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Did you know?

Did you know your contribution to the UJC Annual Campaign supports HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society? HIAS has brought more than 400,000 Jews from the former Soviet Union to the United States in the 40 years since the Soviet Jewry movement began. HIAS develops lifelong relationships with the people it assists and recently launched myStory, the first Russian-English social media website, where former HIAS clients can tell their immigration stories and connect with others about their shared experiences.

Read [here](#) for more information.

One Gift, countless benefits sustains the miracle of Jewish life.

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How to Donate:

- Donate online at <http://jewishtoledo.org/donate/default.aspx>
- Contact either Allie Berns, UJC Campaign Director at 419-724-0362 or Wendy Goldstein, JCRC Director/Campaign Associate at 419-724-0360

At a Glance

Jewish Heritage Collection Feature

Shop on Main Street – This film examines the moral compromises of occupied populations in World War II that helped make possible the destruction of European Jewry. Self-interest, greed, petty animosities, indifference, and fear, as well as an ingrained tradition of antisemitism, made ordinary people accomplices in the Nazi agenda. In *The Shop on Main Street*, Tono Britko is a simple, out-of-luck carpenter in a Czech village during the occupation. His fortunes seemingly change when he is appointed Aryan Controller of a button shop owned by a Jewish widow. But Mrs. Lautmann, the frail shopowner, played by the great Yiddish actress Ida Kaminska, seems unable to understand her change of status or the irrational events of the time. The relationship that develops between the two culminates in an agonizing decision.

Arranging to borrow a DVD can be done during

- Fax your pledge cards to Barb Hager at 419-885-3207

Upcoming UJC Events

Sunday's A Funday Pool Party- Sunday, August 22 1-2:30 p.m. UJC Campus, Romanoff Patio. Free for Jewish 2nd and 3rd graders. Join Sunday's A Fun Day for our third year of programming! Come and hang out with all of your Sunday A Funday friends before school starts for an afternoon of water games and so much more! Make sure to dress to get wet and bring a towel! Don't forget to bring some spare change to donate to our giant tzedekah jar! ****Emergency Form and Code of Conduct must be on file to participate****
RSVP required by Monday, August 16. **No walk-ins will be accepted**

NOW IS THE TIME TO THINK MACCABI – SUMMER 2011! For questions about the program please contact Rene Rusgo 419-724-0365 or Rene@JewishToledo.org or Kacy Myers 419-724-0306 or KMyers@ymcatoledo.org. **JCC Maccabi Israel Experience- Basic Program Information:** Dates: July 24 – August 5, 2011, Program Fee: \$2,990**** Teen Participant Ages: 14-17 years old (as of July 31, 2011). **Sports Competitions:** Basketball (boys & girls 15u, 17u), Bowling, Table Tennis, Volleyball (girls 17u), Tennis, Soccer/7 v 7 (boys & girls 15u, 17u), Swimming. **Art Specialties:** Culinary Arts, Dance, Rock Music, Photography, Broadcast Journalism, Acting/Improv, Visual Arts, Jazz. *****The cost of \$2,990 is a minimum cost at this time and does not include local/domestic travel, uniforms, etc –this not the final price.**

Difficult Decisions: Older Adults & Financial Planning: How to Afford Long Term Care- Tuesday, August 24, 2010 14 Elul 5770 6 – 8:00 pm. A light dinner will be served. \$5.00 per person. **Reservations are required by Friday,**

business hours (9:00 am – 4:00 pm) Monday through Friday, by contacting Kelly Tilimon at 419-724-0354 or Kelly@jewishtoledo.org or Barb Hager at 419-724-0357 or Barb@jewishtoledo.org.

And at Home

Be certain that your special birthday, anniversary, or birth announcement is included in the Friday Facts. E-mail Kelly Tilimon at Kelly@JewishToledo.org or call 419-724-0354. Birthdays are listed every 5 years beginning at age 50. Anniversaries are listed every 5 years.

The United Jewish Council and its affiliated agencies extend condolences to the family of Linda Dorn. May they find comfort in remembering the love, laughter, and joy they shared.

Many happy returns to Andrew Mahler, Brian Silver, and Harold Steinberg who will be celebrating special birthdays this week.

Happy Anniversary to Sharon and Robert Kripke (35) and Ricki and Brent Rubin (35). May you have many more years of health and happiness together.

Make a contribution in honor of a Simcha or a memorial tribute. Contact Barb Hager at 419-724-0357 or Barb@JewishToledo.org.

August 20 to Barb Hager,
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BBYO BBG Free Car Wash!!! August 29th @ 12:30- 3:30, Temple Shomer Emunim Parking Lot - 6453 Sylvania Avenue. Come and help support your local BBYO BBG chapter, B'not Shalom, before, after and during the 7th Annual Helping Families Live Jewishly Summer Fun Carnival (1-2:30) B'not Shalom is a part of the Jewish Youth Organization BBYO which is a non-profit organization. **Donations are appreciated.**

Helping Families Live Jewishly 7th Annual Summer Fun Carnival Sunday, August 29 1:00 – 2:30 pm. UJC Campus –Grassy Area by the JCC Playground \$10.00 per family in advance / \$15.00 at the door. A little something for everyone young and old! Dress for fun in the sun! Brand New Inflatables, Jousting Arena, Balloons, Crafts and so much more! A great way to spend a Sunday Afternoon as a family! **RSVP and payment requested by Monday, August 23 to Barb@jewishtoledo.org or 419-724-0357.**

Need a home for the upcoming Jewish holidays? The Department of Jewish Programs and the Welcome to Jewish Toledo Initiative can help! If you would like to be placed with a family for the holiday's or are interested in hosting for the Holiday's, **please contact Sherry Majewski at sherry@JewishToledo.org or 419-724-0386. Requests must be submitted by Monday, August 30.** You will be notified of your hosting situation by Friday, September 3. ***We will do our best to accommodate all requests***

Calling all Local Authors and Illustrators – we want to showcase YOU in our “Toledo’s Own Talent” Event! The Northwest Ohio Jewish Book Fair is proud to offer our local authors and illustrators an opportunity to share with the community. **“Toledo’s Own Talent” takes place on Sunday, November 14, 2010- UJC Campus- 10:30 a.m. – noon. To be eligible you must be:** A local author/illustrator who lives in Toledo at least 50% of the year, Author/Illustrator must be Jewish or the book must be

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Jewels of Elul VI

What's a Jewel? There is a great Jewish tradition to dedicate the 29 days in the month of Elul to study and prepare for the coming high holy days. The time is supposed to challenge us to use each day as an opportunity for growth and discovery. While conceptually the notion is noble, it is clear that acting on it is a bit more challenging. The Jewels of Elul provide short stories, anecdotes, and introspections from some fascinating people to inspire you to make each day count. **To sign up to receive jewels of Elul, [click here](#) .**

Jewish in content, Book must have been published between 2005- 2010, and Author/Illustrator must be present to participate. **Presentation Information for TOT** : Each author will be given 10 -15 minutes for his/her presentation based on number of participants and Author/Illustrator is responsible for the selling his/her own books and presentation material. **What does Northwest Ohio Jewish Book Fair provide?** Author/Illustrator event will be publicized in the Northwest Ohio Jewish Book Fair publicity and Water, table for book display and selling. **How to Register for TOT: All applications must be submitted in entirety by email to Rene@JewishToledo.org no later than August 31, 2010. Please include the following information:**

- Name of author/illustrator
- Contact phone number and Email address
- Name of book
- Category
- Year published
- Cost of book
- Jpeg cover of book
- Brief description of book
- Jpeg author/illustrator picture
- Brief bio of author/illustrator

For questions, please contact René Rusgo, 419-724-0365 or Rene@JewishToledo.org.

Around Jewish Toledo

CONGREGATION ETZ CHAYIM ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC- Congregation Etz Chayim is planning its annual family picnic for **Sunday, August 15, 2010. From 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** There will be games for everyone. Come and play poker, bingo, mah jong and any other game you want to bring. There will also be activities for the children. Refreshments will be served. **From 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** a

delicious BBQ menu will be served. Foods included are: BBQ Chicken and Brisket, Hotdogs, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Pickles, Chips, Watermelon, Brownies and Drinks. The cost of the picnic is \$15.00 per person. Children ages 3-10 are \$6.00 and under 3 years old are free. Raffle tickets are also available at \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Monetary prizes will be awarded. **Please send your reservations in to the synagogue office or call for additional information.**

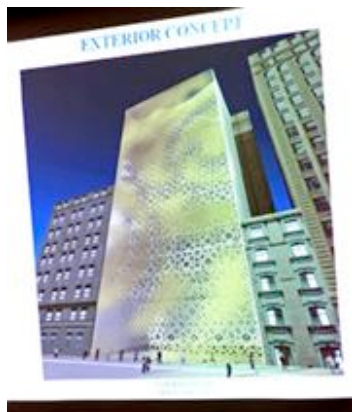
Toledo Board of Jewish Education Memo

The Toledo Board of Jewish Education Executive Committee has received notice from Dr. Bohleke, Principal of the Stone Hebrew Academy, indicating that her husband has accepted a new job out of state and that she intends to join him sometime in the future. The TBJE Executive Committee has met and is actively conducting a search.

We will keep you advised of new developments. Dr. Bohleke and the TBJE Board look forward to the opening of Stone Hebrew Academy's 2010-2011 academic year.

Andrea Delman, President
Toledo Board of Jewish Education

Around the Jewish World



CANADIAN MUSLIMS OPPOSE GROUND ZERO MOSQUE

A proposal to build a mosque at Ground Zero in New York has engendered much controversy, with Jewish groups supporting

and opposing the plan.

The most prominent Jewish group to oppose it has been the Anti-Defamation League. ADL suggested that out of sensitivity to the victims of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks on our country by Islamic terrorists, building such a mosque at the site of the attacks would be insensitive to the victims. ADL, an agency that receives funding from the Birmingham Jewish Federation Annual Campaign, has been criticized by Jews and others for its position.

Meanwhile, there was an interesting story on the Toronto Sun website Monday on the Muslim Canadian Congress also opposing the mosque. Here's an excerpt:

Canadian Muslims say building a mosque at Ground Zero is like "rubbing salt in the wound." The Muslim Canadian Congress will be meeting with the group behind the mosque Tuesday in New York City to protest the plan.

"It's important for a Muslim voice from the Muslim faith to speak out and say it's wrong to build a house of worship right across the street from the very site where people of part of the same faith killed New Yorkers," said Raheel Raza, a member of the Muslim Canadian Congress. "It's not what I call tolerance."

"Many Muslims suspect the idea behind building the mosque at Ground Zero is meant to be a deliberate provocation to thumb our noses at the infidel. We believe the proposal has been made in bad faith and, in Islamic parlance, is creating 'fitna', meaning 'mischief-making', an act clearly forbidden in the Qur'an," Raza said, adding there are already 30 mosques in New York City.

Drawing above is a rendering of the proposed Ground Zero mosque. (From NY Daily News)

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JCRC Tidbits

JFNA Update: Israel Government Decision on Children of Foreign Workers

The Israeli government recently took a decision authorizing the deportation of 400 children of foreign

workers under the age of five, while letting 800 older children and their families stay.

The children in question are the offspring of foreign workers. Many have lived in the country for many years (even most of their lives) and consider themselves to be Israeli, but their legal status is in doubt. As a result, an inter-ministerial committee was formed to decide their fate.

The committee's decision came 11 months after PM Netanyahu originally called to delay the families' expulsion orders. During the ensuing period, a public campaign, led by worker's rights groups, called on the government to let the children remain in Israel, while the inter-ministerial committee drew up its recommendations.

The driving force behind the campaign to allow the children to stay was the Hotline for Migrant Workers, (www.hotline.org.il). Other major players included Shatil and the New Israel Fund. In addition, many of the organizations that focus on worker's rights issues or human trafficking and refugee related issues also became involved. The Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI), Kav L'Oved and UNICEF were also active.

Importantly, the LA Federation has been somewhat involved in this issue beginning last October as a result of the fact that they are major donors to the Bialik-Rogozin School where 300 of the foreign-workers' children learn. The Federation has given the school \$100,000 per year over the last five years. While not directly involved in the public debate, the Federation has been working closely with the specific children involved and is certainly concerned for their welfare and future.

JDC has also had some involvement with these children. As part of the organization's focus on vulnerable populations, the JDC had expanded the Gamla Program to include tutoring and mentoring some of the children of foreign workers. JDC has also been working with the Tel Aviv Municipality's Mesila Division. Specifically, they have been working with the unofficial kindergartens in the city that cater to the children of foreign workers. In

what is known as the "Babysitter Program," JDC and Mesila have been providing significant training to the unofficial and unqualified "teachers" at these centers.

The Government's inter-ministerial committee finally recommended that children who meet five criteria would be allowed to remain in Israel together with their parents: The five criteria insisted that the child:

- studied during the past year in Israel's state school system;
- is enlisted for the upcoming school year in the first grade or higher;
- has lived for five consecutive years or more in Israel;
- arrived before the age of 13 or was born in the country;
- must be a Hebrew speaker, whose parents have entered Israel on a legally valid visa.

Those who meet the criteria have 21 days in which to file formal applications to stay from the day the cabinet's decision is published formally. Those who cannot complete the application process in time will be given an additional 21- day extension to finish it. All applications must include original or notarized birth certificates, the parent's passports, registration permits from the education system and other official documents.

The parents and siblings of the children who are allowed to stay will also be granted temporary residency permits. Barring any new developments, the child's family's permits will be renewed annually until their child turns 21, at which point the other family members may request permanent resident status.

Applicants who do not meet the criteria will be required to leave Israel within 30 days of the formal publication of the regulations, or the day their application was denied.

The government decided to ease the committee's recommended conditions by adding a clause stating that the interior minister would be obliged to consult the inter-ministerial committee on borderline cases.

Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said the decision to let a majority of the 1,200 children stay struck a balance between the values of Zionism on one hand and humanistic values on the other. "It calls for allowing those children who have largely become Israelis, who are

here, have been educated here, have studied Hebrew and whose identity has already been formed, to stay here," he said in an announcement after the cabinet vote.

"On the other hand, it avoids creating an incentive lest hundreds of thousands of labor migrants, over 500,000, flood the country. We are committed to resolving this sensitive issue in a considered and balanced way, even if it may not jibe with momentary fluctuations of public opinion," said Netanyahu.

The decision to adopt the committee's recommendations was finally passed last week by a close cabinet vote of 13-10. The 13 ministers who backed the proposal included Netanyahu, Silvan Shalom, Moshe Kahlon, Avigdor Lieberman, Stas Misezhnikov, Sofa Landver, Yitzhak Aharonovitch, Benny Begin, Yaakov Ne'eman and Avishay Braverman. Ten ministers voted against it - including Gideon Sa'ar, Dan Meridor, Michael Eitan, Binyamin Ben-Eliezer, Shalom Shimhon and all Shas ministers. Four ministers abstained: Isaac Herzog, Limor Livnat, Gilad Erdan and Uzi Landau.

This is the second time that the government approved a special status for children of foreign workers. A similar decision was passed by the cabinet in 2005.

Although the Knesset is not currently in session, the opposition Kadima and Meretz factions have pushed for a "special session" of the plenary that will take place next week in order to debate this decision as well as one other issue. The session is unlikely to change the policy, but will be an opportunity for the opposition to criticize the government's policy in this area.

During the debate, Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer (Labor) shouted, "This isn't the Jewish state I know, expelling children out of it....This is not the right time for the world to see the State of Israel deporting 400 children. We must set clear rules, from now onwards."

According to Labor and Social Welfare Minister Yitzchak Herzog, "The government's decision last Sunday to allow hundreds of children of foreign workers to stay in Israel is reasonable. It might not be a perfect decision and it might not be the most humanitarian one, but it is what could be achieved at this time."

Defense Minister Barak later commented, “The State of Israel cannot expel hundreds of children. It is not Jewish or humane and will scar the entire Israeli society...I plan on suggesting that the prime minister adopt and implement the decisions of the intergovernmental committee regarding the foreign worker children in Israel only in the future, and to allow the 1,200 children to remain in Israel.”



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