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JCBA to Honor Marcia, Rochelle Stone *Tribute Event will be on Thursday, June 15*

Raised in Akron, Marcia Stone has dedicated her life to both teaching its children and to its Jewish community. She grew up as a member of Beth El and involved in the Shaw JCC (then the Akron Jewish Center). Marcia attended Kent State University earning a bachelor's and a master's degree in education. She was on her way to earning a Ph.D. when a friend's husband introduced her to a guy he knew through the Buckeyes Club at the JCC— Don Stone. That was 57 years ago.



Marcia Stone

Don and Marcia married and had two children, Pam and Jim. They now have four grandchildren as well. Right after Marcia and Don married, Marcia

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Rochelle Stone

Rochelle Stone was raised to be a volunteer leader. The lifetime Akronite began volunteering at the age of three, helping her mother count tax stamps for local non-profits. She also set tables for Hadassah events when she was young.

That early volunteering influenced Rochelle as an adult. She was the first female president of Beth El Congregation. In 1973, when Conservative congregations could count women in a minyan, Beth El began discussing women's role in the congregation. They decided to make Rochelle a junior officer. She had two conditions before accepting: one she had to be on track to become president, and two, when she

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June 7 at 7 p.m.



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JFS FRIENDS DRIVE

Pave Way for Dignity, Security, Hope

JFS client Carlos* came to Birthday Club expecting just a piece of cake. JFS holds a "Birthday Club" gathering each month in the subsidized housing that it serves.

Instead, he was so touched that with tears welled up in his eyes as he said, "No one has sang to me for my birthday with a lit candle on a cake since I was a child! Thank you so much for making this day memorable for me!"

"After a community education event, David* visited me during open office hours, where I am available to talk to residents," a JFS counselor shared. "He

explained that his wife was interested in counseling, so I explained what Jewish Family Service can provide and offered to meet with her that day if possible. Ten minutes later his wife came down to my office!

"She said she has been struggling with depression for over a year following a back surgery; she now has ongoing chronic pain. The pain and depression is so severe that she constantly thinks of suicide. I immediately asked her to go to St. Thomas Hospital for psychiatric care. I also provided facts on depression and some good ways of treating it. She now receives

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An Update from
the program in
Kiryat Ekron

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Marcia *from page one*

taught at Case Elementary in Akron, when it first opened. When her children were born, she worked as a substitute teacher and eventually as a teacher of children with emotional and social challenges or disabilities. After Marcia spent fourteen years of teaching children with special needs, the Stones retired and began living part time in Florida.

Marcia's dedication to the Akron Jewish community is undeniable. She was a Beth El Board member, president of Na'Amat (Pioneer Women) for four years, and a life member of Hadassah and B'nai Brith Women. Marcia is also extremely generous to the Jewish and greater Akron community. As a Lion of Judah, she endowed her Lion in both Akron and Florida. When asked why she endowed her Lion of Judah, Marcia replied, "The money will help me make a difference even after I am gone." Marcia and Don also established the Robert T. Stone MD Respiratory Center at Akron Children's Hospital.

After many years of maintaining two homes, Marcia and Don decided to become full-time Florida residents. While Marcia and Don will no longer live in Akron, their presence is still as strong as ever.

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became president, women had to have equal religious rights. The board agreed to both requests. Because of her role as Beth El's first female president, Rochelle considers herself a pioneer and her legacy to be equality for all congregants.

Rochelle was not only president of Beth El but also of the local chapter of Hadassah, Jewish Family Service (following her husband Bob), the Women's Board of Children's Hospital, and Mobile Meals (of which she was a founding member). She was also on the board of Jewish Community Board of Akron, The Lippman School, Interfaith Caregivers as a founding member, and the Akron Interfaith Council.

Not only did Rochelle make time to be a leader in the community, she and her husband Bob raised three children: Cindy (John), Randy (Larry), Jeff (Amy). They have two grandchildren, Daniel and Scout.

Rochelle and Bob Stone truly care about the community. They have established a fund at JCBA, The Robert and Rochelle PACE Fund, to benefit the Annual Campaign and other local charities. When it comes to leading, Rochelle continues to be a pioneer.

*A Tribute to***MARCIA & ROCHELLE
STONE****WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15
AT 5:30 PM**

Wine and hors d'oeuvres reception

SCHULTZ CAMPUS
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750 White Pond Drive, Akron

RSVP by June 5 to (330) 835-0005 or
at www.jewishakron.org/stones.**Help Honor Marcia & Rochelle!**

- \$20 per person for reception
- \$18 - greeting in tribute book
- \$75 - half-page ad in tribute book
- \$150- full-page ad in tribute book

Jewish Community
BOARD OF AKRON**Annual Joint Meeting
& Installation of Officers****WEDNESDAY
JUNE 7 AT 7 P.M.**Schultz Campus for Jewish Life
750 White Pond Drive, AkronNo charge and no solicitation.
Dessert & coffee.R.S.V.P. to 330-869-2424 or
online at jewishakron.org/annual_meetingJewish Community
BOARD OF AKRON**JFS Friends** *from page one*

better medical care as well as medications and counseling. This woman also knows that I am available during open office hours should she need additional support. The couple is very appreciative about the consistent services they receive in their building."

These are just two examples that show the impact Jewish Family Service makes in the lives of senior adults. JFS provides services to hundreds of seniors and their adult children who care for them. No one is turned away from JFS due to income; all fees are on a sliding scale. But client contributions comprise less than 2% of JFS's donations. The rest of the money we need to serve senior adults comes from people like you.

It is your valued "friendship" with JFS that continues to fund needed services to improve the lives of older adults. Your tax-deductible contribution is a critical part of JFS's services. Please use the envelope enclosed in this issue of AJN and make your contribution by mail. Please feel free to call 330-867-3388 if you have any questions.

** Names changed to protect privacy of clients.*

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Upcoming Events

May 4

Charity, Cocktails and Comedy!

6:00PM - 10:00PM
The Tangier
532 W Market Street

The Volunteer Guardian Program, a collaboration of Jewish Family Service, will hold its first fundraiser.

May 14

Mother's Day Brunch

10:00AM - 12:00PM
Temple Israel

Annual Mother's Day Brunch

May 16

Be'Tay Avon Café

11:30AM - 1:00PM
Shaw JCC

Visit Israel with Shay! Through visuals and stories, we will visit the holy land. Come and eat an Israeli meal while Shay shares with us a multi-media presentation discovering the Northern, Central and Southern regions of Israel.

May 17

Short and Long Term Memory Fitness

9:30AM - 11:00AM
Shaw JCC

With partner Menorah Park of Summit County, we will flex our memory muscle by learning new techniques for ways to enhance our short and long-term memory.

May 18

Art Reception for City of Akron Holocaust Art Contest

5:00PM - 7:00PM
Shaw JCC

An art reception in the front lobby of the Shaw JCC honoring the winning selections.

May 19

Jewish and Public Affairs Forum: Dr. Matthew Wilson

6:15PM - 10:00PM
Beth El Congregation

University of Akron President Dr. Matthew Wilson will speak.

May 21

Mitzvah Day

9:00AM - 5:00PM
Temple Israel

Mitzvah Day in the community.

May 22

Shlichim Program: Jerusalem Day with Dr. Yitzhak Brook

7:00PM - 8:30PM
Schultz Campus for Jewish Life

Dr. Brook will share his own experiences as a medic in the Six Day War.

May 31

Shavuot at Anshe Sfard

5:00PM - 7:30PM
Anshe Sfard

Shavuot services, dairy dinner, ice cream social, kids' activities.



**Outdoor Pool
Opens Saturday,
May 27!**

Save the Date

The 15th Annual
**SHAW JCC
Sports Dinner**

Thursday, June 8, 2017 | 5:30 pm
Canal Park, Home of the Akron RubberDucks
300 S Main St, Akron, Ohio

www.shawjcc.org/Dolan

With
Paul Dolan
Owner/Chairman/Chief Executive Officer
of the Cleveland Indians

CAMPAIGN IMPACT

Keeping it Kosher

A kosher campus is part of what makes the Schultz Campus for Jewish Life and Shaw JCC special. That, of course, entails a kosher kitchen.

For the uninitiated, that means there are two separate sides—one for dairy meal preparation and one for meat meal preparation, with separate sets of dishes, pots, and utensils.



Anita Langston and Efrat Ohayon toil in the Shaw JCC kitchen, preparing kosher meals for the Schultz Campus.

For the past four years, Efrat Ohayon has run the Shaw JCC's kitchen, overseeing and cooking the 45,000+ kosher meals prepared there each year. A large portion of the meals feed children in The Lippman School and the Mandel Early Childhood Education Center at the Shaw JCC.

"Now, we're cooking for over 200 kids every day," Ohayon says. In summer, the kitchen serves children in childcare and summer camp.

The kitchen is also charged with providing all breakfast or lunch meetings on campus. This includes things like the monthly Be'Tay Avon Café, board or committee meetings that include meals, and an outside group renting a room for a breakfast meeting. Staff on the Schultz Campus can also pre-order lunch for a nominal cost.

At Pesach, the kitchen helps keep the campus kosher for Passover by providing lunches for all staff. Koshering the kitchen for Passover means clearing out the hametz (products containing fermented grains) and using Passover-only dishes and cookware.

While Ohayon works with a supplier that delivers food, she can't obtain everything she needs from it. So she's perpetually shopping to find everything she needs for her menus. She also makes sure that freshly baked challah is available each Friday; anyone can purchase a loaf at the Shaw JCC front desk for \$5.

"We're never bored here!" she says, referring as well to her assistant Anita Langston, who has worked there for three years.

"I found Anita in the parking lot," Ohayon laughs. At a campus gala a few years ago, Langston was on the wait staff. When the evening was through, Ohayon stopped her in the parking lot and asked if she might be interested in working at the JCC kitchen.

Another responsibility for the Shaw JCC kitchen is preparing kosher meals for homebound individuals through Mobile Meals.

"Every day we receive a list of people needing meals for the day from Mobile Meals," Ohayon explains. "Typically, it is about five or six people. We provide a fresh, full meal—hot dishes as well as fruit sides, breads and desserts."

"We really try to work with the people [who receive meals]," she says. "Because we have such a small group of people." Community member Rochelle Stone coordinates volunteers, so each day someone picks up and delivers the meals.

In addition to the full-time work of the campus kitchen, Ohayon manages Efrat's Café, which caters various events for all three synagogues, b'nai mitzvot, and on campus. Efrat's Café also manages the pool snack bar.

A portion of the money raised from your JCBA Annual Campaign contribution helps support a kosher kitchen on the Schultz Campus for Jewish Life.

Aharai! Leads Change in Kiryat Ekron, Israel

SHAY GOLDENBERG
ISRAELI SHALIACH

On March 14, Aharai! staff Yair Sherf and Aviad Shtrauch visited the Shaw JCC to share about the Aharai! program in Kiryat Ekron. Last year, our community helped raise funds to support the program. Here's what we learned about Aharai! in Kiryat Ekron, Akron's sister city, and across Israel.

Aharai! is an organization that develops leadership skills and promotes social involvement among youth from the projects, development towns, absorption centers, boarding schools and shelters. The organization provides the teens a sense of achievement and capability, encouraging them to fit in as contributing citizens in Israel.



Aharai! staff Yair Sherf and Aviad Shtrauch with shaliach Shay, during their visit to snowy Akron.

Currently, Aharai! boasts 7,500 youth members and offers them numerous programs, including: IDF preparation, matriculation learning centers, empowerment courses for Israeli Ethiopians and other new immigrants, military academy and more. Aharai! has more than 45,000 alumni. 11,000 of them have continued to be active in the Aharai! alumni organization.

Yair and Aviad explained how important the work that Aharai! is doing for Kiryat Ekron teens and the change that Aharai! is leading in Israeli society. They shared with us a few stories from the teams' activities over the last year in Kiryat Ekron. One of the team members said: "In Aharai!, I feel equal to everyone; I am like everyone else. I feel safe. I feel they are there for me and will look after me. They

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The Aharai! IDF team training in the desert in Southern Israel during Chanukah

Five Inductees Chosen for 2017 Class, Akron Jewish Sports Hall of Fame

The Akron Jewish Sports Hall of Fame screening committee is pleased to announce these five outstanding individuals will be inducted into the 2017 Class of the Hall of Fame: Jeannine and Steve Marks, Akron Marathon; Jason Shapiro, tennis/soccer; Scott Weiner, football/baseball; Allan Woll, football/track; and Lee Kahn, football (posthumously).

“Congratulations to our inductees,” says Tammy Gersman, screening committee chair.

“We received a tremendous response as a dozen nominees were considered,” she says. “Thank you to everyone who nominated. Applications not selected this time will be considered for the Class of 2019.”

Inductees will be honored at the Jewish Community Board of Akron Annual Meeting, June 7, starting at 7 p.m. For all of Akron’s Jewish agencies, the event is free and open to the public and will be held at the Schultz Campus for Jewish Life, 750 White Pond Drive in Akron.

Passover Story Walk with the Mandel Early Childhood Education Center



Dressed up as Pharaoh and Moses respectively, Shaw JCC Executive Director Michael Neumann and Program/Children/Youth/Camp Director Scott Zorn, along with Granny Group and The Lippman School students, created a Passover Story Walk for Mandel ECE children to enjoy. The children walked through the lobby to see several scenes represented and acted out to tell the story of Passover. Once they completed the walk, students walked through the parted sea into the auditorium for a Passover Picnic. This was a fun-filled morning of learning, singing and fellowship together as a school community.

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listen to me. They reprimand me when I have it coming. They believe in me and my abilities and give us all hope. This matters – when someone believe in you and your dreams.”

This year, Aharai! Started the Aharai in the Field program in Kiryat Ekron, which develops field skills among the 15-16 year-old teens. That team ended up winning first place in a regional competition during Tu Bishvat. This was the second year the Aharai! IDF program operated in Kiryat Ekron, for 17-18 year-olds. In the photoat right, Yigal (in front) takes a selfie with his friends. At first, he was very shy and didn't show up

for all the training at first. After motivating conversations with the team counselor and journeys they had together, Yigal started to blossom and became one of the team's best pupils. Now he's thinking about going to Mechina, a gap year before IDF service in wich he can learn leadership skills and expand his horizons. This is a great achievement for him personally.

The collaboration we've created between Jewish Community Board of Akron and Aharai! in Kiryat Ekron is so important. Thanks to our community's generosity, this year Aharai! Opened up two teams for Kiryat Ekron teens and expanded the impact the organization has on the lives of teens in need in Kiryat Ekron.



J Senior Adult Programs at the Shaw JCC

Lunch Bunch

2nd Tuesdays 11:30 a.m.

Once a month join us as we eat at different locally owned, Akron-area restaurants. RSVP to Rachel at least one day in advance.*

May 9 Primo's Deli
1707 Vernon Odom Blvd.

Be'Tay Avon Café

3rd Tuesdays 11:30 a.m.

Join the fun, fellowship and conversation at the once-a-month Old-Style Jewish Deli. Who knows – you might just learn something! Light lunch served. Pay as you are able, but \$5 donation is encouraged. Please RSVP to Rachel.*

May 16 Visit Israel with Shay!

Through visuals and stories, we will visit the holy land. Come and eat an Israeli meal while Shay shares with us a multi-media presentation discovering the Northern, Central and Southern regions of Israel.

Movie at the J

3rd Wednesdays 12:30 p.m.

Enjoy a classic or current, first-run movie in the quiet of the Shaw JCC, plus free popcorn! Closed captions provided. Free & Open to community

May 17 Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid

Legendary outlaws Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid display their gifts for perfect comedic timing as they pull off heist after heist. Starring Paul Newman, Robert Redford, Katharine Ross and Cloris Leachman

Restaurant Review

4th Thursdays 5:30 p.m.

It's dinner time! Enjoy food and conversation. RSVP to Rachel at least one day in advance*

May 25 Piscezzi's/The Merchant Tavern
1824 Merriman Road

Bridge

Mondays 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

No matter what level of play, join us for Bridge. No instruction is provided. Open to all. No RSVP needed - \$1 donation suggested.

Retired Men's Group

2nd & 4th Tuesdays 9:30–11:30 a.m.

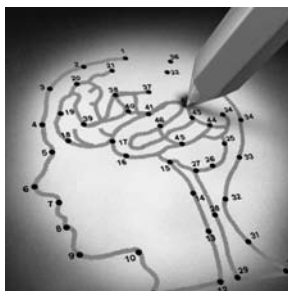
Join the Men's Group for open discussion on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Open to all. No RSVP needed - \$1 donation suggested

Mah Jongg

Thursdays 1–4 p.m.

Whether you know how to play, or want to learn, there will be an opportunity! Open to all. No RSVP needed. FREE!

*Please RSVP to Rachel Armin Williams at 330-835-0027 or rwilliams@jewishakron.org.



Short and Long Term Memory Fitness

Wednesday, May 17 9:30–11 a.m.

It's important to keep your mind sharp as you age. Our long-term memory is created from short term memories which are replayed and reconnected several times. Join us as we flex our memory muscle by learning new techniques for ways to enhance our short and long-term memory. **FREE.**



Art Reception for City of Akron Holocaust Art Contest

Thursday, May 18 5–7 p.m.

Please join us for an art reception honoring the winning selections from the City of Akron's Holocaust Arts & Writing Contest. The Shaw JCC will feature the winning selections on display, May 18–22. Wine and cheese will be available. **FREE.**



9-5: The Musical

Sunday, June 18 Porthouse Theatre at Blossom

Based off the 1980's hit movie, three unlikely friends take control of their office and learn there is nothing they can't do, even in a man's world! Music and lyrics by Dolly Parton. The show is FREE at the Porthouse Theatre at Blossom. The cost will cover transportation and snacks! We have 14 tickets, so it is first come, first serve. Show time: 2 p.m. Bus leaves the Shaw JCC at 1 p.m. and will return around 5 p.m. RSVP and PAYMENT must be made no later than June 1! **Cost: \$12 M/\$18 G**

The Music Man

Friday, June 30 Frelander Theatre, Ohio Light Opera

With his fast-talking style, "Professor" Harold Hill convinces the parents of River City to buy instruments and uniforms for their youngsters in order to save them, but chaos ensues as Hill's credentials are questioned and he is called upon to prove himself. The bus will leave at 10:30 a.m., and we will have lunch in Wooster at 11:30 a.m. at TJ's Melvin's. We should be back at the Shaw JCC around 5:30 p.m. We have 20 tickets on reserve. RSVP and PAYMENT must be made no later than May 16. **Cost: \$64 M/\$75 G. This cost does not include lunch.**

Ask JFS Checking In with Seniors

Dear JFS,

I am a 95-year old Jewish woman whose husband died 10 years ago. My children have their share of problems, and I don't want to bother them. My friends are either dead or in nursing homes. I no longer drive and can't visit them. I have no means of getting to services, which I enjoy and gives me peace. I don't feel good some days and I am tired and lonely everyday! Can you help me?

Tired of being sick and tired

Dear Tired,

I cannot begin to understand how tired you must feel. Reflecting on your life, grieving, and not wanting to burden your family is very difficult. Just know that grief is a normal part of life and you need support. Jewish Family Service is in the process of starting a new program— SHALOM PHONE. It is a program in which a volunteer calls a senior like you every day just to see how they are doing; it's a quick "check in call." It is a simple connection that you and all human beings need— just a friendly hello to start or end your day.

We also have a counselor available that can come right to your home to discuss your concerns and offer solutions to help you feel better about your life. That counselor may help you connect to your children to put a plan in place to make sure you attend services when you want or just to visit you to keep you connected with family.



JFS can be there to provide support and improve your life. Just give us a call at 330-867-3388 and let us help you!



Volunteers Needed for SHALOM PHONE!

JFS is seeking volunteers for SHALOM PHONE! Your task is simple; you call an ill or shut-in senior adult once a day just to make sure they are ok. The phone call can be as short or as long as you and the senior wish. You can truly have an impact on the life of a senior. If interested, please call JFS at 330-867-3388 to sign up!

If there are senior adults that would like to participate in SHALOM PHONE, please call us at 330-867-3388. We want to help you!

Shaw JCC Partners with SilverSneakers® Senior Programming Expands

Starting May 15, older adults can take advantage of SilverSneakers®, the nation's leading exercise, health, and wellness program, at the Shaw JCC. Individuals age 65+ who are Medicare-eligible may qualify for SilverSneakers® and receive a basic senior adult membership to the JCC at no additional cost.



SilverSneakers® members will have access to the Shaw JCC's fitness center, including cardio and weight equipment, indoor and outdoor pools, group exercise classes including water fitness, racquetball and tennis courts and full gymnasium.

"The program not only offers physical activity but also health education and social events," says Michael Neumann, Shaw JCC executive director. "What sets the Shaw JCC apart from other fitness centers is that we are truly a community center, and we offer many extras that you won't find elsewhere."

The Shaw JCC offers a full menu of personal training and massage therapy services at a reduced cost for its members. A variety of free health education workshops are offered throughout the year to help older adults with memory and concentration, blood pressure checks and more. SilverSneakers® members are invited to enjoy senior adult and Jewish programming to include theater going, dining out, playing cards and watching movies.

The community is invited to learn more during an Open House, Friday, May 12, noon-1 p.m. Visitors may tour the facilities including indoor and outdoor pools, fitness center, whirlpool, sauna, steam room, and join the SilverSneakers® program.

"There is no better time to join the JCC. The outdoor pool opens Saturday, May 27, which adds a whole other level of value to your membership," says Neumann.

Current members who may qualify for the program are invited to a SilverSneakers® Orientation, Monday, May 8, 11 a.m.-noon.

There are more than 13 million people eligible for the SilverSneakers® benefit through the nation's leading Medicare Advantage health plans, Medicare Supplement carriers and group retiree plans. For those members, the benefit is offered at no additional cost. To check eligibility, go to www.silversneakers.com.

For more information or to find out if you or a family member qualifies, contact Jaelyne Sesock, Membership Sales Director, at 330-835-0049 or email jsesock@shawjcc.org.



Add a Leaf to the Simcha Tree

Celebrate the birth of a baby, baby naming, special birthday, wedding, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, confirmation, graduation or special anniversary or memorialize your loved ones— with a leaf on the Simcha Tree. When you purchase an engraved plaque, it will be displayed on the Shaw JCC Martin and Jenne Meltzer Simcha Tree. The purchase benefits the Shaw JCC's senior adult programming.

Please call Rachel Armin Williams at 330-835-0027 or email rwilliams@jewishakron.org for more information.



from our shaliach

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The Meaning, Richness of Jerusalem

“Mountain air as clear as wine and the scent of pine... Imprisoned in her dream, is the city which dwells alone, a wall within her heart.”

SHAY GOLDENBERG
SHALIACH

These words, written by Naomi Shemer in May 1967, convey the Jewish people’s lifetime longing to return to Jerusalem, a city which has been the core of our faith and history for centuries but was unreachable for years. Fifty years ago, during the Six Day War, that longing finally turned into reality.

Many look back at the Six Day War as a turning point in Israeli history, as Jerusalem was reunified. An uplifting atmosphere, a sense of unlimited pride and strength alongside many new social and moral issues were just some outcomes of that war.

In 1968, the Israeli government assigned the 28th of Iyar as “Jerusalem Day,” making it a national holiday celebrating the reunification. Ever since, yearly parades are held in Jerusalem during that day and children are taught about the significant part the city plays in our culture and identity as Jews and Israelis. That’s why we are celebrating Jerusalem Day in our community on Monday, May 22, (not in June 7, which is the date that many of you might remember). We’ll host Dr. Yitzhak Brook, who served as medic in the Six Day War in Jerusalem and personally witnessed those historic days. Dr. Brook is professor of pediatrics at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. and the author of the book *In the Sands of Sinai: A Physician’s Account of the Yom Kippur War*.

Growing up near Tel Aviv, I didn’t visit Jerusalem many times in my life until my service in the IDF. I had a few friends who served with me in my unit that were Jerusalem natives, and they introduced me to parts of the city that I didn’t know before. For the first time in my life I saw not only the historical avenues of the city but the young, vibrant life that people were leading in it.

I continued visit Jerusalem many times in my adult life and I have many friends who live in Jerusalem or studied at Hebrew University there. My favorite spot in the city is Machne Yehuda market (Shuk Machne Yehuda), which represents the diversity and richness of Jerusalem in the best way, in my opinion. Also, it is the home of some of the greatest food dishes that you’ll ever find (If you didn’t hear me speak about a place call “ISH-TABACH” and the amazing Shamburak dish, don’t hesitate to speak with me before visiting Jerusalem). Jerusalem is a city that integrates many generations, religions, narratives and cultures, while remaining a home to all.

We can discuss history, facts and wars, but in my opinion Jerusalem’s beauty comes from deep within, rooted in its people and in every stone. Jerusalem Day has never been more meaningful to me, not only because of its 50th anniversary or its historical importance, but because today I can truly say that Jerusalem is treasured in my heart.

Please join me for Jerusalem Day at Shaw JCC on Monday, May 22, at 7 p.m. to honor Dr. Yitzhak Brook to learn from someone who was there about how Jerusalem was reunited and liberated.

“Im Eshkachech Yerushalim – Tishakach Yemini, Tidbak Leshoni Le-Chiki – Im Lo Ezkarechi, Im Lo Aale Et Yerushalaim Al Rosh Simchati”.

If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill! Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy! (Psalms, 137:5).



ABOVE: The “Jewish Music in the Response to the Kishineff Pogrom” program in April
RIGHT: Shay with children during his visit to the Omaha Jewish community in March



Exploring Jewish Past and Present in Poland

JOSHUA KOGAN
SPECIAL TO THE AJN

When I used to think of Poland, typically, the first things that came to mind were the color gray and images of the Holocaust. Throughout the years, we have learned and studied about the horrors of the Holocaust and about its importance in our lives today. However, even though the Holocaust is an outstandingly important part of Jewish history, it is not all of Jewish history; there are hundreds of years of history before it and various decades of history after it.

The last week of March, I had the remarkable opportunity to visit Poland, a trip organized by the Jewish Studies Program at Kent State University and led by Professor Chaya Kessler. The chance to visit the land where my ancestors are from was made possible by the generosity of the Jewish Community Board of Akron and the Jewish Studies Program at Kent State University.



Kent State students on a trip to Poland in March. The trip was organized by the Jewish Studies Program.

I never imagined that the week I would visit Polish lands would change the way I look at life. My experience in Poland was full of unforgettable moments. We visited Janusz Korczak's orphanage, where so many little children once smiled at life, and the Jewish cemetery of Warsaw, where a quarter of my roots rest. We visited the POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews and walked through the neighborhood that was once known as the Warsaw Ghetto, a place where so many people once lived on top of each other. We visited the JCC of Krakow, a place witnessing the revival of Jewish life in Poland, and Auschwitz-Birkenau, where so many hundreds of thousands of hearts stopped beating.

Every moment in Poland was special, whether it was a moment of sadness, happiness, hope, or comfort, and each and every one of them has been engraved on my heart. Undoubtedly, one of the moments of the trip was the most special to me: during a Shabbat dinner, I had the opportunity to talk with a Holocaust survivor in Yiddish. His deep, infinite look, his sweet gestures— that moment was so unique, inimitable, irreplaceable. I will always carry it with me wherever I go.

Every moment of the trip changed the way I look at life and the way I look and think of Poland. I no longer think of the color gray and images of the Holocaust when I think of Poland. I think of the colored buildings of Krakow, the rich and intense Jewish life in Warsaw before World War II. I think of a land that witnessed so much Judaism flourish, as well as so much Judaism perish. I think of a land full of flavors—of borscht, pierogies, kasha. I think of a land that for so many years hosted one of the largest Jewish populations in the world. That land, full of culture, that even though is the land where the Holocaust took place, is witnessing the revival of Jewish life in its cities. Dear Poland, I will unquestionably explore you again and again.

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Summit County Invests Additional \$1 Million in Israel Bonds

Summit County, Ohio invested an additional \$1 million in Israel bonds to bring its total Israel bond holdings to \$3.9 million. The purchase was possible in part due to House Bill 476, passed in 2016, which allows Ohio counties to increase foreign debt from 1 percent to 2 percent of the county's portfolio. The announcement was made by Fiscal Officer Kristen M. Scalise, CPA, CFE on behalf of the Fiscal Office of Summit County.

To date, more than 90 state, municipal and public employee pension funds and treasury funds have invested over \$3 billion in Israel bonds. In February 2017, Israel Maimon, president and CEO of the Development Corporation for Israel, made two significant announcements - 2016 U.S. sales exceeded \$1.127 billion, a new record, and the surpassing of \$40 billion in global sales since the first Israel bonds were issued in 1951.

Although Israel bonds are not themselves rated, Israel's overall foreign currency debt has investment grade ratings. In a report issued November 14, 2016, Fitch Ratings Agency upgraded Israel's long-term foreign and local currency issuer default ratings from 'A' to 'A+.'

The Summit County Israel bond investment was coordinated by the Cleveland Israel Bonds office. Thomas Lockshin, Executive Director, stated, "Israel bonds are dependable investments that provide strong interest rates and help strengthen every aspect of Israel's economy. We commend Fiscal Officer Scalise for making an outstanding investment for the citizens of Summit County."

Advocating investment and pride in Israel through the sale of Israel bonds is global in scope. Worldwide sales are more than \$40 billion since the first bonds were issued in 1951. Proceeds from the sale of Israel bonds have played a decisive role in Israel's rapid evolution into a groundbreaking, emulated leader in high-tech, greentech and biotech.



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This year marks the 50th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem. Dr. Itzhak Brook served as medic in the 6 Day War in Jerusalem and personally witnessed those historic days.

Dr. Brook, professor of pediatrics at Georgetown University, will share his own experiences from the 6 Day War in 1967, in which the Old City of Jerusalem was liberated by the IDF. He is a speaker for the Israeli Embassy in Washington, DC on the Yom Kippur War, and the author of the book *In the Sands of Sinai: A Physician's Account of the Yom Kippur War*.

Lippman to Host Cultural Immersion Camp for American, Chinese students

This summer The Lippman School will provide a unique opportunity for Chinese and American students to explore academic themes related to American history, culture, arts, and the environment at its Cultural Immersion Camp. This is the second summer Lippman has offered this camp through a growing partnership with the Dali Experimental School in Guangdong Province, China.

Camp will take place Aug. 7-11 on The Lippman School Campus, as well as in The Cuyahoga Valley National Park. The Lippman School Cultural Immersion Camp will be an exciting, hands-on learning experience, with instruction from teachers from The Lippman School and Chief Dull Knife College, which is on the Northern Cheyenne reservation in Montana.

Each morning campers will enjoy interactive classes in two themes: American History and Northern Cheyenne/Plains Indians Culture. Afternoons and evenings will include a variety of recreational opportunities, including swimming, hiking and biking in the National Park.

Lippman's Head of School, Sam Chestnut, says students who have the opportunity to live, learn, and interact with peers from other countries and cultures, will be well prepared for a future in today's globally interconnected world. For Chinese students, Chestnut says, the Cultural Immersion Camp will be a "great opportunity to learn and practice English, learn about American Culture, and share their Chinese culture with our community."

American students, he says, will have the opportunity to learn about the culture, customs, and people from



a country playing an increasingly important role in American business, political, and economic affairs. Both American and Chinese students will gain valuable new insights into American history and culture, have a great time, and make new friends.

The cost for the day camp is \$250 (for American students) includes all classes, weekday camp activities, lunch, and snacks. The camp has room for up to 25 Chinese students and 25 American students.

If you are interested in registering your fourth-sixth grade student, please email: ccohen@thelippmanschool.org or call the school at 330-836-0419.

RAISE THE ROOF

Camp JCC is preparing for summer, including repairing and improving the camp facilities, like replacing the camp pavilion roof. Endowment Funds from the Shaw JCC, with permission from their respective families, funded the repairs. A plaque will be put up before camp starts, recognizing the following funds:

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June 26-30

Step into Hiking & Trails, Tennis & Gymnastics

July 3-7

Step into Western/USA, Basketball, LEGOs & Cooking Chefs

July 10-14

A Step Above: Acts of Kindness, Kung-Fu, Creative Creations & Cheer and Dance

July 17-21

Slip Sliding Water World, Soccer, Advanced LEGOs, Journaling and Scrapbooking & Camp Wise

July 24-28

Disco Dance Step '70s, Kung-Fu, Creative Creations & Cooking Chefs

July 31-Aug. 4

Fast Steps: Sports and Maccabi, Football, Musical Theater & Ping Pong

Aug. 7-11

Step Back into Time '50s and '60s, Basketball, Musical Theater & Cheer and Dance

Aug. 14-18

Step into the Future, Basketball & Horseback Riding

750 White Pond Drive, Akron, Ohio

Apply for Program Grants for Jewish Women by June 8



Programs that directly benefit—or are of great importance to—Jewish women can receive funding through The Jewish Women's Endowment Fund, a restricted fund of the Akron Legacy & Endowment Fund of the Jewish Community Board of Akron.

Approximately \$6900 is available this year. Interested applicants seeking grant support are invited to submit an application by the deadline of **Thursday June 8, 2017 at 5 pm.**

For an application or more information, visit jewishakron.org/jwef or contact Julie Katz at 330-835-0005 or julie_katz@jewishakron.org.

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A Retirement Party

In Honor of Rabbi Stephen & Judy Grundfast for their Dedicated Service to Beth El Congregation and the Akron Jewish Community

Sunday, June 11 at 6 p.m.

Beth El Congregation
750 White Pond Drive

Entertainment by the
Renowned Musical Group, Safam
Wine and heavy hors d'oeuvres

Single Tickets are \$25 per person
Sponsorships are available
Kindly RSVP by May 26, 2017



Rubber City Jews Rundown

RACHEL OSHEROW
RCJ ADMINISTRATOR

RCJ is excited to see new faces at our programs! Recent events have included a spring welcome walk (complete with rain showers) and a happy hour gathering at a brand new High St. Hop House in the Akron Historic Arts District.

This year we hosted our first-ever Togetherness Seder—a unique Passover Seder highlighting themes of modern-day slavery and global justice. Young adults from various backgrounds and faiths joined together for engaging discussions and modern twists on traditional Passover rituals, promoting social justice in our community and beyond, and celebrating our personal freedoms. Dinner included authentic dishes from different countries—such as Thailand, Nepal, and Afghanistan—to recognize the refugee and immigrant communities in Akron. There was also a DIY “charoset bar” with recipes from all around the world was a hit, and the Seder was a great success. Thank you to those who participated!

RCJ will be introducing the “RCJ Ticket” in June: For just \$18 per person, a ticket holder can gain unlimited access to an entire year of programming! Events include holiday celebrations, Shabbat dinners, seasonal activities, community events, and fun outings in the area. Join us for hiking, karaoke, game nights, pumpkin carving, mini-golf, ice skating, concerts, theater performances, sporting events, volunteer projects, happy hours, and more!

Regular monthly programs will be completely free for those with the RCJ Ticket (occasional programs such as sporting events or concerts may require a nominal fee). There will also be discounts for other programs in the community. We look forward to bigger and better events, and can't wait to see YOU there! More details on the RCJ Ticket are forthcoming.

Rubber City Jews is a group for those in their 20s and 30s, promoting continuity and togetherness in the Akron Jewish Community. Our organization works in partnership with and in support of the Jewish Community Board of Akron and the Sands-Rogovy Fund. For more information, visit [facebook.com/rubbercityjews](https://www.facebook.com/rubbercityjews) or email rubbercityjews@gmail.com



Guests at RCJ's first Togetherness Seder

Women's Health Luncheon

Spend an Afternoon with Experts in Women's Health on May 20

On Saturday, May 20, Mazal and Reuven Chaim Cohen invite members of the Akron community, men and women, to take part in a special Kiddush luncheon at Anshe Sfard Synagogue in honor of Mazal's parents of blessed memory, Chai and Chaviva Idan. Shabbat services, from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m., will be followed by a delicious, homemade lunch. Following lunch, a panel of six local doctors will give short informational talks on various topics concerning women's health and then sit down for discussion and a Q&A session with panelists:

Dr. Regina Dorman, Family Medicine, From the Gatekeeper

Dr. Dorman graduated in 1987 from Saratov State Medical School in the Former Soviet Union. Upon immigrating to the United States, she completed her residency at Summa Family Practice in 1997. She currently works in private practice at Pioneer Physicians Network, Inc. and also serves as clinical assistant professor of Family Medicine at NEOMED.

Dr. Stacey Ehrenberg, Maternal-Fetal Medicine Specialist, How to Prepare for a Healthy Pregnancy

Dr. Ehrenberg received her medical degree at the University Of Toledo College Of Medicine. After completing residency and fellowship, Dr. Ehrenberg joined the faculty at University Hospitals in Cleveland. She recently joined Akron Children's Hospital to provide maternity care for women with complicated pregnancies and fetal therapy.

Dr. Larissa Elgudin, Psychiatry, Depression and Anxiety: The Myths and the Truths

Dr. Elgudin earned her medical degree from Kemerovo State Medical School in Russia. She works with children, adolescents and adults at Levine, Risen, and Associates Center for Marital and Sexual Health in Beachwood. Dr. Elgudin is a Clinical Instructor of the Department of Psychiatry at the Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine.

Dr. Brittany Farber, Physical Therapy, Movement is Medicine: We Have Your "Back"

After receiving her B.S. in Exercise Physiology from Ohio Northern University in 2010, Dr. Farber went on to pursue a Doctorate of Physical Therapy from Walsh University. She works at the PT Center for Sports Medicine and Family Physical Therapy in Akron and is a member of the American Physical Therapy Association.

Dr. Anne M. Shriner, Obstetrics/Gynecology, "Are Hormones Responsible for That?"

As a fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Dr. Shriner has been in private practice since 1999. She began practicing gynecology in Wooster in 2007 and has been the Chief Medical Officer of Wooster Community Hospital since 2014.

Mazal was inspired to sponsor this event to honor the last wishes of her mother, who passed away last summer. On the day before she passed away, Mazal's mother shared one last piece of advice: "Keep your health and the health of your family." Beri'ut. Mazal's mother had a special gift for empathy and insight about others.

We are working to include more medical professionals in our event. If you are interested in presenting or if you have a health question, please contact Mazal Cohen at mazalc770@gmail.com. No fee for the event but please RSVP to Mazal or to Anshe Sfard at secretary@akronshul.com by May 16. Donations can be made to Chabad of Akron.

Forum 360 Thinks Globally, Locally

What do the Girl Scouts, sustainability, and sewers have in common? These are all topics highlighted in the upcoming Forum 360 shows.

Did you know that more than 70% of female congresswomen and senators were Girl Scouts? And that all of NASA's female astronauts were Girl Scouts in their youth? We'll even talk about all those Girl Scout cookies we've either sold or ate throughout our lives when we hear about what Girl Scouts are doing today.

If you have driven in the valley recently you know progress has been made on Akron's sewer system. Hear an update about this huge project in our backyards.

Evan Delahanty is a newer face to the business landscape of Northeast Ohio. As founder of Peaceful Fruits, he was recently an entrepreneur on the hit TV series Shark Tank. He joined Forum 360 to talk about his experience with the sharks as well as his experience starting a company that does good.

Charter schools and civil rights are both in the news these days, and they are also topics for Forum 360.

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Forum 360 highlights the diverse interests in the Jewish community and in greater NE Ohio. Our goal at Forum 360 is to create a bridge between the people who have incredible stories to tell and listeners and viewers eager to hear their stories. Forum 360 is a jewel in the fabric of NE Ohio. Our goal is always to feature people, places, issues and ideas with a global outlook or a local view. We welcome ideas for topics and guests.

Each show will air:

- PBS/Fusion channel 45/49 on Monday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 5 p.m.
- WONE FM 97.5 Sunday 6 a.m.; WAKR AM 1590 Sunday, 5 p.m., Monday 12:30 a.m.



Lesley Ungar of Forum 360 with Evan Delahanty, founder of Peaceful Fruits.

FOR SENIOR ADULTS

Nature Walk

Wednesday, June 7

9:30-11:30 a.m.

Meet up at the Shaw JCC and we will go to the Nature Realm for a guided nature walk through the realm. We will walk, hike, learn about some of our local flowers and even birdwatch! We will provide transportation. Sponsored by the Shaw JCC and Jewish Family Service of Akron. **FREE.**

Beth El Congregation
Welcomes
Rabbi Arnold Belzer
President of the Sino-Judaic Institute

Sunday Evening, May 7, 2017

6:00 PM - Chinese Dinner by Efrat's Cafe & Catering

7:00 PM - Lecture by Rabbi Arnold Belzer

We will learn about the ancient Jewish community of Kaifeng, the capital of China during the Song Dynasty, where Jews have been living now for over a millennium and how to assist the Kaifeng Jewish descendants to reconnect with their cultural heritage as appropriate. There is no cost to attend just the lecture.

Pre-paid reservations for dinner must be received by:

Monday, April 24, 2017

\$25 for Adults; \$12 For Children 6-12; Under 6, Free

After April 24

\$30 for Adults; \$18 for Children 6-12; Under 6, Free

Please mail your reservation along with your check:

Beth El Congregation
750 White Pond Drive, Akron OH 44320

For questions, please call Beth El at 330.864.2105

Mother's Day Lag B'Omer Family Picnic

MAY 14

Community Celebration
at Anshe Sfard at 4:30 pm
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Shacharit

Sunday, 8 am
Monday & Thursday, 7:30 am
Shabbat, 9 am

Mincha & Maariv

Sunday - Friday, 7:30 pm
Shabbat, 7:30 pm

Torah Studies with Rabbi Sasonkin

Tuesday at 8 pm; for men and women

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Kabbalat Shabbat

Held at Brookdale Montrose (formally
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Friday Night Services

Will only be held on Friday nights when there
is a special program. Please check the calendar
for details.

Shabbat Morning Services, 9:15 am

Shacharit Weekdays, 7:30 am

Shacharit Sundays, 8:30 am

TEMPLE BETH SHALOM

50 Division Street, Hudson
330-656-1800
info@tbshudson.org
Rabbi Jim Egolf

Friday Night Services

Held twice a month at 7:45 pm, normally on
the second and fourth Fridays of the month

TEMPLE ISRAEL

91 Springside Drive, Akron
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Rabbi Josh Brown
Cantor Kathy Fromson

Friday Night Services: 6:15 pm

Last Friday of the Month Services:
7:30 pm

Wee Sing Shabbat Sing-a-long

First Friday of the month at 5:30 pm;
for families with children ages 0-6

Torah Study: Saturdays at 9:00 am

Saturday Morning Services: 10:15 am



Candle Lighting Times

It is considered a great mitzvah and responsibility
to honor the Sabbath by lighting candles 18
minutes before sunset on Friday evening.

Friday, May 5 8:10 pm

Friday, May 12 8:17 pm

Friday, May 19 8:24 pm

Friday, May 26 8:30 pm

Tuesday, May 30 8:33 pm
(Shavuot)

Wednesday, May 31 10:04 pm
(Shavuot)

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Monday, May 8, 2017

\$18 for Adults; \$8 For Children 6-12; Under 6, Free
 Chicken Dinner (Veggie option available)

After May 8

\$25 for Adults; \$15 for Children 6-12; Under 6, Free

Please mail your reservation along with your check:

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7:30 PM-Shabbat Service 8:00 PM-President Wilson

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The Picture of Health: Healthy Senior Expo

On April 6, senior adults from the Greater Akron area visited the Healthy Senior Expo. The Summit County Public Health Office of Minority Health and Jewish Family Service of Akron presented the event, which was co-sponsored by Cleveland Clinic Akron General and Summa Health System. It was held at the Shaw JCC.

A variety of vendors offered information, cooking demonstrations, activities, exercises, and free health screenings for those who attended.

The Healthy Senior Expo was funded by the Ohio Commission on Minority Health.



Visiting our Jewish cemeteries



The Jewish Community Board of Akron is responsible for maintaining four cemeteries: Sherbondy, South Street, Workman's Circle and Farband.

South Street and Sherbondy are always locked. Occasionally, someone forgets to lock up after they leave. Workman's Circle and Farband are open year 'round. You may stop at the Shaw JCC front desk and sign out a gate key. Be sure to return the key to the front desk on your way home from the cemetery. Please phone the JCBA 330-869-2424 if you notice any maintenance issues that should be addressed.

Making a stock donation to JCBA?

Thank you for your generosity! But did you know that your brokerage company doesn't always tell us who you are? So it is important for you to call or email us to let us know if you are transferring stock to the JCBA. That way, we will know who the gift comes from, what stock you are gifting, and how your gift should be applied.

Contact Julie Katz at 330-835-0005 or julie_katz@jewishakron.org.



Bar Mitzvah: Zachary Heckendorn

Zachary Heckendorn will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 27, at 9:30 a.m. at Anshe Sfard. Zach is the son of Marla and Fred Gordon and the grandson of Harvey (Hap) and Anita Post and Donna Gordon. Zach is the great grandson of Eleanor (OBM) and Mike (OBM) Post. Zach is an honor roll student in the seventh grade at Copley Middle School. In addition to the mitzvot of wearing tefillin and participating in minyan, Zach chose to volunteer with The Miracle League of Medina for his Mitzvah Project. There, he assists children with physical disabilities to enjoy playing baseball, one of his favorite sports. Zach would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Dr. Geller and Kaila Sasonkin for their selfless giving of time to assist in preparation for his Bar Mitzvah!

BURIAL LOTS AVAILABLE

The Jewish Community Board of Akron (JCBA) has burial lots available at Sherbondy Hill, Workman's Circle and Farband. The purchase price of each lot is \$950, plus perpetual care at \$500. Contact the JCBA at 330-869-2424 for details.

Community Members Open Akron ArtWorks

Akron ArtWorks is a new family art studio open in Merriman Valley. Local co-owners and members of the Jewish community, Micah Beree, an artist and art educator, and Karin Coifman, a clinical psychologist, bring their respective expertise and passions to this new family business. Together they have created a space where individuals of any age can explore art materials, develop their creative selves and soothe the soul through stress reduction.

The studio offers expert art instruction and art therapy for children and adults, through classes, workshops, open studio activities and special events. The month of May is filled with free opening events and the first class sessions begin on June 12. Visit www.akronartworks.com to learn more.

Brenner Returns to States After Years Abroad

After 17 years of living and working in Hong Kong, Akron native Brian Brenner has been transferred back to the USA. He works for JLL, a Fortune 500 real estate services company, as managing director — international desk. He and his wife, Mayumi, and children Joseph, Benjamin, and Shayna are living in Orange County, CA.

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