himself capable and willing to learn while supporting every member of the staff.

I am so fortunate to lead this professional, caring and fun group. We work together to support each other, knowing that we are all a reflection on the rest of the team. Sure, there are tough days around the office. But this group handles those challenges with grace, and there's no team I'd rather be part of. I appreciate each and every one of them. Along with our tremendous volunteers, they make this a great place to be each and every day. Thank you.

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The Power of One

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I have always believed in the power of one. Not the kind of power that requires a superhero ring or other magical or mystical props. I believe that each one of us has the ability to contribute significantly to the community. It is that contribution, together with every single

other contribution, that creates power.

The contribution doesn't have to be large. In April, we learned from Linda Hooper, former principal of Whitwell Middle School and the original power behind the Children's Holocaust Memorial, that an item as small as a paper clip can create community change. On Good Deeds Day we learned that a random act of kindness can actually empower people to do something kind for others.

During Good Deeds Day, we saw many parts of the Jewish community come together for a meal. I bet you thought that the meal was just "food." But no, the food was the Federation's good deed, which encouraged socializing, which in turn strengthened the community net, which in turn built community power.

In May, the power of one comes into focus through the summer exhibit. Karen Diamond has put together a remarkable history of some of Chattanooga's Jewish neighborhoods. So powerful is the exhibit that the Federation asked Karen if we could print the exhibit text accompanying "Chattanooga's Jewish Neighborhoods" as a booklet. But be advised, the power of one does not mean you have to stand alone. Karen recruited many people in the community to assist in her research.

The 11th Annual Jewish Film Series continues screening amazing films every Wednesday in May and one Sunday. Themes include the struggle of individuals to create themselves within a community, and learning the importance of bringing hope to others. At the lead is Sanford Winer, but as with Karen Diamond, Sanford engaged his committee in the research, selection, and marketing of the series. That contribution to community also strengthens the net of the community, creating power.

I am always amazed at the effect one person can have on a community. As many of us found out in April, Chen Dahan, our shlichah and cultural emissary, used her mighty force to engage the community in Yom Hazikaron, The Israel Festival, Good Deeds Day, and so much more. Again, in coming together for the community, we create power.

When did you last use your singular power to strengthen our community? Need a bit of assistance in finding a place to start? Whether helping at events, working with Philanthropy Camp, digitizing articles for

the Chattanooga Jewish Archives, or reading books to pre-school students, the Federation has many opportunities for you to use your power of one for many.

Left and below, the power of one, together at Good Deeds Day



Your R.S.V.P. assures you a seat, a meal, and allows us to meet your special dietary needs.

There are three easy ways to RSVP:

1. On the WEBSITE at <http://www.jewishchattanooga.com>.
2. Via EMAIL at rsvp@Jewishchattanooga.com
3. Via the old fashioned TELEPHONE, at 493-0270 ext. 10.

No Meat? No Problem!

If you prefer a vegetarian meal at one of our events simply RSVP to the Federation AT LEAST three work days prior to the event. **We are happy to accommodate you but must have advance notice.**



Tuesday Cafe

Tuesdays at noon, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29. Menus will be listed in the community email. \$10. RSVP.

11th Annual Jewish Film Series

Wednesday, May 2 @ 7:15pm. *In Between*. See page 8 for film description. \$8 gets you screening, popcorn and a beverage.

11th Annual Jewish Film Series

Sunday, May 6 @ 3:00pm. *Maktub*. See page 8 for film description. \$8 gets you screening, popcorn and a beverage.

Life and Legacy Celebration

Wednesday, May 9 @ 5pm. You must be a Federation, B'nai Zion, or Mizpah Life and Legacy member.

11th Annual Jewish Film Series

Wednesday, May 9 @ 7:15pm. *The Last Suit*. See page 8 for film description. \$8 gets you screening, popcorn and a beverage.

Summer Exhibit at the JCC begins

Thursday, May 10. On view during office hours.

Foreign Policy Supper Club

Monday, May 14 @ 6pm. "Media and Foreign Policy." See page 5 for details. \$12 per person. RSVP.

11th Annual Jewish Film Series

Wednesday, May 16 @ 7:15pm. *A Quiet Heart*. See page 8 for film description. \$8 gets you screening, popcorn and a beverage.

"For You Were a Stranger in Egypt"

Thursday, May 17 @ 7pm. See front page.

Memory Screening

Friday, May 18. Call (423) 339-3996 for information and appointment.

11th Annual Jewish Film Series

Wednesday, May 23 @ 7:15pm. *Shelter*. See page 8 for film description. \$8 gets you screening, popcorn and a beverage.

Aleph Bet Graduation and End of Year Program

Thursday, May 24 @ 4pm

11th Annual Jewish Film Series

Sunday, May 30 @ 3:00pm. *Maktub*. See page 8 for film description. \$8 gets you screening, popcorn and a beverage.

Who Do You Know?

Each month we hope to feature a photograph from the Jewish Archives of Chattanooga and solicit your help in identifying the people. Do you know the person (far right) in this photograph? If so, please contact Max Brener at 9westover@gmail.com.



A special identify-the-photo day was held at Mizpah Congregation on January 30. Didn't make it but still want to help? Call Ann Treadwell at 493-0270 ext. 13 and she'll tell you how you can be a part of this important community activity that will benefit generations to come.

FEDERATION NEWS



Good Deeds Day, April 15



PHILANTHROPY CAMP 2018--10th Anniversary

Rising grades 10,11,12, and college freshman to 18 yrs old

Camp Date: July 23-27

8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. daily

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Seeking Teen Volunteers to be counselors

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Friday (July 20) 10-2pm

Meals included

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For rising 1-6th graders (PC)

July 23 – July 27, 2018

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily

Applications on website at

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More information: Ann Treadwell

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Now is the time to be thinking about summer camp at the Federation! Go to our website for more information and camp applications!
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FEDERATION NEWS

Community Mission Trip to Israel in 2019



We heard you! As a result of your feedback at the April meeting, **we are changing the dates of the Federation community mission trip from December, 2018 to May, 2019.**

When: May 8-20, 2019
Cost \$3,500 per person, land only, double occupancy. Federation subsidies will be available. (This number is an estimate; final cost TBD in coming weeks.)

Contact Michael Dzik at 493-0270 ext. 15 for more information about this special trip.

Join the Jewish Federation Legacy Society

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. Join today.

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| Anonymous (2) | Dropkin, Warren | Lowe, Beth |
| Allen, Amelia (Deceased) | Dzik, Michael | Lowe, Rob |
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| Alper, Maxine (Deceased) | Fairchild, David | Nash, Ike (Deceased) |
| Balsler, Jeff | Frank, Estelle (Deceased) | Oxenhander, Barbara |
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| Berz, Bob | Hanan, Michael | Parker, Rebecca |
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| Black, Stephen | Hill, J.R. | Richelson, Alan |
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| Bogo, Rosalee | Hochman, Lynn | Rosenfeld, Roy |
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| Brooks, John | Hodes, Melody | Spector, Linda |
| Brouner, Betsy | Howard, Lynn | Spector, Mark (Deceased) |
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| Cohn, Herb | Lebovitz, Alison | White Dropkin, Donna |
| Cohn, Sue (Deceased) | Lebovitz, Alan | Winer, David |
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Heart Remembers Art Project



Heart Remembers Art Project for Israel 70th Independence and Memorial Days. Kids from Chattanooga Jewish Community created 70 hearts that were placed along with other communities around the work in Yitzhak Rabin Center in Tel Aviv. A total of 23,545 hearts were made from around the world to remember each of the fallen IDF soldiers. Thank you to Austin Center, who coordinated the memorial locally, and Machanoga students who made the hearts.



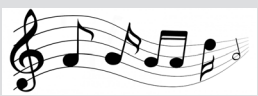
Foreign Policy Supper Club.
"Media and Foreign Policy."

May 14, 6 p.m. \$12
 RSVP@jewishchattanooga.com

State and non-state actors today must maneuver a complex and rapidly evolving media landscape. Conventional journalism now competes with user-generated content. Official channels of communication can be circumvented through social media. Foreign policy is tweeted from the White House and "fake news" has entered the zeitgeist. Cyberwarfare, hacking and misinformation pose complex security threats. How are actors using media to pursue and defend their interests in the international arena? What are the implications for U.S. policy?

**See how easy it is to join
 the Legacy Society!**
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Stay "TUNED"



The Scenic City Choral will be doing a program of patriotic and Broadway tunes Sunday, June 10 at 3pm at the JCC.

More to come.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Condolences

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

- John Lewis
- Barbara Nadel, mother/mother-in-law of Paula (David) Israel, and mother of Michael Nadel, on March 26th.
- Harold Shavin, husband of Yuppie (Josephine)Shavin, father/father-in-law of Rita (Bob) Brook, Alan (Lisa Tarsitano) Shavin, and Gayle (Allen) Shavin-Taliaferro.

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

Tributes

In Memory of

*Barbara Nadel, Helen Pregulman
Morris Friedmann, Clemence Weil Lang, and Sara Lang, Ellen Peach*

Win an Israeli dinner at the home of your shlich, Chen Dahan!

Participate in #IsraelTrivia every Friday @ noon on the weekly e-mail/my Facebook page!



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THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2018

6:00 PM DINNER • 7:00 PM PROGRAM

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2018 Speaker Steven Beckerman has worked at AIPAC since 2004 and currently serves as Deputy Director of Policy and Government Affairs overseeing AIPAC's team of Middle East policy analysts. He is one of Washington's leading experts on U.S. sanctions on Iran.

By the Numbers

98

Number of community members who voted in Rising Star Chattanooga competition

STAY IN THE LOOP! Our NEW And IMPROVED website is <http://www.jewishchattanooga.com>. Our Facebook page is Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga (JFGC)

MEMORY SCREENING DAY

at the Jewish Cultural Center



Please call ahead of time to schedule your appointment.

(423) 339-3996

Due to high response rate, additional days will be made available as needed.

Friday, May 18

with Dr. Catanese

Memory screenings are important for the early detection of problems.

ALEPH BET IS HIRING!
For more information, click the "jobs" tab at aleph-bet.com, or contact Meghan Graybeal: 423.893.5486 alephbet@jewishchattanooga.com

How Will You Assure Their Future, Rain or Shine?



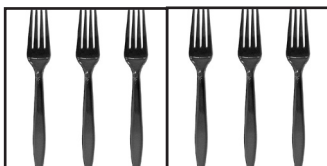
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Assuring JEWISH TOMORROWS

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Jewish Federation
OF GREATER CHATTANOOGA

Mitzvah Meals Suggested Donations

- \$8 per meal
- \$90 per month based on 3 meals/week
- \$125 per month based on 4 meals/week
- 160 per month based on 5 meals/week
- 190 per month based on 6 meals/week



Meals are available for pick-up or delivery.

To-go orders from any/all community programs will be charged the program fee (\$10-\$12) as opposed to the Mitzvah Meal fee. All Mitzvah Meal recipients must be pre-approved by the Director of Social Services. Menus are set by the Kitchen Supervisor and Director of Social Services.

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JEWISH FILM SERIES

Jewish Film Series Continues Through May

For full descriptions, see your April *Shofar* (<http://www.jewishchattanooga.com/shofar>)



IN BETWEEN (Wednesday, May 2, 7:15 P.M.)

Three Palestinian women sharing an apartment in the heart of Tel Aviv find themselves doing the same balancing act between tradition and modernity, citizenship and culture, fealty and freedom. *Hebrew and Arabic with English subtitles. 1 hour 43 minutes*

MAKTUB (Sunday, May 6 and 3 P.M. and Wednesday, May 30 at 7:15 P.M.)

In the heart of the old city in Jerusalem lies the Wailing Wall, the holiest Jewish religious site. According to an old Jewish tradition, anyone who writes his secret wish on a piece of paper and nestles it between the stones will see his wish come true. Perhaps all you really need is a little help from certain guardian angels. Although politically incorrect, Maktub is a warm hearted, but dark, very funny comedy. *Hebrew with English subtitles, 1 hour 40 minutes*

THE LAST SUIT (Wednesday, May 9, 7:15 P.M.)

At 88, Abraham Bursztein is seeing his place in the world rapidly disappear. His children have sold his Buenos Aires residence, set him up to move to a retirement home, and disagree on how to handle his fading health. But Abraham survived the Holocaust, made a successful life in a foreign land, and isn't about to quietly fade away. Instead, he plots a secret one-way trip to Poland, where he plans to find the Christian friend who saved him from certain death at the end of World War II. *Spanish, German Yiddish, and Polish with English subtitles, 1 hour 26 minutes*

A QUIET HEART (Wednesday, May 16, 7:15 P.M.)

In present day Jerusalem, Naomi, a secular young woman, seeks refuge from the pressure of her life as a concert pianist. Faced with escalating isolation and violence Naomi must learn to use music as a bridge to overcome towering religious barriers. The movie is a tense, slow turn drama about the evils of intolerance that build into a gripping suspense thriller. *Hebrew, English and Italian with English subtitles, 1 hour 32 minutes*

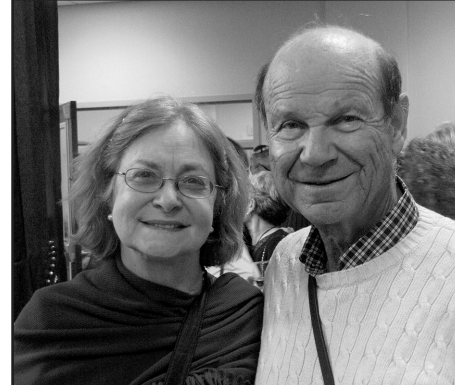
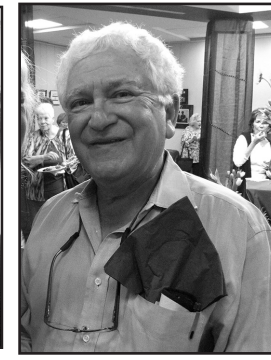
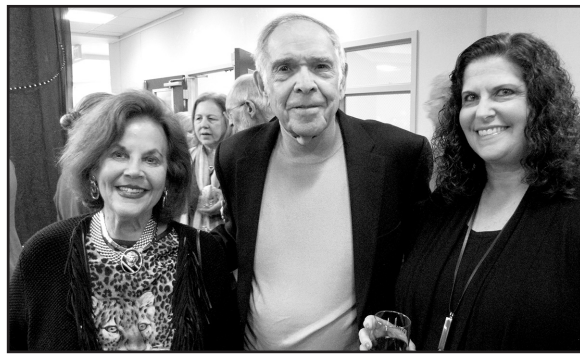
SHELTER (Wednesday, May 23 7:15 P.M.)

Naomi, an Israeli Mossad agent is sent to Germany to protect Mona, a Lebanese informant recovering from plastic surgery to assume her new identity. Together for two weeks in a quiet apartment in Hamburg, the relationship that develops between the two women is soon exposed to the threat of terror that is engulfing the world. *English, Hebrew and Arabic with English subtitles, 1 hour 33 minutes*

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SHLICHIM PROGRAM



Thank You, Israeli Style

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Dear Chattanooga,

What a great Israel month we had! After this April I feel even luckier to be a part of this amazing community. The month started with my dear parents' visit during Passover. The community accepted them with such warmth and love! We attended two amazing Seders, at the Lowe's and at

the Boulware's homes.

On the same day my parents left for New York, my best friends, Shaked and Noi, flew all the way from Israel to visit Chattanooga. We were lucky to have a few days of sunshine, and we even went swimming.

Then the "National Days" season began. It started with Yom HaShoah, when we had the chance to listen to an incredible woman, Linda Hooper, who spearheaded the Paper Clips project in Whitwell, Tennessee. I was so moved to see so many people here in Chattanooga marking Yom HaShoah on the same day it is marked in Israel.

A few days later we had the chance to participate as a community in a worldwide project that was initiated in Israel 12 years ago: Good Deeds Day. Even though it was pouring rain, we had over 100 volunteers in several locations all over Chattanooga. We did good at Orange Grove, the Chattanooga zoo, Welcome Home Hospice, and the Humane Educational Society. Our Jew Crew youth went out to the community and gave flowers to people as random acts of kindness. Many others, kids and adults, stayed at the JCC and made get well cards for Hadassah Hospital--happiness rocks and thank-you cards for first responders, with the help of the talented Fran Dzik and Jackie Rosenfeld.

The same week, Israel marked Yom HaZikaron, Memorial Day for Israel's fallen soldiers and victims of terror. It was not easy for me to be away from home on this day, but I was also honored to mark it here in Chattanooga with our community. Six members of our community that served in the IDF lit 36 candles in memory of 36 soldiers we "adopted" as part of the project "Yizkareim". We also had the opportunity to hear the special story of former Chattanoogaan Jesse Charyn, who served in the IDF as a lone soldier.

The highest peak of the national days was Israel's 70th birthday celebration! We celebrated with Israel Festival, a youth march, and a Rising Star singing competition. I was amazed to see so many people here at the JCC who care deeply about Israel and see it as their own! Eight talented community

singers shared their talent with us, sharing Hebrew/Israeli/Jewish songs. Rachael Goldman-Gorbittas was the judges' choice winner of Rising Star Chattanooga 2018, with Jessica Kodsi voted audience favorite.

I want to personally thank each person who made this 70th birthday the best it could be:

--Mayor Andy Berke

--The Rising Star Judges: Bob Bernhardt & Jonathan Susman

--Our wonderful host: Jed Mescon

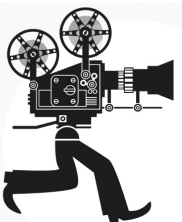
--The singers and musicians: Chattabeats, Harv Wileman, Barbara Oxenhandler, Jessica Kodsi, Christine Hassevoort, Rachael Goldman-Gorbitt, Richard Zachary, Jack and Jason DuRoy, Josué Loyola-Roncal, Ed Bergin and Beth Llewellyn Nichols.

--The wonderful volunteers and Israel committee: Sanford Winer, Warren Dropkin, Kevin Rose, Merav and Tom Balazs, Eytan Oren, Lily Rae, Jonah Hodes, Randi Weiss, Ronni Charyn, Vicki Lewis, Becca Hanan, Roy Rosenfeld, Eleanor Epstein, Amanda Boulware, Caitlin Gardner and Scott & Olga Drucker.

--Last but not least, the Federation staff: Michael Dzik, Ann Treadwell, Alice Goss-Morgan & the kitchen staff, Jake Balsler, Meghan Graybeal, Dana Shavin, and Annette McJunkin. A special thank-you to the Drucker family and Dream Gardens for their beautiful Israel-themed flower arrangement for the Israel Festival.



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Yom HaShoah, April 11



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Yom Hazikaron, April 17



Speaker Jesse Charyn, son of Chaim
and Ronni Charyn



Lighting of the memorial candles by former IDF soldiers

Israel Independence Day Celebration, April 22



Rising Star Chattanooga judges and contestants;
Federation shlichah Chen Dahan front right



Chen Dahan with winner
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Jessica Kodsi,
audience favorite



Posing for green screen



Community kids' intro song



Hadassah members Judy
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