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**April, 2016**  
**22 Adar II – 22 Nissan 5776**

## Service Schedule

Egalitarian Friday Night Services begin at 8:00 p.m., followed by an Oneg.

Traditional Saturday morning services begin at 10:00 a.m. and are followed by a Kiddush.

### Candle Lighting Times:

April 1, 7:55 p.m.  
April 8, 8:02 p.m.  
April 15, 8:09 p.m.  
April 22, 8:16 p.m.  
April 29, 8:24 p.m.

### Dates for your Calendar:



April 1, 6:00 p.m. Children's Service

April 5, 1:30 p.m. Sisterhood Board Meeting, at the home of Heather Moskowitz

April 10 – 13  
35<sup>th</sup> Annual Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Conference

April 20, 2:30 p.m. The Jewish Connection At the home of Felice Bray

April 22, Erev Passover

*Mahrzeits*

*May their memories be for a blessing.*

M. Bass- 24 Adar II, April 3  
Hillel Kaplan – 1 Nissan, April 9  
Bessie Bosco – 2 Nissan, April 10  
Kay Savitz-Brownstein – 5 Nissan, April 13  
Tillie Schaffner Garfinkel – 5 Nissan, April 13  
Morris L. Pickus – 6 Nissan, April 14  
William Zaban – 8 Nissan, April 16  
Samuel Rostov – 9 Nissan, April 17  
Morris L. Rubenstein – 12 Nissan, April 20  
Kusiel Daniel Gordon – 15 Nissan, April 23  
Rae Goldberg – 16 Nissan, April 24  
Marvin Schreiber – 16 Nissan, April 24  
Henia Ben-Ami – 17 Nissan, April 25  
Rose F. Winski – 18 Nissan, April 26  
Allen Stinebaugh – 18 Nissan, April 26



### Refuah Schlemah

May the One who was a source of blessing for our ancestors bring blessings of healing upon Sam Harris and Iris Treager.

And may G-d hear our prayers and grant a speedy recovery to all who are ill.



To have a Happy Day card or a Memorial card sent in your name, please contact Esther Chosnek by e-mail at [erc@wolfelt.com](mailto:erc@wolfelt.com). She will promptly send your card for a minimum donation of only \$5.00. You need only contact Esther, then send your check, made payable to Sisterhood Sons of Abraham to Sisterhood Treasurer, Sonya Garfinkel, 2229 Carberry Dr., West Lafayette, IN 47906.



## The Jewish Connection

The Jewish Connection is a community-wide book discussion group that meets monthly.



The April meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 20 at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Felice Bray, 322 Hollowood Dr., West Lafayette.

The book for April is Unorthodox: The Scandalous Rejection of My Hasidic Roots\*, by Deborah Feldman. An Amazon review describes the book as follows: "The instant *New York Times* bestselling memoir of a young Jewish woman's escape from a religious sect, in the tradition of Ayaan Hirsi Ali's *Infidel* and Carolyn Jessop's *Escape*, featuring a new epilogue by the author.

"As a member of the strictly religious Satmar sect of Hasidic Judaism, Deborah Feldman grew up under a code of relentlessly enforced customs governing everything from what she could wear and to whom she could speak to what she was allowed to read. It was stolen moments spent with the empowered literary characters of Jane Austen and Louisa May Alcott that helped her to imagine an alternative way of life. Trapped as a teenager in a sexually and emotionally dysfunctional marriage to a man she barely knew, the tension between Deborah's desires and her responsibilities as a good Satmar girl grew more explosive until she gave birth at nineteen and realized that, for the sake of herself and her son, she had to escape."

It is not necessary to have read the book to attend. For additional information, please call Rose Haberer at 463-2772 or Felice Bray 463-7116.

*\*Unorthodox had originally been scheduled for March. Because of scheduling issues, this book was moved to April.*



Suggestions and information for this Bulletin are always welcome. Please contact me at [bridgejudy@aol.com](mailto:bridgejudy@aol.com). Deadlines are usually 7 days before the end of the month.

Judy Weitzman, Editor

## Thank you!

We are pleased to offer our sincere thanks to Ephraim Fischbach for the Megillah reading, and to Sam Harris for assisting Ephraim. Thanks to Sisterhood for providing hamantaschen and apple cider. And thanks to Sonya Garfinkel for setting the food out and cleaning up.

You all made Purim such a festive event.

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## Indianapolis Jewish Film Festival

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Season of the Indianapolis Jewish Film Festival features a visit by the wife of Theodore Bikel; and a Jewish Deli Cooking Contest of classic deli-like food.

The Indianapolis Jewish Film Festival presents topics that raise significant issues, touch the heart and demonstrate true heroism. The Festival begins May 12 and concludes May 21. The seven feature-length films will be shown at three locations.

Festival co-producers Stan Springer and Bob Epstein said last year's Festival drew more than 1,000 film lovers of all faiths and traditions. The Indianapolis Jewish Film Festival is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.

"Our committee, made up of members of several Indianapolis congregations and non-Jews, selected films that are entertaining and thought provoking. All of the films offer new insights into the human condition and especially the Jewish heritage and living in the Mideast," Epstein said. The Indianapolis Jewish Film Festival joins about 60 other Jewish film festivals in the US.

This year's seven films are "Broadway Musicals, a Jewish Legacy", "Theodore Bikel, In the Shoes of Sholom Aleichem", "Fill the Void", "Vita Activa", "Deli Man", "G-d's Slave" and "Nicky's Family".

For more information, go to the Festival web site: [www.indianapolisjewishfilmfestival.com](http://www.indianapolisjewishfilmfestival.com).



## Letter from Jerusalem

Several days ago, a hiker in the Eastern Galil made an historic find. Hiking clubs are very common in Israel and people consider them the opportunity to get to know our land. The middle aged woman, a cousin of my friend, Alice Weizman, saw something sparkling in the grass. Realizing that the coin could be of some historical value, she showed it to the leader of the hiking group. He, in turn, felt it should be checked, so with his phone he photographed the coin and sent it to the Israeli Antiquities Authority. Within two hours several numismatic experts arrived from Jerusalem and confirmed that this is a two thousand year old gold coin, dating from the Roman Empire, and is only the second of its kind in the world. The rare gold piece bears the bust of Augustus.

It seems to me that because of "hashgacha pratit", (HaShem's looking down on this very moment,) the hiker, Alice's cousin, has become somewhat of a heroine.

### Adar

I have written in the past about all the frivolity and joyfulness that exudes here in our country on Purim...In particular, I wrote that, because Jerusalem celebrates Purim, along with Tiveria and Acre (the walled cities) we, celebrate Purim the day after the rest of the world. One item I might cite is the fact that my doorbell rings, generally once or twice a week with people collecting for needy causes. During the month of Adar, I get a number of requests daily. I need to keep my "pushka, (tzedaka canister) handy, all the time!

### A D'var Torah

The kiddush in honor of my latest great grandchild's birth was a noteworthy event, certainly in my family. My grandson, Saadia, and his wife Devora have been living here, learning and working for the last year and a half. Well over a hundred guests attended the event, including family who had flown in from London and Montreal. Here are some excerpts from Saadia's remarks as he develops an erudite discussion on the meaning of a wise heart:

"Hearts have been on our minds a lot over the last few months., The term crops up in a number of places, for example, when Moshe is instructed to gather, 'chachmei lev' (those of wise hearts ), to assist in creating the Mishkan." "A specific comment from the Netziv is from Proverbs: a famous parable, 'The beginning of wisdom is the fear of heaven', thus the builders need to have confidence-and wisdom to achieve their holy task.

"We've identified a number of elements that are crucial to the intellectual development of children--and adults. As many of you know, our beautiful Tehillah Faiga was born with Down's Syndrome. Only in the past several decades have educators and researchers realised that these exact same essential techniques - cultivating a desire for knowledge, inspiring confidence in one's ability to achieve what seems insurmountable, and finding the techniques that allow one to uncover new skills- can allow those born with Down's Syndrome to develop their intellectual capacity and excel in mainstream settings.

"There is one aspect of the Netziv's explanation that I was seeking further clarification in - and I think the explanation lies in our little Tehilla's name. The Netziv has identified 'hacham lev:' as revering to "yiras shamayim" - fear of heaven. As emotions go, fear is rather cerebral. How is this connected to the heart specifically?

"The word, Tehilla, of course, means praise - as in the book of Tehillim, where every psalm is an eloquent expression of praise to HaShem. Looking through the Tanach, though, we find that the word, tehilla is frequently related to fear of Heaven. Rabbi Hirsch explains that that the word Tehilla is related to Yahel (a cognate with the English word, halo) which means to glow or radiate, as with the Jews following all the miracles of Egypt and splitting of the sea. We pray that all who encounter Tehilla Faiga will similarly enhance their "chochmas lev", (wisdom of the heart)--their awe of G-d's handiwork. and that Tehilla will compose her own symphony of glowing, radiant praise to Hashem as her precious life unfolds."

Shavua Tov,

Cyrelle



**Optional Extension to Petra & Eilat: July 14-17**

**The Federated Jewish Charities of Huntington, WV, a Network community, invites you to join us in experiencing Israel through a unique lens. Come see first-hand how campaign dollars are making a difference.**

**Mission Cost:** \$3,800 per person based on double occupancy

Includes 4-star hotels, tour bus and guide, entrance fees, some meals, tips and transfers\*.

Extension to Petra & Eilat: \$1,450 per person based on double occupancy.

Airfare not included. Ask about special group El Al flight from Newark.

**Highlights:**

- Explore Jerusalem's historical past and Tel Aviv's high tech future
- Attend briefings from Israeli government officials
- Welcome new immigrants from France and Ukraine
- Visit our signature programs in Dimona
- Spend a spiritual Shabbat/Havdalah in Jerusalem
- Tour Yad Vashem
- Experience the wonders of Masada

**Register here:** [jewishfederations.org/calendar/mission-to-israel](http://jewishfederations.org/calendar/mission-to-israel)

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\*Based on a minimum of 15 participants.

# 35th Annual Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Conference

April 10-13, 2016 | Purdue University Campus | [www.glhrc.org](http://www.glhrc.org) | [info@glhrc.org](mailto:info@glhrc.org)

**Sunday, April 10 - 1:00 p.m.**

## Opening Session

*Fowler Hall, Stewart Center, Purdue University*

The conference opens with memorial prayers, the lighting of the Candle of Remembrance and the Candle of Hope, the Bach Chorale Youth Chorus, the Mayors' Proclamation, and the Engel Educator Awards.

**The 2016 Rabbi Gedalyah Engel Lecturer - 2:00 p.m.**

**Daniel Mendelsohn**, *Professor of Humanities at Bard College*

Mendelsohn is an award-winning author, critic, and translator. His essays, reviews, and articles appear in many publications, including *The New Yorker*, *The New York Review of Books*, and *Harpers*. His books include the international best-seller *The Lost: A Search for Six of Six Million*, an exploration of the nature of time and memory, family and history, and an account of the author's search for the truth behind his family's tragic past in World War II.

## Lost Between Memory & History: Writing the Holocaust for the Next Generation

**Exhibit and Opening Reception - 3:00 p.m.**

*Purdue Libraries, Archives and Special Collections, HSSE 4th flr*  
A collection of personal artifacts from WWII and the Holocaust.

**Günther Jikeli**, *Assistant Professor, Indiana University - 4:15 p.m.*

Historian and sociologist of modern Europe, with particular interest in the history of antisemitism, Prof. Jikeli examines antisemitic beliefs and behaviors of individuals, groups, and governments. His recent book, *European Muslim Antisemitism*, looks into patterns of reasoning: how do people – young Muslims in this case – try to justify negative views of Jews?

## The Rise of Antisemitism in Europe Among Young Muslim Males

**Joyce Field - 7:30 p.m.**

Former vice-president for research at JewishGen for almost a decade, Field was responsible for three major projects during her tenure: the Yizkor Book Translation Project, the Holocaust Database, and the Online Worldwide Burial Registry. Her talk will focus primarily on how to use these JewishGen projects as resources for genealogical research.

## How to Conduct Jewish Genealogical Research

## Exhibits:

**Personal Artifacts from WWII and the Holocaust**

*HSSE Library, Stewart Center, Purdue University, April 10 - 30*

We honor the lives and legacies of local Holocaust survivors through this exhibit of their personal artifacts from World War II and the Holocaust. The Archives, which are open Mon.-Fri. from 10:30 AM to 4:30 PM, are on the 4th floor of the HSSE Library.

## 35 Years - A Poster Exhibit

*West Lafayette Public Library, April 8 - 29*

Selected posters covering the 35-year history of the GLHRC.

**April 11, 12, 13 - 6:45 p.m.**

## Film Series

*West Lafayette Public Library, Community room, 2nd floor*

Monday, April 11: Remembrance (Germany); co-sponsored with WLLA

Tuesday, April 12: My Italian Secret (US/Italy)

Wednesday, April 13: Aftermath (Poland)

**Monday, April 11 - 4:30-8:00 p.m.**

## Workshop for Educators

*Discovery Learning Research Center, Purdue University*

US Holocaust Memorial Museum Fellow Jon Baker and Tippecanoe School Corporation teacher Stella Schafer will lead this workshop on Jewish identity, heritage, and society's influence on perceptions. The workshop will also focus on the role of the teacher in helping students form their individual identities and will include discussion of the Displaced Persons camps at the end of the war and the survivors' return to society.

*Registration required. See website for details.*

**Wednesday, April 13 - 7:00 p.m.**

## Performance: "937"

*Directed by Stella Schafer*

*McCUTCHEON High School (Front Entrance)*

It's May 1939. Captain Gustav Schroeder pilots the SS *St. Louis* away from its home port in Hamburg, Germany. His goal: to deliver 937 Jewish refugees out of the reach of the Nazis. Yet, the passengers are denied refuge by several countries. This historical drama chronicles the perseverance of the *St. Louis's* passengers and their struggle to find freedom, safety, and even, love.

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