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Chanukah Fun Facts



Adapted from “The Jewish Book of Why”, by Rabbi Alfred J. Kolatch, find fun facts and explanations for why we do the things we do on Chanukah! Look for the Chanukah goodies throughout the pages to learn something new or refresh your memory.

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Feeding the Soul

“Being in a new city during a global pandemic was extremely difficult, but I still felt like I had this Jewish Community for support and as a way to find friendship and meaning during difficult times...I was quickly welcomed into Jewish life in Tulsa and I have been able to get involved in different facets of the community, from the Federation programming to BBYO to starting a monthly Shabbat potluck for the Young Jewish Community. I’ve loved being a part of the programming committee at the Federation to help so many great events happen. It hasn’t even been two years, but Tulsa is starting to feel more like home thanks to this beautiful Jewish Community I feel so lucky to be a part of.”

—Jillian Roberts



Jillian Roberts

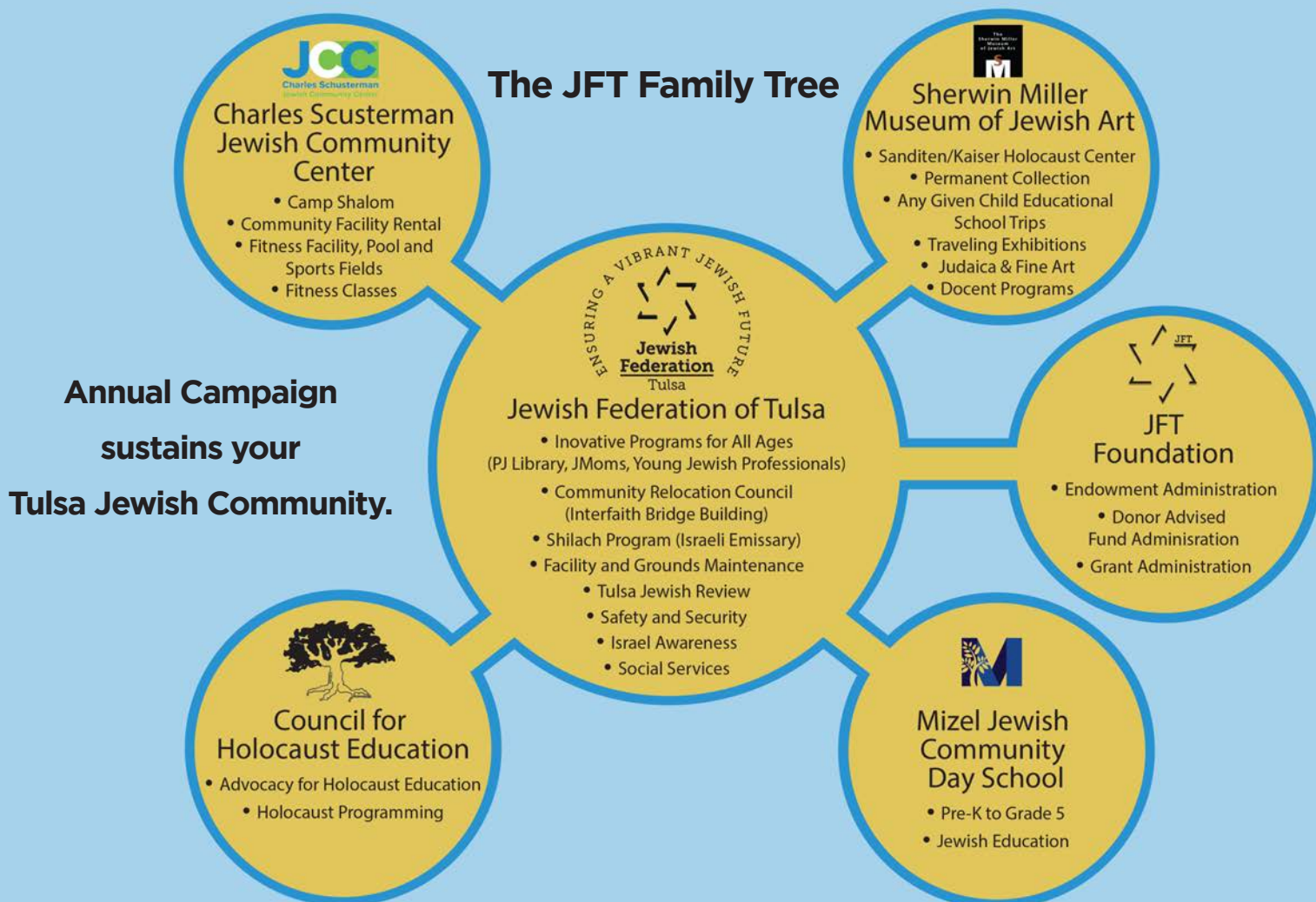
Once a year...every year, the Jewish Federation of Tulsa embarks on an Annual Campaign to meet our budgetary needs and this year's Annual Campaign is now in full swing! Annual Campaign provides unrestricted funds to provide programs educating our community on the value of preserving our Jewish heritage. Annual Campaign helps to sustain the Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art, the Charles Schusterman Jewish Community Center and Mizel Jewish Community Day School. For over 80 years, the Jewish Federation of Tulsa has cultivated a new generation of Jewish people excited about their heritage and homeland and ready to pass those traditions on to the next generation. Please help us continue our work by joining our Annual Campaign today!



If you have already donated to this year's campaign, we cannot THANK YOU enough! If you have yet to donate, we have included a gift envelope in this month's issue. You may also donate 24/7 on our secure website:

www.jewishtulsa.org/donate

Thank you for making everything we do at JFT a reality, without you, it would not be possible!



JFT Upcoming Events

Israel Education | Ytzchak Rabin Assassination Lecture and Discussion
Thursday, November 4 | 7:00 PM | Virtual Via Zoom

See event flyer on page 9

Council for Holocaust Education | Kristallnacht Remembrance
Sunday, November 7 | 2:00 PM | Virtual Via Zoom

See event flyer on page 17

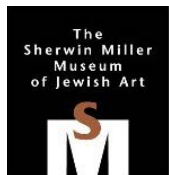
Men's Club | Lunch and Learn with Jimmy Darnell and David Chapman
Wednesday, November 10 | 12:00 PM | Dan Room

Presentation by Jimmy Darnell and David Chapman, owners of Cookies, Cakes, and Jews
RSVP at jewishtulsa.org/mens-club-nov10

Young Jewish Professionals | Bend and Brew
Wednesday, November 10 | 7:00 PM | Fassler Hall

Jillian Roberts, Young Jewish Professional, will be leading a fun yoga + beer social at Fassler Hall outside on the patio. For young Jewish professionals 45 and under. No equipment necessary, yoga will last about 15 minutes followed by socializing. Must be vaccinated and have a valid 21+ ID to join.

RSVP at jewishtulsa.org/bend-and-brew



SMMJA | Veterans Day | Free Admission
Thursday, November 11 | 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art

See event flyer on page 11



Mizel JCDS | Fall Fundraiser | Brunch and Bowling
Sunday, November 14th | 12:00 pm | Dust Bowl Lanes and Lounge

See event flyer on page 13

Mizel JCDS | Thanksgiving Feast
Thursday, November 18th | 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM | Sylvan Auditorium

Joint luncheon with Ladies Who Lunch and Men's Club

See event flyer on page 7

Eight Crazy Nights and the Miracle of Light

Chanukah is observed for eight nights because according to the Mishna (Megillat Taanit 9), it took eight days to rebuild the altar of the reclaimed Temple. Additionally, the Talmud (Shabbat 21b) explains that all the oil jugs were desecrated during the battle except for one that was supposed to last only one day, but instead burned for eight.



JFT Upcoming Events Continued

Not your Bubbie's Matzo Ball Soup | Zoom Cooking Class Thursday, November 18 | 6:00 PM | Virtual Via Zoom



The weather is getting cooler, it's time to cozy up and eat some Jewish Penicillin. Led by Mariel and Brandon Neth, learn to make a vegetarian style matzo ball soup. Ingredient packs will be provided for pick-up the day of the event.

RSVP to purchase your cooking kit at jewishtulsa.org/matzoball

"My Chicagoan family eats, sleeps, and breathes meat, but when nine-year-old-baby (me) found out where meat came from, that was that for me. Finding Vegetarian restaurant options and cookbooks in the early 90s was harder than finding a Jew in the NFL Hall of Fame, so I had to come up with my own recipes. Matzo ball soup, being Jewish Penicillin, was first on my list to veggie-fy." -Mariel Neth

PJ Library | Chanukah Crafts | Sunday, November 21 | 2:00 - 4:00 PM | Sylvan Auditorium

PJ Library November has all the things to prepare for the Festival of Lights! Make your own dreidel snow globe, hand print menorah, and snack craft. Join us in the Sylvan Auditorium for fun craft time followed by a book and song session.



Mizel JCDS | Chanukah Family STEM Night Thursday, December 2nd | Sylvan Auditorium

See event flyer on page 13



Young Jewish Professionals | Chanukah Party Saturday, December 4 | 7:00 PM | Gambills

Dreidels, Latkes, Games, Drinks! Young Professionals (under 45) are invited to a Chanukah party in collaboration with Tulsa Tomorrow. Hosted by young Jewish Professional, Hunter Gambill.

RSVP at jewishtulsa.org/yjp-chanukah

As part of the Jewish Federation of Tulsa's ongoing commitment to provide a safe and healthy facility, we are requiring all individuals attending events within the JFT campus to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 (with the exception of children under the age of 12).

Thank you for your continued tikkun olam!

Please contact Program Coordinator Isabella Silberg with any questions you may have. isilberg@jewishtulsa.org 918.495.1100

Go to www.JewishTulsa.org/events to view a full calendar of events.



Celebrating Our Community

October 17 Concert and Dinner in Liberators' Park - Event Recapped by SANDY SLOAN

On a picture-perfect fall day over 100 guests attended “Celebrate Community”, an outdoor concert in Liberators’ Park with taco bar, drinks, desserts, and Jewish community members of all ages. “It was so nice to be able to gather safely, outdoors, in person,” stated guest Jillian Roberts. “Nothing beats getting to know my new community face-to-face versus Zoom.” Everyone agreed the weather was outstanding and so was the headliner, guitarist/singer-songwriter Lazer Lloyd. Having landed in Tulsa mere hours earlier from Israel, Lloyd sang folk standards, soul ballads, blues-rock favorites, and even a few Hebrew songs. “Federations are an excellent and important example of how people from all backgrounds and beliefs can come together and contribute to and enjoy community at every stage of life. I have performed at numerous Federations across the US and the Tulsa campus is a special place,” Lloyd commented. “To have a museum, Jewish day school, and community/

fitness center all housed under the Jewish Federation is remarkable!” The JFT staff thanks everyone for joining us to build and nurture our wonderful community. We look forward to many more celebrations in the future!

The community event was amazing! Not only was the weather, food, and music excellent, but our Tulsa Jewish community is truly wonderful. After the past 18 months, gathering in person is different for everyone, but it was wonderful to see people take time out of their busy schedules, fighting their social anxieties and showing up for an outdoor party with our community. It was a special day and I look forward to our next community celebration!

—Lori Lieb





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Thursday, November 18

11:30-1:00pm

Sylvan Auditorium

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Candles of the Menorah are Lit From Left to Right

Most people probably have to look this tradition up every year. Various candle lighting practices have evolved throughout time, but the current tradition is to give equal importance to both sides of the menorah. This is to indicate that the Elohim's presence is everywhere. The candles are inserted from right to left, but are kindled from left to right. We add a candle each night versus starting with a full menorah and removing a candle each night because we want to increase and add to the holiness.



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Yitzhak Rabin

by CHEN SHOVAL, ISRAELI EMISSARY



*Yitzhak Rabin interviewing**

I will always remember the moment when I learned that Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was assassinated. I was only six years old, yet that moment remains a vivid memory for me. At

the time, I did not understand what a prime minister did, nor did I understand what assassinated meant.

In my teens, I was an active member of the Israeli Scout Youth Movement where I worked with children and other teenagers my age. Every year for Yitzhak Rabin Memorial Day we would prepare activities for children, a ceremony with his quotes, and songs written in his memory. We also lit soul candles, replicating the thousands of candles lit after his murder. Each year we performed the same rituals, yet it was only in my adulthood, when I began to deepen my knowledge of history, politics, geopolitics, and the challenges that Israel faces daily, that I began to understand the magnitude of the disaster that happened on November 4, 1995.

Yitzhak Rabin was a warrior and IDF chief of staff in the glorious Six Day War leading Israel to victory. After that he was Israel's ambassador to the United States, prime minister, defense minister, and again prime minister. Rabin fought on all fronts and realized there was only one way to live in Israel, and that was the way of peace.

In the years before Rabin was assassinated, he managed to sign the Oslo Accords, an agreement between Israel and the Palestinian Authority, and a peace agreement with Jordan. The agreement with Jordan came with a condition of signing an agreement with the Palestinians. The Oslo Accords detailed a long process of partitioning the West Bank, with the goal of two countries living side-by-side peacefully.

The peace process was cut short with the assassination of Rabin by an extreme-right activist, Yigal Amir. The assassination itself was preceded by demonstrations in right-wing circles and in the press by describing Rabin as a traitor and publicizing pictures of Rabin wearing an SS uniform. Demonstrators based their ideal that Rabin was a traitor on their belief that the State of Israel should include "Greater Israel" consisting of the West Bank, Judea and Samaria. The demonstrators saw themselves

as patriots fighting for Israel, combatting the country's division and opposing the signing of an agreement with terrorists. In addition to the demonstrations against Rabin and the government, there were also those on the Palestinian side that were in opposition to the agreements. Terrorist acts against the State of Israel increased. In response to the ongoing violence, on November 4, 1995, a peace rally was held in Tel Aviv called "A Rally for Peace", led by singers, artists, and speakers including Rabin, with the goal of advancing the peace agreements. At the end of the rally on his way to his car Rabin was shot three times and died later that evening.

To this day, there is still no consensus on the murder, whether it was an act of treason or not. Prime Minister Rabin's assassination reflects an ongoing deep cultural divide between Israel's right and left-wing forces and overall Israeli society. I invite you to join us on November 4 to hear a lecture and join in the conversation about the Rabin assassination, Israeli society, and the current peace process.

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ISRAEL EDUCATION



**Yitzhak Rabin Assassination
Lecture and Discussion**

Thursday, November 4th at 7:00pm via Zoom



Join us to talk about how murder from within changes an entire nation, why the assassination of Rabin is not perceived as treason, and what the peace process looks like after 26 years since the signing of the Oslo Accords.



**Led and Moderated by
Hadas Cohen Ph.D.
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Fellow at the OU
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Judaic and Israel studies.**

**RSVP for Zoom info: email emissary@jewishtulsa.org
or visit www.jewishtulsa.org/yitzhak-rabin-21**



New Patterns - Simon Waranch Glass Exhibit Now – January 2, 2022

Fire, metal, wood. These eternal, essential elements commingle through Simon Waranch's skillful creativity, forming a uniquely identifiable body of work. Waranch, still a college student, is primarily a glass artist. He has been refining his craft since being introduced to it while still in high school. Waranch's dedication and innate talent has opened doors to mentorships with glass artists across the country and around the world. Though the experiences of engaging with these masters inform his work, Waranch continues to bring something new to the dialogue. His current explorations with metal and wood reinforce his ability to continue to move the needle forward while working with these timeless materials.



Jews Rock

This permanent exhibit is now open featuring photographs of music's Jewish icons through the lens of photojournalist Janet Macoska. Also featured are hand-painted guitars by Oklahoma artists showcasing Jewish musicians.



Oklahoma WWII Veterans Memorial

The Memorial is now open to the public and honors the men and women who served in World War II.



Sanditen/Kaiser Holocaust Center

The Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art Sanditen/Kaiser Holocaust Center doubled the size of the Museum's Holocaust Center space and provided for new state-of-the-art displays, greatly enhancing the Museum's Holocaust education capacity. The new Holocaust Center is the cornerstone of what goes on at The Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art and will continue to bring in new visitors every day to learn why and how the Holocaust occurred and how to ensure it never happens again. The center showcases over 250 artifacts from soldiers and survivors never before seen by the public. The horrifying events are told through the experiences of five Holocaust survivors who made Oklahoma their home. Their first-hand accounts, along with the artifacts and documents, will help you walk into the history and lessons learned during the Holocaust. Also featured in the only Holocaust Center in the region is a one-of-a-kind art installation from local Oklahoma artists. The Museum's Sanditen/Kaiser Holocaust Center honoring Mildred and Julius Sanditen & Herman and Kate Kaiser showcases the effects of hate locally and worldwide.



Women's Art from the Community and the SMMJA Collection Now-Dec.

Although 60% of Master of Fine Arts students are women, female artists only make up 30% of those shown in galleries. Work by women artists makes up only 3-5% of major collections in the United States and Europe. The SMMJA would like to showcase the women's art we have in our collection as our dedication to promote and collect more Jewish art by women.



Reuven Rubin Now-Dec.

Reuven Rubin is celebrated as a pioneer in the Israeli art world. Born on November 13, 1893, in Romania, Rubin served as Israel's first ambassador to the country of his birth. His paintings use radiant, earthy colors and simple techniques, reminiscent of the work of French-Russian artist Marc Chagall, to explore the biblical landscapes of his home in Israel and its folk history. He regularly drew the countryside and people who inhabited it, transforming his observations into more fantastical and dream-like scenes through his unique artistic vision.

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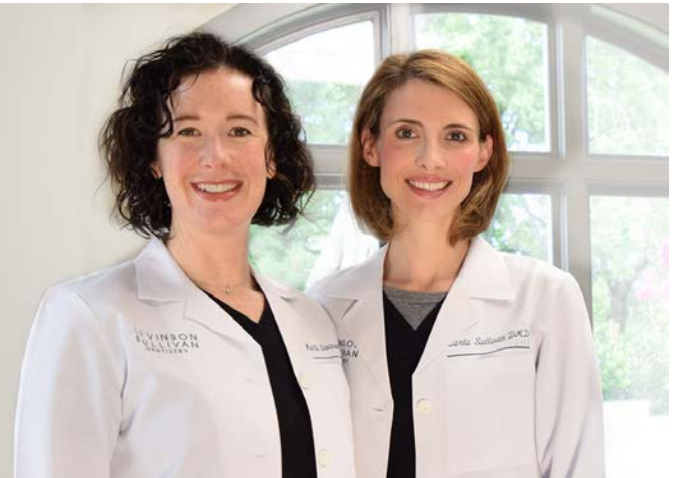
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Overcoming Learning Obstacles with Covid at Mizel

by AMANDA ANDERSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF MIZEL JEWISH COMMUNITY DAYSCHOOL

Undeniably, the Covid-19 pandemic has been disastrous for early childhood education; the impacts of it going beyond the students and into families as well. With the 2021-2022 school year now underway, we've worked to identify the major aspects of our new normal that must be navigated together to mitigate the pandemic's lasting effects. These concepts are not new in education but, with the world changing, must become regular components to the educational process. These concepts include the impacts of remote instruction, project-based learning, technology implementation, and perhaps most importantly, greater parent involvement in all aspects of their children's education.

Due to the past two years of social distancing, younger children, many whom have never known a traditional classroom, have experienced delays and/or setbacks in their social, emotional development. Instead of the typical 6-8 hours of in-person learning and social development that children used to receive, many students only received an hour or two of remote learning. This distancing has caused a decline not only in academics but also in social skills, emotional intelligence, and interaction with peers. Without intervention, these unfortunate gaps in social development will have long-term repercussions.

However, all is not doom and gloom! There are also positive realizations from the past two years that have the potential to strengthen us all! Across the board, educators are learning how to maintain uninterrupted education in spite of quarantining and isolation through project based learning and the integration of technology into the learning process. For years traditional educators have been hesitant for a number of reasons to use technology with regularity. What we have learned though is that students not only need the technology in remote learning times but truly benefit from it and are capable of demonstrating greater learning and growth when that technology is a regular presence.

Additionally, project-based learning is another relatively new concept that we are finding to be an incredible tool for education in a near post-pandemic world. With the sad and stressful realization that most of our students, through no fault of their own, are at different places in their education - we've come to understand that one single lesson to be absorbed by all simultaneously no longer works. Education has begun the move towards project-based learning - a style in which every student can engage with the full curriculum despite where they are beginning or finishing. It epitomizes individualization and drives student ownership! Moreover, project based learning has shown to strengthen teamwork, motivation, and problem solving.



Pre-K class exploring creation through hands on learning.

Lastly, this pandemic has helped many of us realize just how integral parental involvement is education. The past two years at home have been different for every family, particularly those with parents in essential jobs or on the front line. However, it cannot be understated that when parents are able to participate with their students in the learning process, greater depth of learning can be achieved!

At Mizel JCDS we fundamentally understand these concepts and have adapted to meet this moment in history! Every day through technology implementation, project-based learning, focus on the lost social emotional skills, and parents as our partners we continue to create meaningful experiences for all of our students and families - for their time at Mizel JCDS and beyond!

Everything Tastes Better Fried

Count miracles not calories! It's a common tradition to eat various fried foods like latkes and sufganiyot during Chanukah. Oil is used as a symbol to celebrate the miracle of the oil lasting eight days. Some people even use an oil lit menorah to celebrate.

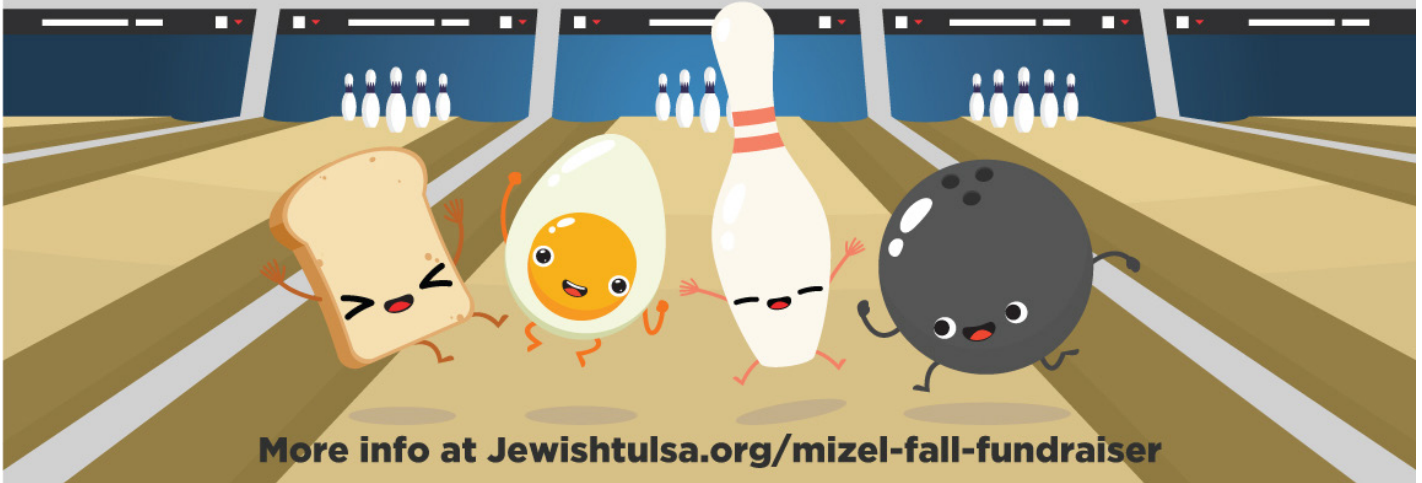




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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH @ 12:00PM
DUST BOWL LANES AND LOUNGE



More info at Jewishtulsa.org/mizel-fall-fundraiser

MIZEL FAMILY STEM NIGHT

EXPLORING STEM CONCEPTS THROUGH A CHANUKAH LENS

Activities

- Food
- Candle Lighting



Open to the Community

• Grades
Pre K - 5th

Thursday, December 2nd • 6:00-7:30pm

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**Thursday, November 25th
CLOSED ALL DAY**

**Friday, November 26th
JCC Fitness Open Noon-5pm**

Camp Shalom

**SCHOOL'S OUT
THANKSGIVING BREAK CAMP**

**Wednesday, November 24th
8:30am-4:30pm 1st-6th Grade
\$50 per day
Limited Space - Register Online**

www.csjcc.org/schools-out-programs

**CSJCC November Fitness Challenge
NO SKIP NOVEMBER**

- Set a Workout Goal.**
- Check-in At Our Goal Tracker Board Every Day You Workout.**
- For Every Week you Crush Your Goal, You Will Gain One Entry to Win a JCC Fitness Shirt!**
- Five Weeks of Crushing Your Goals = Five Entries to Win!**
- Twenty-five winners will be drawn at the end of "No Skip November" to receive a JCC Fitness Shirt!**

**WIN A
JCC
Fitness
T-SHIRT!**

Contact Fitness Instructor Hannah Bakewell With Any Questions fitness@jewishtulsa.org

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- Circuit Training Class** - Tuesdays/Thursdays 9-10 AM
- Barre Belles** - Tuesdays/Thursdays 10-11 AM
- Midweek Movement** - Wednesdays 9-10 AM
- Tap 'N Tone** - Wednesdays 10-11 AM
- Spin** - Tuesdays/Thursdays Noon-1 PM
- Jukebox Jams** - Fridays 9-10 AM
- Bootcamp** - Wednesdays/Fridays Noon-1 PM

For class descriptions visit <https://csjcc.org/fitness-schedule/>

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- Friday** _____ **6:00 a.m.—5 p.m.**
- Saturday** _____ **Noon—5 p.m.**
- Sunday** _____ **9 a.m.—5 p.m.**

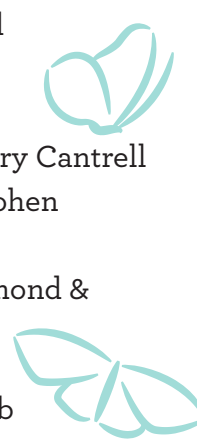


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Holocaust Lessons Imprinted on Hearts of Receivers

by NANCY PETTUS, DIRECTOR OF HOLOCAUST EDUCATION

Our first “official” in-person school tour of the 2021-22 school year welcomed 30 Skiatook High School students, Language Arts Teachers Katrina Morrison and Bridgette Laramie, and counselor Kyle Martin to the Sanditen/Kaiser Holocaust Center and the Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art. Masked and ready to learn, the students, who had just completed their reading of *Night* by Elie Wiesel, were engaged, cooperative, respectful, and not afraid to answer questions.

It all begins with Eva! Our first stop, Eva Unterman’s welcome to the museum, set the tone for the exhibits to come. The uniforms caught everyone’s attention, especially the KKK robe. But the 2017 Charlottesville rally display provided a teachable moment, since these kids were only 12 or 13 yrs. old when it happened. When I asked why the khaki pants and white polos, one student responded, “They wanted to look normal.” Moving through the exhibit, students were shocked to learn that 91% of Polish Jews were killed during the Holocaust. Students also had difficulty wrapping their heads around the “Blood libel” claim that Jews used the blood of Christian children to make their Matzo bread. I saw several heads shaking “No, no...”

When the students learned the 1935 Nuremberg laws took away German Jews’ citizenship, I asked what that meant to them. Answers varied from losing the right to vote, health benefits and jobs, to freedom of religion and more. The propaganda exhibit was a huge attraction. One student expressed appreciation when he learned that that not one penny was spent on Nazi memorabilia; the artifacts they saw were all donated.

The Hitler Youth, 1936 Berlin Olympics, and Kristallnacht exhibits were new topics to the students. One commented that “the Kristallnacht art piece was really pretty for being based on a tragic event.” However, the mandatory yellow stars were familiar from their reading of *Night*. A few sitting on the bench labeled “only for Jews” jumped when I read the translation; several made the correlation between what the Nazis were doing to the Jews and our country’s Jim Crow Laws.

The exhibits on the second floor deliver a much greater emotional impact, evinced by the more somber mood among the visitors. I could see sadness in many eyes as I explained that the pre-war Jewish items on the “Great Hall’s” walls that belonged to free Jews were now being seen by those same Jews through barbed wire. The death march exhibit provided the opportunity to

tell survivor Gerda Weissman-Klein’s story of walking 350 miles in mid-winter wearing ski boots her father insisted she take. Most were shocked hearing that Gerda witnessed a friend without proper foot covering sitting and snapping off her frozen toes.

Although students are challenged to comprehend the enormity of the Holocaust, if this important event is presented with thoughtful respect, its lessons will imprint themselves on the hearts of the receivers. And they will be forever changed. Thank you, teachers, for preparing your students for this journey.

“The museum felt welcoming and was a safe place to ask questions and most importantly to learn.”

- Cole Martin, Skiatook student



Students gain a new perspective on persecution from the 2nd floor display: From left: Madison Hollis, Kaya Chisum, Journey Swisher, Cade Matheson, and LeAnna Dunagan



Gabby Beaman and Peter Carroll enjoy a stroll after lunch in Liberator’s Park



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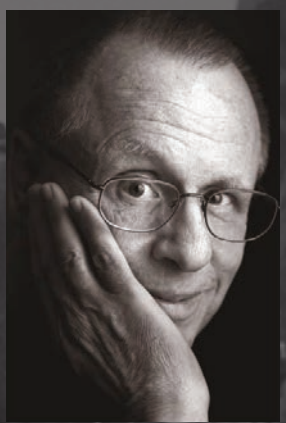
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Nazis in the USA The German American Bund ©

by PHIL GOLDFARB

People walking down the street, wearing brown shirts, giving the heil Hitler salute, carrying flags with swastikas on them. Nazi Germany? No, this actually happened in the United States in the 1930's.

The German American Bund, or German American Federation, was a pro-Nazi organization consisting of American citizens of German descent. Aside from its admiration for Adolf Hitler and the achievements of Nazi Germany, the German American Bund program included anti-Semitism, anti-Communist sentiments, and the demand that the United States remain neutral in the approaching European conflict.

On March 19, 1936, the German American Bund was established in Buffalo, NY. The Bund elected a German-born American citizen Fritz Julius Kuhn as its leader (Bundesführer). Kuhn was a veteran of the Bavarian infantry during World War I and an Alter Kämpfer (old fighter) of the Nazi Party who, in 1934, was granted American citizenship.

The administrative structure of the Bund mimicked the regional administrative subdivision of the Nazi Party. They divided the United States into three Gaue: Gau Ost (East), Gau West and Gau Midwest. Together the three Gaue comprised of 69 Ortsgruppen (local groups): 40 in Gau Ost, 10 in Gau West and 19 in Gau Midwest.

The Bund established a number of training camps, including Camps Nordland and Bergwald in New Jersey, Camps Siegfried and Highland in New York, Camp Hindenburg in Wisconsin; and Deutschhorst in Pennsylvania. The Bund held rallies with Nazi insignia and procedures such as the Hitler salute, and attacked the administration of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jewish-American groups, Communism, "Moscow-directed" trade unions, and American boycotts of German goods. The organization claimed to show its loyalty to America by displaying the flag of the United States alongside the flag of Nazi Germany at Bund meetings and declared that George Washington was "the first Fascist" who did not believe democracy would work.

Actual membership figures for the German American Bund are not really known, but estimates place membership at 25,000 dues-paying members, including some 8,000 uniformed Sturmabteilungen (SA), more commonly known as Storm Troopers.

The highpoint of the Bund's activities was the rally at Madison Square Garden in New York City on February 20, 1939, billed as a pro-"Americanism" rally. The rally took place at a time when the German American Bund's membership was dropping, and Kuhn hoped that a provocative high-profile event would reverse the group's

declining fortunes. The pro-Nazi Bund was unpopular in New York City, and some called for the event to be banned. Mayor Fiorello La Guardia (whose mother was Jewish) allowed the event to go forward, correctly predicting that the Bund's highly publicized spectacle would further discredit them in the public eye.

On the day of the rally, LaGuardia dispatched over 1,000 police officers in anticipation of large protests outside of Madison Square Garden. One hundred thousand anti-Nazi protesters gathered in the streets surrounding the Garden carrying signs with phrases like: "Drive the Nazis out of New York," "Smash Anti-Semitism" and "Give me a gas mask, I can't stand the smell of Nazis."

The stage at the event featured a huge 30-foot George Washington portrait flanked by swastikas. The 20,000 Bund attendees carried signs and banners incorporating anti-Semitic and Nazi propaganda messages such as, "Wake up America! Smash Jewish Communism," and "Stop Jewish Domination of Christian Americans."

When the Bund's national leader, Fritz Kuhn, gave his keynote address, he referred to President Franklin Roosevelt as "Frank D Rosenfield," called the New Deal the "Jew Deal" and demanded that "our government be returned to the American People who founded it." Kuhn called Manhattan District Attorney Thomas Dewey "Thomas Jewey" and NYC Mayor Fiorello "Jew Lumpen" LaGuardia.

At 11:15, members of the Bund buttoned up their overcoats, conveniently hiding their uniforms, and were escorted through police lines amid the crowds of protesters waiting outside. Ralliers were greeted with a roar of catcalls, jeers, and even a few punches, but by midnight all was quiet.



In 1939 a New York tax investigation determined that Kuhn had embezzled \$14,000 from the Bund, and Thomas Dewey prosecuted him in an attempt to cripple the Bund. On December 5, 1939, Kuhn was sentenced to two and a half to five years in prison for tax evasion and embezzlement.

The German American Bund closely cooperated with the “Christian Front” organized by Detroit’s antisemitic radio priest Father Charles Coughlin, William Dudley Pelley of Minneapolis, among others, openly called for Jews to be driven from positions of responsibility, if not from the country itself. Organized Brown Shirts in New York and Silver Shirts in Minneapolis outraged and terrorized American Jewry.

While the older and more respectable Jewish organizations pondered a response that would not alienate non-Jewish supporters, others, including a few rabbis, asked Jewish gangsters to break up American Nazi rallies. Jewish leaders wanted the rallies stopped but had no legal grounds on which to do so. New York State Judge Nathan Perlman personally contacted Meyer Lansky to ask him to disrupt the Bund rallies, with the proviso that Lansky’s henchmen stop short of killing any Bundists.

Disappointed by the restraints but enthusiastic for the assignment, Lansky accepted all of Perlman’s terms except one: he would take no money for the work. Lansky later observed, “I was a Jew and felt for those Jews in Europe who were suffering. They were my brothers.”

For months, Lansky’s workmen effectively broke up one Nazi rally after another. Nazi arms, legs and ribs were broken, and skulls were cracked, but no one died. These Jewish racketeers quickly became the real “inglorious bastards,” using guns, knives, and bats to break up Bund rallies to send a message to Nazi sympathizers. As Lansky wryly acknowledged in his notes, “We weren’t yeshiva boys.”

Lansky recalled breaking up a Brown Shirt rally in the Yorkville section of Manhattan “The stage was decorated with a swastika and a picture of Hitler. The speakers started ranting. There were only fifteen of us, but we went into action. We threw some of them out

the windows.... most of the Nazis panicked and ran out. We chased them and beat them up....we wanted to show them that Jews would not always sit back and accept insults.”

In Minneapolis, Pelley organized a Silver Shirt Legion to “rescue” America from an imaginary Jewish-Communist conspiracy. Gambling czar David Berman confronted Pelley’s Silver Shirts on behalf of the Minneapolis Jewish community. When the Nazi leader called for all the “Jew bastards” in the city to be expelled, or worse, Berman and his “associates” burst into the room and started cracking heads.

After ten minutes they had emptied the hall. His suit covered in blood, Berman took the microphone and announced, “This is a warning. Anybody who says anything against Jews gets the same treatment, only next time it will be worse.” After Berman broke up two more rallies, there were no more public Silver Shirt meetings in Minneapolis.

The House Un-American Activities Committee hearings held in 1939 showed clear evidence of German American Bund ties to the Nazi government. Within a year, every leader of the Bund was interned or jailed as dangerous aliens, and by the end of December 1941, the U.S. Government outlawed the German American Bund.

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The Light of the Chanukah Menorah is Not to be Used for Practical Matters

The light of the Chanukah menorah is to be used exclusively for celebrating the holiday. This is in contrast to Shabbat candles used to illuminate a house on the day of rest or a regular menorah with seven branches used as a utility. For this reason, a ninth candle, the shamash, is used to light the symbolic eight celebratory candles of the Chanukah Menorah. Another way Jews emphasize the Chanukah menorah is for celebration only, is to display it decoratively in a window or entry of their household to be viewed by the public.

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There is No Opposing Side to Holocaust Education

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A state-by-state survey of young Americans last year showed that more than half in Texas could not name a concentration camp or ghetto where Jews were imprisoned and tortured during the Holocaust, despite there being more than 40,000 sites in Europe.

More than 60 percent did not know that 6 million Jews were brutally murdered, and almost a third of those students believed that the number was less than half that, discovered the Claims Conference survey of 18- to 39-year-olds. Some believed that Jews caused the Holocaust and nearly half (47 percent) had no idea what Auschwitz was.

This lack of historical knowledge makes a Southlake school administrator's advice to offer students an opposing perspective on the Holocaust even more disturbing. The Carroll school district's executive director of curriculum and instruction referenced Texas House Bill 3979, relating to civics instruction in public schools. According to the state law, teachers should, when discussing, "current events or widely debated and currently controversial issues of public policy or social affairs ... strive to explore such issues from diverse and contending perspectives ..."

By this logic, the Southlake administrator seems to think that the Holocaust—the systematic murder of two-thirds of Europe's Jews at the hands of the Nazi regime, a genocide for which the worldwide Jewish community's numbers are still recovering—is a "widely debated or currently controversial issue."

The Holocaust is an irrefutable, well-documented historical fact. This has been demonstrated by decades of state-level action across the country by policymakers. As of October 2021, 38 U.S. states have at least one form of Holocaust-education guidance through legislation on curriculum guidelines or the formation of a Holocaust commission. Twenty U.S. states have legislation mandating Holocaust education while another 18 have legislation suggesting curriculum guidelines. Similarly, a state Holocaust commission, which 16 U.S. states currently have, may provide grants, educational resources and curriculum guidance, but may not mandate a set number of hours for instruction about the Holocaust.

Texas is one of the 38 states. In 2009, state legislators created the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission, providing resources on the Holocaust and other genocides for students, educators and the general public. Texas legislators have gone even further, passing Senate Bill 1828 in the fall of 2019 to create an official Holocaust Remembrance Week during International

Holocaust Remembrance Day, celebrated annually on Jan. 27. Earlier this year, through legislation signed by Gov. Greg Abbott in September, the Holocaust Commission became the Texas Holocaust, Genocide and Antisemitism Advisory Commission, widening the scope of the commission, requiring biennial studies on anti-Semitism, and committing to implementing Holocaust- and genocide-education programs.

Support for Holocaust education is also strong at the grassroots level. At least 90 percent of both American Jews and the general public view Holocaust education as important, according to American Jewish Committee's State of Antisemitism in America 2020 Report.

Ongoing efforts to deny the scope or historical fact of the Holocaust, known as Holocaust denial or distortion, remain decisive obstacles to expanding Holocaust education. Such denial or questioning the extent of Jewish suffering is anti-Semitic because it spreads the false idea that Jews invented or exaggerated the Holocaust.

Holocaust distortion has especially become a tool for some opponents to state-mandated efforts to curb the spread of the coronavirus through mask and/or vaccine requirements. They have protested with the yellow Star of David, historically used to identify and marginalize Jews; and have used Nazi imagery and rhetoric, such as comparing Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer to Adolf Hitler.

Then again, the 2020 study by the Claims Conference on Millennial and Gen Z knowledge of the Holocaust, or lack thereof, showed that 13 percent of young Texans believed that Jews brought the atrocity on themselves and caused the Holocaust. That, too, is anti-Semitic.

Carroll Independent School District superintendent Lane Ledbetter apologized on Facebook a day after the news broke, saying "we recognize there are not two sides of the Holocaust." But has the administrator in question, who is responsible for providing curriculum guidance for scores if not hundreds of teachers, done so as well?

Elected officials at all levels—federal, state, local and even the school board—should condemn any and all efforts to politicize the Holocaust or question its validity. Any less would be a disservice to the memory of the 6 million Jews, and millions of others, who perished during the years of the Holocaust.

Alyssa Weiner is American Jewish Committee's associate director for combating anti-Semitism.



Two Rabbis And...

Every Friday, November 5, 12, 19, 26 • 11 a.m.

Rabbis Kaiman and Fitzerman convene a weekly conversation to foreground news of the day, interview special guests, and talk about ideas relevant to Jewish community life. It's an ongoing conversation about our shared journey in a diverse, multicultural Jewish world. Join us on Zoom at 918 583 7121 for the recording. The resulting podcast is available on Spotify, iTunes, and the Synagogue website.

Shabbat Together

Every Friday, November 5, 12, 19, 26 • 5:30 p.m.

The portal moments of candle lighting, kiddush, and the first bite of challah, remind us that Shabbat is an ideal time to enjoy time in each other's company. Shabbat Together is a short, digital gathering where we take a few moments to connect with the whole community as we enter Shabbat. We hope that this experience will be especially meaningful to those who are mourning a loved one or observing the anniversary of a loss (yahrtzeit). We'll conclude everything in time for you to enjoy a Shabbat meal at home. Synagogue Zoom Room, Meeting ID: 918 583 7121.

Panim el Panim Shabbat

Shabbat Yachad Morning Celebration
Every Saturday, November 6, 13, 20, 27 • 9:30 a.m.

Our tradition speaks of the special power that exists when people gather together for prayer. Panim el Panim is a live broadcast service on Zoom led by Rabbis Fitzerman and Kaiman. Rooted in the traditional practice of the Synagogue, we focus on the concerns of the liturgy, Torah study, and offering prayer for those in need of healing. Our handbook is a fully transliterated presentation of the Shabbat morning service with expert commentary and guidance. Shabbat Yachad is COVID-safe gathering in the Synagogue

Sanctuary marking our incremental return to life in three dimensions. We'll be digital on November 13 and 27, and three-dimensional on November 6 and 20. To take part in the digital celebration, join us in our Synagogue Zoom Room, Meeting ID: 918 583 7121. To participate in Shabbat Yachad, please make your reservation at tulsagogue.com.

Baker's Dozen

Every Monday • Noon to 5:30 p.m.

Our cookie-baking program is in full swing and we need bakers! We are collecting cookies, bars, and single-serve baked goods and delivering them immediately to frontline workers around the city. All are invited to participate and any gift in any amount is appreciated. Please wear a mask and deliver your cookies to the designated table at The Synagogue entrance on Mondays from 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Natalie Shaver at nshaver@bnaiemunah.com.

INTRO: Round 3

Every Monday November 1 until
November 22 • 7:30 p.m.

Rabbi Kaiman continues with the third unit of his Introduction to Judaism course for the whole community. The class is open to all students, including those considering conversion, adult learners looking for deeper understanding, those with Jewish spouses or extended family, and high school students involved in interfaith relations. Sessions loop through the entire calendar year and each session is self-contained. Please note that this is a non-denominational course that takes the "Just Judaism" approach to education. Those who wish to participate should make contact with Rabbi Kaiman at rdk@bnaiemunah.com to register for this course.

Millennials: Stories of Refuge and Resettlement

Tuesday, November 3 • 7:00 p.m.

Join other young Jewish adults on Tuesday, November 3 at 7:00 p.m. for a powerful evening of storytelling. We'll hear from Tulsa community members who have come to our country as refugees and learn about their experiences along the way. Inspired by their stories, we'll hear from B'nai Emunah's own Director of Refugee Resettlement, Amber Knecht, about the ways in which we

can support the Synagogue's new effort to resettle refugees in Tulsa. For more information and to let us know you'll be joining us, please contact Natalie Shaver at nshaver@bnaiemunah.com.

Blatt + Blue: Tel Aviv on Fire

Thursday, November 18 • 7:00 p.m.

Our ongoing film and television series, Blatt+Blue, spotlights the discussion leading skills of film and television enthusiasts David Blatt and Alice Blue. This month they will discuss Tel Aviv on Fire, Sameh Zoabi's clever 2019 comedy about an inexperienced young Palestinian man who becomes a writer on a popular soap opera after a chance meeting with an Israeli soldier. Join us on Thursday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. for a lively discussion in our Synagogue Zoom room. The meeting ID is 918 583 7121.

Body, Mind, and Spirit with Flow + Tell

Friday, November 12 - Sunday,
November 14

Join us for a weekend Shabbaton experience rooted in mindfulness and gratitude with our special guest, Jonathan Stone of the internationally recognized wellness group, Flow + Tell. We'll celebrate Shabbat together and reconnect to ourselves and to community through a variety of vibrant in-person and online workshops. Program highlights will include intentional movement and yoga, renewal through meditation, and the nurturing of our spirits through music and sound healing. All are welcome. For more information and to view the full itinerary of this hybrid event (in-person and virtual), please visit our website at www.tulsagogue or contact Natalie Shaver at nshaver@bnaiemunah.com.

Shabbat for Everyone

Friday, November 19 • 6:15 p.m.

We are excited to welcome all ages to our monthly outdoor Shabbat service. We'll begin with a festive meal and continue with the music and words of celebration. Please make your reservations on the Synagogue website at www.tulsagogue.com

Bar Mitzvah of Baron Von Ostendorf

Saturday, November 20

We're happy to announce the coming celebrations in honor of Baron Von Ostendorf, son of Jennifer Paxton and Anton Von Ostendorf, on November 20 at 9:30 a.m.

Family Day of Service Sunday, November 21

Shul School and Hebrew Language Lab students and their families are invited to our Annual Day of Service as we prepare for the Thanksgiving Season. On Sunday, November 21, families will join their children for a day of intergenerational learning, celebration, and action. This year our focus will be on refugees as the Synagogue and the larger Tulsa community continues to welcome new arrivals to Tulsa. We'll learn about

our own history of being new to a place, our Jewish responsibility to help those in need, and what we can do to support refugees today in our own community. The morning will run during regular Shul School hours. Questions? Contact Mora Sara at slevitt@bnaiemunah.com.

Chanukah in the Street Wednesday, December 5 • 6:00 p.m.

Congregation B'nai Emunah is excited to host a special holiday concert in honor of Chanukah in the street at

the entrance to the Synagogue. All are invited to attend. We'll light the menorah, feast on donuts and holiday treats, and enjoy the festive music of the Klay Kodesh, the Synagogue's band of singers and instrumentalists. For more information, please visit the Synagogue website at www.tulsasynagogue.com. This year's public concert is part of the Synagogue's celebration, "Eight Lights for Eight Nights," a week-long smorgasbord of holiday activities. Look for additional details in November.

BLATT + BLUE REVIEW TEL AVIV ON FIRE ON NOVEMBER 18



Now in its second year of broadcasting, Blatt + Blue continues to explore the universe of Jewish film and television, including material that does not conform to notions of conventional taste and philosophical correctness. Led by David Blatt and Alice Blue, discussants regularly gather on the Zoom platform. All are invited, especially newcomers. The rule is “unmute,” to encourage quick cross-conversation and rapid-fire comment.

The next session on Thursday, November 18 will feature Sameh Zoabi's clever 2019 comedy about Salam, an inexperienced young Palestinian man, who becomes a writer on a popular soap opera after a chance meeting with an Israeli soldier. His creative career is on the rise until the soldier and the show's financial backers disagree about how the show should end, and Salam is caught in the middle.

The film is shot through with notes of farce and melancholy, as it sheds light on the complicated relationship between Arabs and Jews. Zoabi sees Israel as a multi-national phenomenon where lives are brought together across the borders of history, class, ethnicity, and nationality. After the city disturbances in Israel this past year, we are all learning more about this challenging reality.

Month after month, Blatt + Blue spotlights film and television enthusiasts David Blatt and Alice Blue, who begin each session with a summary of the featured material. It means that you'll be able to follow the conversation even if you have to delay your viewing of the film itself. After that, it's questions and comments from the Zoom Room audience.

Tel Aviv on Fire is easily available on Amazon Prime for a modest rental fee. Join the Zoom discussion on Thursday evening, November 18, at 7:00 p.m. The Zoom meeting ID is 918-583-7121 and the session will conclude at 8:00 p.m. Please note that security protocols are always in place to prevent a disrupted session. If there is a film you'd like to see in these sessions in the future, please reach out to Rabbi Marc Fitzerman at marboofitz@bnaiemunah.com. Coming in December: Leona.

CHANUKAH IN THE STREET

The whole of the community is invited to attend this year's public concert for Chanukah. The Synagogue will gather its members and friends in Tulsa on the evening of Sunday, December 5 for a street fair evening of song, holiday candle-lighting, free donuts, and cider, at 6:00 p.m. The event will take place at the front door of the Synagogue at Seventeenth and Peoria and all are invited. Ample parking is available in the lot opposite the portico.

The idea of Chanukah is to take the news of miracles and religious freedom into the public sphere so that they can animate the whole of humanity. The Synagogue hopes to share that message with our fellow citizens in Tulsa. Performers will include Sara Levitt, Happie Hoffman, Eric Hunker, Eliot Wulff, and Rabbis Marc Fitzerman and Dan Kaiman. They will be accompanied by Greg Raskin, Jon Glazer, Pat Savage, and Sandy Shapoval. Together, the group is known as Klay Kodesh, the ensemble that has been performing for over two decades at the Synagogue. The set list will include soulful tunes for the first nights of winter and rapid-fire melodies to make the heart beat faster.

No reservations are necessary. Many thanks to our singers and instrumentalists. Chanukah in the Street is part of the Synagogue's weeklong festival of events on the holiday, Eight Lights for Eight Nights. Check the Synagogue website at tulsasynagogue.com for details.



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Lesson 2 - November 1 **No Apologies**

We look at some of the explanations for antisemitism that have been offered throughout the ages to emerge with an important principle: the problem with hating Jews lies not with the Jews but with the haters. Internalizing this hate is not a healthy response.

Lesson 3 - November 8 **The Promised Land**

Today, hatred of Jews commonly manifests itself as antagonism toward the Jewish State. This class distinguishes all-out antisemitism from some more nuanced sub-strains. It also examines the state of Israel education and the very nature of Jewish nationhood.

Lesson 4 - November 15 **Change of Heart**

Psychology, neuroscience, and recent history show us that neither friend nor foe should ever be taken for granted. With a bit of subtlety and conviction, and always with trust in G-d, we find that the dark days of the past are no cause for pessimism ahead.



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Shabbat Learning Through the Ages on Zoom • Sat., Nov. 6 • 10:30 a.m.

Borrowing from our Temple Israel monthly Shabbat morning experience, we will join to study and learn from one another. We will explore Torah and Traditional Rabbinical texts based on themes of this week’s Parsha, Torah Reading. RSVP to rsvp@templetulsa.com to get the Zoom link.

Tot Shabbat • Fri., Nov. 12 • 6:00 p.m.

Join us as we create a sacred space for our young families with songs, prayers, and an activity with our short monthly Tot Shabbat Service. Contact Rabbi K at rabbikay@templetulsa.com for more information.

Social Justice Shabbat Service • Fri., Nov. 12 • 7:30 p.m.

Join Temple Israel for Social Justice Shabbat, Honoring the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma. RSVP to rsvp@templetulsa.com to get the Zoom link.



Sisterhood Hanukkah Sale • Sun., Nov. 14 • 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Hanukkah is coming...just 2 days after Thanksgiving! Please join us for a special pop-up sale for both Hanukkah items & another installment of Sisterhood’s Trinkets-n-Treasures. The discounts and bargains will be worth stopping by! Everything MUST go! All proceeds will go to support our religious education program! See you there.

First Night Hanukkiah Lighting • Sun., Nov. 28 • 5:00 p.m.

As the sun sets, join Temple Israel for treats, refreshments, and festive holiday songs, as we light a large hanukkiah on the Temple lawn and share the story of Hanukkah. Spend time with friends, singing and celebrating, then take home a special Hanukkah gelt bag!

HaNeirot Hallelu – Congregational Hanukkiah Lighting on Zoom • Tues., Nov. 30 • 5:30 p.m.

Join us on Zoom from the comfort of your own home as we light our Hanukkiot together with blessings and songs that help us celebrate the festival of lights! RSVP to rsvp@templetulsa.com to get the Zoom link.

Zamru L’Shabbat Hanukkah Service • Fri., Dec. 3 • 6:00 p.m.

Join Cantor Weinstein and Eliyahu’s Minor Prophets, in person or online as we welcome Shabbat and celebrate Hanukkah with joyous holiday songs! RSVP to rsvp@templetulsa.com to get the Zoom link.

Hanukkah Havdalah on Facebook Live • Sat., Dec. 4 • 6:00 p.m.

Join your Temple Israel Music Team, as we separate the sacred from the sublime and begin the week anew with Hanukkah Havdalah; they will offer the prayerful songs of Havdalah, and the festive music of Hanukkah.

Young Families Hanukkah Program • Sun., Dec. 5 • 5:00 p.m.

Young families are invited to come together at Temple Israel for a special Hanukkah program. We will have activities, a story, and a full hanukkiah of candles to celebrate the last night of the holiday. For more information contact Rabbi K. at rabbikay@templetulsa.com.

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Hanukkah Celebration

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021
5:00 PM

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL OUTDOOR COMMUNITY-WIDE HANUKKAH GATHERING

AS THE SUN IS SETTING, WE WILL LIGHT THE FIRST CANDLE OF OUR HANUKKIAH AND CELEBRATE TOGETHER!

Festive treats for all!

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COMMUNITY MITZVAH OPPORTUNITY
WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE
FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES

The Torah mentions the idea of ‘Welcoming the Stranger’ no less than 36 times. There are an estimated 800+ Afghan refugees on their way to Tulsa, so to welcome these new neighbors, Temple Israel is partnering with Tulsa Metropolitan Ministry (TMM) to provide winter clothes to those in need.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!
Please DROP off NEW or gently used women’s and/or children’s clothes—all sizes needed—to Temple Israel and we will work with TMM to ensure the donations get to our neighbors in need.

WANT TO DO EVEN MORE? TMM IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP SORT CLOTHES AT FELLOWSHIP CONGREGATIONAL UCC.

SIGN UP HERE:
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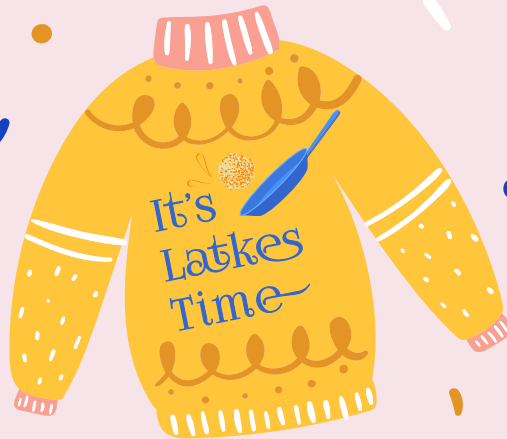
Any questions? Contact admin@templetulsa.com



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Chanukah Sweater Competitions



Get out your crafting supplies,
It's time for a little friendly competition.

Come dressed in your best Chanukah-themed sweaters at any of these community celebrations and you may just win a prize!

Friday, December 3, 6:00 PM
Shabbat Chanukah Service
Temple Israel

Sunday, December 5, 6:00 PM
Chanukah in the Street
B'nai Emunah

Prizes will be awarded for funniest, most creative, and judges' choice sweaters to participating individuals

contact Isabella Silberg with any questions ISilberg@jewishtulsa.org