



APRIL 2019

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Tikkun Olam in Action:

Please join us to hear how the Israeli NGO Ma'ase is making a difference in the lives of Arab, Druze and Jewish youth from disadvantaged backgrounds and making Israel a better place

Monday, April 8th @ 7:00 PM

The History Center - 302 E. Berry St.

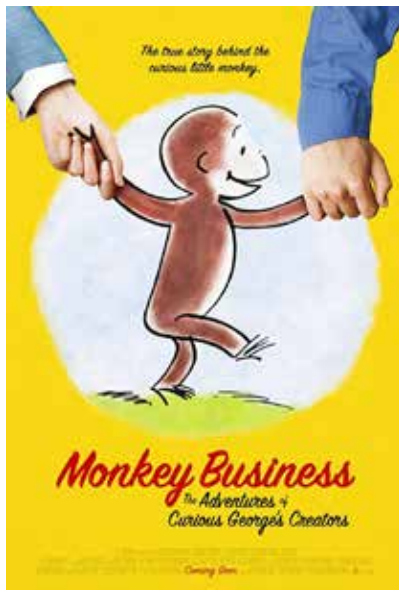


This event is free and open to the public

Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support



Monkey Business: The Adventures of Curious George's Creators - The adventures that inspired Hans and Margaret Rey to create "Curious George."



The event begins at 1:30 p.m. in the theater of **ACPL Downtown** on **April 14** with a screening of the film. Using animation, archival materials and interviews, the film explores the extraordinary lives of the Reys, who were as adventurous as George himself!

People of the Book Lecture

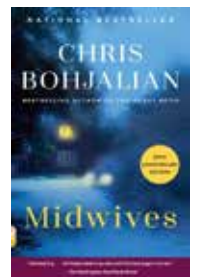
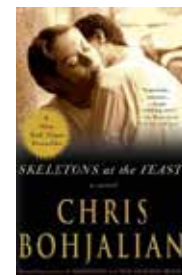
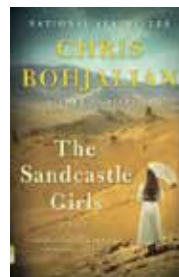
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Chris Bohjalian



Monday, April 29, 2019
7:30 p.m.

Rifkin Campus at 5200
5200 Old Mill Road
Fort Wayne, IN



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - JAKI SCHREIER



One Jew asking another Jew to help yet another Jew has defined us as a people for generations, and has never been more prevalent than current times. We are so appreciative of the Jewish Federation members who take time from their busy

lives to show that community service not only enhances our community, but enriches the lives of individuals. Our community members do a lot of work behind the scenes, giving of their time to help, care for, and give to others in need. They do what it takes by asking themselves what they can do to make the world a better place, and then asking another Jew to join with them. This unity and commitment to change is the true act of tikkun olam.

On Monday, April 8th at 7 p.m. our community will have the opportunity to learn about the amazing

work (tikkun olam) of the Israeli NGO Ma'ase and how it is making a difference in the lives of Arab, Druze, and Jewish youth from disadvantaged backgrounds while making Israel a better place. Ma'ase is a unique program that uses volunteerism as a vehicle for social change. Thousands of Israelis choose to dedicate the year after high school to volunteerism, before the army, or instead of military service, if they are exempt from it. Israeli and international studies show that a post-high school year of volunteerism improves life skills such as communication skills, project management, coping skills, independence, and self-confidence. Ma'ase recruits gap-year students from all groups of Israeli society and about half of them are Israeli-Arabs. The volunteer year is also a platform to get the participants to know each other, Jewish orthodox and non-orthodox, immigrants from Ethiopia, Bedouin, Druze, Muslim and Christian Arabs.

Please plan to attend this inspiring and informational event, held at The History Center on April 8th.

**Thank you
for your Generosity**

Thank You

In a small community like ours, every gift matters. Thank you to all of you for stepping up and making a difference in our world and helping Jews near and far.

If you have not yet made your pledge for the annual campaign, it's not too late to make an impact.

READY...RECHARGE...RENEW! 2019

Name _____

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I/We hereby pledge to pay the 2018/2019 Annual Campaign the Sum of \$ _____

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I/We would like to add 3% (or \$ _____) to help defray the credit card fees

** Payment arrangements are available upon request



A WORD FROM OUR SOCIAL WORKER, FRAN VOLANTE

It's good to be back!



It's been over 15 years since I had the pleasure of working with the Federation leadership, from Vivian Lansky through Lew Borman and Jeff Gubitz, and the very capable office staff.

When I began, it was the time we were resettling new Americans from the former Soviet Union. It's been gratifying to see how they have made new lives for themselves in Fort Wayne. A number have new careers, have furthered their education, and many are now home owners.

When the resettlement program ended, we switched our emphasis to the seniors in the Jewish community. We had regular "Lunch Bunch" luncheons at Temple with guest speakers, trips to local interests, and home visits.

At a recent meeting with Jaki and Bonnie, it was agreed that I would come back as a volunteer. I look forward to being involved with Federation and the Jewish community again.



Help is Available

We know that during these trying times, we can all use a little help once in a while. For those in need, we do offer food vouchers and gas cards. Please call the [Federation](#) office at (260) 456-0400. All calls are confidential.

We are also accepting donations of gas cards. If you would like to make a donation, please send in a check with "gas card" in the memo or call the office.



Audrey and Joe Gerson Free Loan Fund

This Fund was set up to offer an interest-free loan up to \$2,000 to members of the Jewish community who are undergoing financial hardships. Please call the Federation office at 260.456.0400 to speak to someone confidentially.

Charitable Adult Rides and Services (CARS)

Do you have a car, truck, van, SUV, boat, motorcycle, ATV, RV, trailer or airplane that you no longer need or use?



Donating them has never been easier! Simply choose [CARS](#) and their trained staff will guide you through the donation process.

WHAT WE SUPPORT

Jewish Council for Public Affairs (JCPA)

Submitted by Steve Trotter



The [JCPA](#) works on shaping consensus on public issues, developing strategic responses, and working with the media, elected officials, coalition partners, and others through public relations, advocacy, and lobbying. The JCPA also helps the 125 Jewish Community Relations Councils organize events and advocacy around the country, promoting interfaith and community partnerships.

International issues that the JCPA is concerned with include Israel-United States relations, global antisemitism, the United Nations, the well-being of Jews in endangered areas, genocide, and human rights. Domestic issues that the JCPA is concerned with include antisemitism, social justice, poverty, education, public health, the environment, immigration, individual rights, and religious liberties including the preservation of the separation of church and state. It has been active in supporting rights of Israeli Arabs and has fought for equality in Israel.

Along with Catholic Charities USA and the National Council of Churches, the JCPA has been a cosponsor of the annual Fighting Poverty with Faith mobilization since 2008. Fighting Poverty with Faith mobilizes communities to hold events aimed at making ending poverty a national priority with a different theme each year. Past themes have included "Good Jobs, Green Jobs," poverty, hunger, and affordable housing.

The JCPA is also actively involved in environmentalism and climate-change issues through its program the Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life (COEJL), an affiliate of the National Religious Partnership on the Environment.

In partnership with The Jewish Federations of North America, the JCPA created the Israel Action Network in 2010 to help communities counter the delegitimization of Israel. The IAN was created to educate, organize and mobilize the organized North American Jewish community to develop strategic approaches to attacks on Israel and use partnerships to promote peace and security for two states for two peoples.

**From our staff and Board of Directors, we wish you all a Happy Passover!
Our office will be closed on Thursday, April 25.**



CALENDAR

| <h1 style="margin: 0;">APRIL 2019</h1> | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | | | | | | | |
| | 1 | 2 | 7:00 p.m. Mishneh Torah - BJ | 3:30 p.m. Hebrew School - BJ 7:00 p.m. BJ Board Meeting - BJ | JFFW Office Closed 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Services - CAV | 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services - BJ 9:30 a.m. Shabbat School - BJ 12:45 p.m. Torah Study - BJ | | | | | | | |
| 7 | CAV Office Closed 7:00 p.m. Merkaz Ma'ase - History Center | 8 | 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - CAV | 9 | 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - CAV 7:00 p.m. Mishneh Torah - BJ | 10 | Noon - ROMEOs - RO 6:30 p.m. CAV Board Meeting - CAV 7:00 p.m. Ethics Class - BJ | 11 | JFFW Office Closed 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Services - CAV | 12 | 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services - BJ 12:45 p.m. Torah Study - BJ | 13 | |
| 14 | 9:45 a.m. Religious School - CAV 1:30 p.m. Monkey Business movie - ACPL downtown | 15 | CAV Office Closed 7:00 p.m. JFFW Board Meeting - CAV | 16 | 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - CAV | 17 | 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - CAV | 18 | After nightfall Bedikat Chametz - BJ | 19 | Eve of Pesach JFFW Office Closed No Shabbat Services | 20 | 9:15 a.m. Pesach Services - BJ |
| 21 | CAV Office Closed | 22 | 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - CAV | 23 | 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - CAV | 24 | JFFW Office Closed | 25 | JFFW Office Closed | 26 | JFFW Office Closed 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Services - CAV | 27 | 9:15 a.m. Eighth Day Pesach Services - BJ |
| 28 | 9:45 a.m. Religious School - CAV 1:00 p.m. IJHS tour - CANDLES Museum | 29 | CAV Office Closed 7:00 p.m. People of the Book - CAV | 30 | 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - CAV | | | | | | KEY: JFFW - Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne (The Federation) BJ - B'nai Jacob (the Synagogue) | | CAV - Congregation Achduth Vesholom (the Temple) RC - Rosh Chodesh (Women's Group) RO - ROMEOs |

BETTY'S BOOK SIGNING



Betty Stein wrote a book, **"By The Way"** and we were fortunate to have her speak and sign her books.



It was a marvelous way to spend a Sunday afternoon. **Thank you, Betty!** We look forward to your next book!



TEACHER WORKSHOP WITH DR. DAVID LINDQUIST

"How Can You Bear to Study the Holocaust?" "How Can We Not?" Teaching the Holocaust in 21st Century Classrooms

Dr. David Lindquist taught this all-day seminar to area teachers at no cost to them on Thursday, March 14, 2019.

This seminar focused on teaching strategies and materials used by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum as part of its National Outreach for Teacher Initiatives (NOTI) programming. As such, it introduced area teachers to approaches and resources developed by the leading Holocaust research center in the world.

Thank you, David for another successful seminar!



CONGREGATION ACHDUTH VESHOLOM

CIVIL WAR NOVEL NEXT TOPIC FOR TEMPLE BOOK CLUB

Sister of Mine by Sabra Waldfogel is the next title for the Temple Book Club. We'll discuss this historical Civil War novel with the author via LiveChat on Tuesday evening, May 7 at 7 p.m. in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center. The book focuses on the daughter of a Jewish plantation owner and her maid, a slave named Rachel. A copy is available in the [Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library](#).

CELEBRATE SHABBAT AT THE TEMPLE

Begin your weekend with Shabbat at [Congregation Achduth Vesholom](#)! During April, services will be held on these Fridays at 7:30 p.m.: April 5, 12, & 26. No service will be held on Friday, April 29 due to the first night of Passover.

JOIN OUR THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS TEAM IN APRIL

The Jewish community's Thoughtful Thursdays volunteers will meet on Wednesday, April 10 at 10 a.m. to assemble bags for our 70 Brightpoint Head Start children who attend class at the Temple.

Our bags this month include breakfast treats (oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, blueberry muffin mix, and fruit). We continue to collect boxes of tissues, which can be dropped off at the Rifkin Campus or Congregation B'nai Jacob.

We're nearing the end of our 9th year. Our final bag assembly for the school year will be on Wednesday, May 1 at 11 a.m., followed by a volunteer luncheon and meeting in the Goldstine Chapel.

Thank you to our volunteers from Congregation Achduth Vesholom, Congregation B'nai Jacob, and The Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.

FINDING FAMILY AFTER THE HOLOCAUST

The [Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society](#) is pleased to host [Dr. Elizabeth Anthony](#) for two presentations on Sunday, May 5 and Monday, May 6. She is the [International Tracing Service](#) and Partnerships Program Manager at the [United States Holocaust Memorial Museum](#).

The ITS collections became available in Germany and at digital copy-holding institutions around the world in November 2007. This service is a valuable resource for researchers interesting in studying issues focused on victims of Nazi persecution. These presentations will give attendees an introduction to the ITS collections and their function, and are generously supported by the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation, the [PFW Institute for Holocaust & Genocide Studies](#), the University of St. Francis, and the Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center.

On Sunday, May 5, Dr. Anthony will speak about the use of the ITS to find victims of the Nazis. This Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society program will be held at 2 p.m. at the [Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center](#) and is open to the public. On Monday, May 6, she will present a similar program at 3 p.m. at the University of St. Francis Downtown Business Center, 826 Ewing St. [Irv Adler](#), president of the NEIJGS and a Temple member, will be part of this presentation as well. He will explain how he used the ITS database to find the last surviving member of his Viennese family.

MAHJ AND MADGE – A GREAT COMBO

Please join us for weekly mah jongg in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center! [Sign up for open play](#) on Sunday mornings, Thursday afternoons, and Monday evenings. Enjoy our beautiful space, friendly conversation, and a chance to play this centuries-old Chinese game. We also have [mah jongg resources](#) in the Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library.



HOLOCAUST RESOURCES



The Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library has almost 700 titles in its collection related to the Holocaust. Many of these books and movies have received awards, and we've compiled a brochure featuring these titles which is accessible [here](#). For younger readers, we have a number of beautiful picture books that gently introduce the topic, and for teens, we have some exceptional collections of diaries and first-hand accounts. We have significant collections of both fiction and non-fiction, and our video collection includes more than thirty documentaries and feature films.

Our full Holocaust collection can be accessed through our catalog - <https://www.librarycat.org/lib/cavlibrary/search/text/Holocaust?sort=date>. If you're browsing the collection in person, Holocaust material can be located easily by looking for the star on the spine.

CONGREGATION B'NAI JACOB

SHABBAT SERVICES

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

RABBI'S SCHEDULE

Rabbi Mitchell Kornspan will be conducting services and will be available for appointments April 6 - 13.

PASSOVER INFORMATION AND SERVICES

Passover 2019 will be celebrated from April 19 - April 27.

Thursday, April 18 after nightfall – Bedikat Chametz*

After the house has been thoroughly cleaned, a ceremonial search is performed for whatever "chametz" may remain. All chametz should have already been put away in cabinets, the garage or in some place where it can be marked and not be used, even by accident.

***Selling of Chametz** form available by calling the synagogue office at 260-672-8459. *Return to office or Rabbi by Friday, April 11.*

Friday, April 19 – Eve of Pesach

One may eat a chametz meal until 10:55 a.m. No matzah is to be eaten until the Seder that night.
First Seder - Candle lighting: 8:06 p.m.

Saturday, April 20, 9:15 am – Pesach Services

Second Seder - Candle lighting: 9:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 25, Candle lighting 8:13 p.m.

Friday, April 26, Candle lighting 8:13 p.m.

Saturday, April 27, 9:15 a.m. – Eighth Day Pesach Services

Yizkor approximately 10:45 a.m.

CLASSES WITH RABBI KORNSPAN

Mishneh Torah Wednesdays, April 3 & 10 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
We are presently learning about the melachot, the creative activities we refrain from doing on the Shabbat to make it a unique oasis in time.

Torah study Sat., April 6 & 13 12:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
We are now studying Vayikra, Leviticus, and learning from the classic commentators, while also discussing our own insights.

ETHICS CLASS

Our next class will meet on Sunday, April 11 at 7:00 p.m. We will be dialoguing about ethics as taught by the Torah. Currently we are studying about the deleterious effects of anger.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Hebrew School Thursday, April 4 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Shabbat School Saturday, April 6 9:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be Thursday, April 4 at 7:00 p.m.



Eva Kor, Holocaust survivor, forgiveness advocate, and 2017 Sachem Award recipient, gave a lecture on Monday, March 18, 2019 at Indiana Tech.



OUR CONNECTIONS

INDIANA JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

CANDLES HOLOCAUST MUSEUM

Indiana Jewish Historical Society (IJHS) Members are invited to join us at CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center in Terre Haute on Sunday, April 28, 2019 from 1 pm to 4 pm for a talk by Steve Carr on Holocaust memorials and popular culture with a focus on Indiana. Carr is an Associate Professor of Communication and affiliated with the Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Purdue Fort Wayne. After the talk we will engage in discussion and Q&A. Finally, attendees will have the opportunity to tour the museum with staff and end the afternoon with a coffee and tea reception. Visit www.ijhs.org to RSVP.

Indiana
Jewish
Historical
Society



HOOSIER JEWISH LEGENDS

The Indiana Jewish Historical Society (IJHS) invites you to learn about the Hoosier Jewish Legends – A Hall of Fame (HJL) celebrating Hoosiers who have created a significant and lasting impact to their profession, faith-based and/or secular community, and the legacy of the role of the Jewish community in Indiana's continuing story. We are currently accepting applications for 2019 HJL and we need your nominations! Please visit www.ijhs.org for information about the program and instructions on how to nominate a Legend.

CAMP JOE IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

Join us in July and experience all the exciting adventures and fun times that a summer camp provides. Learn about Israel and its culture, play your favorite sports and games, hike, swim, and observe nature up close at the beautiful [Fox Island!](#) The lake, the Nature Center, the trails, friends - old and new - and, of course, our dedicated counselors, all await your child's arrival.

It is our goal to make sure that all children are able to participate in this wonderful program. Camper scholarships are available. If you are interested in a scholarship for your child, please mark "yes" at the bottom of the application or contact the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) directly at 260-456-0400.

Camp runs Monday – Friday, July 8 – July 26, 2019. Applications are available online at www.fwjf.org or by request from the JFFW. We hope to hear from you soon. We look forward to sharing this great camping experience with your child.



FUNDS AND DONATIONS

JEWISH FEDERATION FUNDS

ENDOWMENT

- **Audrey and Joe Gerson Free Loan Fund**
- **Baum/Goldenberg Scholarship**
- **Emergency Cash Assistance Fund**
- **Holocaust Education Fund**
- **Jewish Experience Fund**
- **JNF - Plant a tree in Israel**
- **Prejudice Reduction Elimination Fund**
- **Thoughtful Thursdays Fund**
- **Community Relations Committee (CRC):**
To provide for local programming and events through the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.
- **Goldenberg Camp Joe Fund:**
Every year we get a number of requests for assistance with the registration for our three-week Camp Joe Levine Day Camp.



- **Janet Finkel Campership Fund:**
In April 2008, Audrey Gerson established the Janet Finkel Campership Fund in honor of Janet Finkel. This fund makes it possible to help youngsters go to a Jewish Camp or to a Music Camp.
- **PJ Library:**
Supports reading anytime of the day, but we know that many families sit down to read books at bedtime, in their pajamas. PJ Library books can be enjoyed any time you want a good story.
- **The Martha Rothenberg Replane Theater & Creative Arts Fund:**
This fund was created in Memory of Martha Rothenberg Replane to honor her memory and her love for theater and creative arts. The fund will be used to encourage theater and creative arts presentations and knowledge in our community.

DONATIONS

Holocaust Education Fund

- A donation was received from Jaki Schreier in appreciation of David Lindquist's Holocaust Teacher Workshop.

JNF - Plant a tree in Israel

- A donation was received from Jaki & Eric Schreier in memory of those who lost their lives in the Holocaust.



JFFW Fund Donation Form

Donation from: Name _____ Fund (pick from list) _____

Donor Address _____ In honor of _____

Donor City/St/Zip _____ In memory of _____

Send card to: Name _____ Notes: _____

Send card to address _____

Send card to City/St/Zip _____

Send your donation and this form to:
Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne
5200 Old Mill Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46807

R.O.M.E.O.s
(Retired Old Men Eating Out)

April 11 – Mad Anthony Brewing Company
1109 Taylor Street

April 25 – No Lunch - Passover

Anyone interested in joining the ROMEOS for lunch can contact Denny Reynolds at 260-637-0507 or dennisreynolds@me.com



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Merkaz Ma'ase
7 pm
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"Monkey Business"
1:30 pm
Allen County Public Library
Downtown

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