

## Registration Continues For CAMP JOE LEVINE



The start of Camp Joe Levine nears, and we are finalizing our plans. This year's program will include many creative activities, fun games, and exciting adventures. As always, our Israeli counselors are bringing to Camp Joe a wonderful Judaica program to teach our children about Israel. The lake, the Nature Center, the trails, and, of course, our dedicated staff, all anxiously await your child's arrival.

Register by April 1, 2016 and receive a 10% early registration discount.

We hope that you can join us this summer. Camp applications are available online at [www.fwjf.org](http://www.fwjf.org). If you have any questions or would like a camp application to be mailed to you, please contact Fort Wayne Jewish Federation at 260-456-0400.

We hope to hear from you soon. We look forward to sharing this great camping experience with your child. ♦

## Bring a Bit of Israel Into Your Home!

Camp Joe Levine is looking for a sponsor family for our visiting Israeli counselors July 3 - July 24. Avital and Shira will be joining our staff this year and sharing with our campers their knowledge and love of Israel and Judaism.

Avital and Shira keep Kosher. If you are interested in hosting the counselors, but you do not keep Kosher, we can help provide paper plates, separate cookware, and other items for the girls to use during their stay.

Not sure if this is for you? - See the message from Bonnie Pomerantz, whose family hosted Israeli counselors for six years in the past: *"Bring a bit of Israel into your home! Our counselors are fun, passionate and energetic and will become life-long friends of your child and your whole family! This is an once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! Don't let it pass you by."*

If you are interested in hosting the counselors or have any questions, please contact the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne at 456-0400. ♦

# CONGREGATION B'NAI JACOB

### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

The annual meeting of members of Congregation B'nai Jacob, Inc. will be held on Sunday, May 15th, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at the Congregation building located at: **7227 Bittersweet Moors Drive Fort Wayne, IN 46814**

### SIYUM HATORAH - CONFIRMATION CEREMONY

At 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 15th, Congregation B'nai Jacob will mark the graduation of the Havurat No'ar Class 10th graders. Mazel Tov to Eden Fuchs, Ian Martinez, Rebecka Roberts, and Michal Spanjer! After the Ceremony, a reception will take place. Everyone is cordially invited.

### TORAH CLASSES

Torah class meets on Shabbat at 12:45 p.m. We are studying Vayikra, the Book of Leviticus, and finding the deeper meaning in the korbanot, the ancient offerings of the Children of Israel. What is their significance to us?

Mishneh Torah class meets on Wednesdays at 7:00pm. At present we are studying brachot, the blessings we pray, and delving into their application in our lives. We are using Maimonides' classic work on the Written and Oral Torah, the Mishneh Torah.

### LAG B'OMER

Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> is Lag B'Omer. The congregation will celebrate with a bonfire and picnic at the synagogue at 5:30pm. All are welcome. Reservations required by Thursday, May 19th. Call the synagogue office at 672-8459.

### SHABBAT SERVICES

Shabbat morning services are held every Saturday at 9:15 a.m. After our services, congregants and guests have an opportunity to enjoy the Shabbat and the camaraderie at our Kiddush.

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL - MAY SCHEDULE

Classes meet on Wednesday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. and on Shabbat mornings at 9:30 a.m. Havurat No'ar and Confirmation Classes meet on Wednesday afternoons at 4:30 p.m.

Classes meet on May 4th, 7th, and 11th. On May 11th, our Religious School will hold its last session at 4:00 p.m.

### YOM HAATZMAUT CELEBRATION "AN EVENING TO UNITE WITH TZAHAL / IDF"

#### GUEST SPEAKER, RABBI HAMMER

Rabbi Shalom Hammer, motivational lecturer for the Israeli Defense Forces and contributing writer for the Jerusalem Post, will celebrate Yom Haatzmaut - Israel Independence Day - in Fort Wayne on Wednesday, May 18th at 7:00 p.m., when he will speak on "What Are We Fighting For?" The evening takes place at Congregation B'nai Jacob, is free and open to the community, and is sponsored by the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation.

## If you like the chailights...

If you want to remain on our mailing list to receive the chailights, event cards, etc., the minimum membership to the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne is \$54.00. If your pledge is lower than \$54 and you want to just receive the chailights electronically, please send us your email to [office@fwjf.org](mailto:office@fwjf.org).

## SHALOM FORT WAYNE!

-A program of the Jewish Federation-  
Would you like to become an ambassador to welcome people who are new to the Jewish community or not currently involved?

If you know about somebody new to the Fort Wayne community, please let us know. "Shalom Fort Wayne" would like to welcome them. To sign up or receive additional information about the program, contact Jaki at the Federation office: 260-456-0400 or [jakischreier@fwjf.org](mailto:jakischreier@fwjf.org).

## Welcome!