

Sharansky at
IU and HHAI



Acclaimed author and human rights activist Natan Sharansky will speak on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict on Nov. 12, in Bloomington, 8:00 p.m. at Whittenberger Auditorium, Indiana Memorial Union. Call 812-355-0453 or go to www.indiana.edu/~jsp/calendar.htm.

He will speak at Hasten Hebrew Academy. See ad, page IN 11.

2 JCC Execs Receive United Way Grants

JCC Executive Director Ira Jaffee and JCC Associate Director Judy Sosin were 2 of 29 recipients of the United Way of Central Indiana Human Services Professional Renewal Grant. This United Way grant was created to provide hard-working, dedicated human services professionals with an opportunity to regenerate and reinvigorate themselves so that they might bring fresh ideas and energy to the human care business. Award recipients design their own personal or professional renewal program and then share their experiences with one another in a follow-up seminar.

Ira Jaffee, executive director of the Arthur M. Glick JCC, has devoted 30 years of his professional career to the JCC's mission of enriching the lives of community members regardless of religious affiliation or financial means. In 1977 he joined the JCC program staff as the youth director and then was promoted to associate



Judy Sosin



Ira Jaffee

director in 1982. He has served as executive director since 1984.

Associate Director Judy Sosin also has a long and committed tenure with the JCC. Ms. Sosin joined the staff in 1978 as the parttime bulletin editor and moved into increasingly more managerial roles. In 1982 Ms. Sosin was promoted to director of membership and public relations. In 1990 she became assistant executive director, and in 2004 became associate director.

Statewide community relations conference

By Matthew Silver

State Representative David Orentlicher met in a Q & A session with members of the statewide Jewish Community Relations Council in early October. He spoke

to the status of specific legislation and offered insights into the workings of the legislature, and said there are not a lot of politically feasible options for raising additional state funds

to cover expenses.

Other Jewish leaders attending the JCRC meeting included Stephen Tallackson, Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana; Eve Perlstein,

JCRC; David Sanders, Jewish Federation of Lafayette; Jodie Doehrman, JCRC; Rabbi Dennis Sasso, Beth-El Zedeck; David Sklar, JCRC; Rabbi Stan Halperin, Temple Israel, Gary,

Ind.; Michael Steinberg, director of Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana; and Marcia Goldstone, director of JCRC.

Representing Indiana's 86th District since 2002, Orentlicher noted that other states that have tried to impose sales tax on services—lawn care, home and auto repairs, instruction, accounting, legal and medical services, etc.—have not fared well, even though such a tax in Indiana would raise \$1.5 billion.

"The polls tell us that people do not respond favorably if you offer to raise one tax and lower another. I am the only legislator who proposed raising sales and income taxes 1% in order to reduce property taxes," said Orentlicher. But then it would come out in a flyer (in the next election), not that David

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Rep. David Orentlicher spoke with members of the Jewish community at a meeting sponsored by the JCRC. Attendees included (l to r) Marcia Goldstone, JCRC director; Rep. David Orentlicher; Stephen Tallackson, Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana; and Eve Perlstein, JCRC.



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Community Events

Make-A-Difference Day

In honor of Make-a-Difference Day, a nationwide community service day of caring, the JCCUA will be helping those less fortunate in our town by sorting pallets of donated food and non-edible items at Gleaners Food Bank on Mon., Oct. 29 from 5:30–7:30 p.m. with an optional group dinner to follow (location TBD). At least 10 good-hearted Jewish unattached adults are needed to volunteer for this community service project. RSVP to Michael Holub at 218-3386 or by e-mail at mrholub@juno.com. Gleaners Food Bank is located at 1102 E. 16th St., between College Avenue and Andrew Brown Blvd.

Open Mic Night

Fri, Nov. 30, 7:30–10:30 p.m., Books a Million, 5750 W. 86th St. Come with your poetry or song or instrument or rap. Or come to enjoy others. All ages welcome.

God's Echo

Explore the Bible through Midrash, a 2,000-year-old method of interpreting the Bible for relevancy to modern times and concerns. Rabbi Sandy Sasso of Congregation Beth-El Zedeck will lead this study at Congregation Beth-El Zedeck. Purchase textbook at the first class. Sun., Nov. 4 and 18 (2 sessions), 10:30 a.m. to noon; free; registration required. For more information, call 251-9437 or go to www.JCCindy.org.

Spirit and Place Festival

Authors, artists, ensembles, scholars, musicians, poets, community leaders, researchers, storytellers, and more will illuminate what Living Generously means during Indianapolis's annual one-of-kind civic celebration. Choose from over 71 events for all ages between November 2 and 18. For a complete schedule, go to www.spiritandplace.org.

What was Picasso thinking?

View and discuss the highlights of art and architecture periods from antiquity through the modern era. Learn to understand symbolism and get on the inside of artists' jokes. Paul North, instructor at Ivy Tech Community College and Indiana Wesleyan University's Adult Studies program, will lead this class and take the group on a guided tour at the Indianapolis Museum of Art for the final class. Tuesdays, Nov. 6 – Dec. 18 (6 sessions; no class December 4), 7–8:30 p.m., at Arthur M. Glick JCC; \$36 JCC members / \$54 nonmembers. For more information, call 251-9437 or go to www.JCCindy.org.

Three Faiths / One Voice

Wed., Nov. 7, 7:30 p.m., at Congregation Beth-El Zedeck, 600 W. 70th St. A musical program honoring Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, with world-reknown musicians Maria Krupoves and Gerard Edery. Co-sponsored by Beth-El, Christ Church Cathedral, and St. Luke's United Methodist Church as part of Spirit and Place Festival. No charge.

Rick Recht at Beth-El

On Fri., Nov. 9, Beth-El offers the first Synaplex of the fall. Singer and guitarist Rick Recht will enliven this Friday night service. For more information, call Beth-El at 253-3441.

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IJHS annual meeting

The Indiana Jewish Historical Society will be hosting its 2007 Annual Meeting and Brunch on Sun., Oct. 28, 12 noon, at the Broadmoor Country Club, 2155 Kessler Blvd. W. Dr. in Indianapolis.



Judah M. Cohen

Guest speakers will be Judah M. Cohen, the Lou and Sybil Mervis Professor of Jewish Culture and assistant professor of Folklore and Ethnomusicology at Indiana University. He has written and published essays on numerous aspects of music in Jewish life, including cantorial music, the synagogue modes, Reform Jewish songleading, and Jewish hip-hop. Professor Cohen is completing a book on the meaning and process of becoming a cantor in 21st-century America. His topic will be "Reinventing Jewish Worship Music: Summer Camp to Synagogue." Musical examples will be included. Professor Cohen's program will follow the brunch and is free and open to the public.

Cantor Janice Roger of Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation will give the closing remarks. She will also discuss her current project of collecting information about the history of the music program at Goldman Union Camp Institute.

The dairy brunch is \$20 and reservations are required. To RSVP or for more information contact the IJHS office at 260-459-6862 or indiana.jhs@verizon.net.

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The Prayers of the Jewish Service

Rabbi Bienstock will share the meaning of the three most

important prayers of the Jewish service in three sessions on Oct. 28, Nov. 11, and Dec. 2. Sessions are from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. and coincide with religious school. Oct. 28: The Meaning of the Shema. Nov. 11: The Meaning of the Amidah. Dec. 2: The Meaning of the Aleinu. Cost for three sessions \$18 and supports Congregation Shaarey Tefilla's religious education programs. To enroll, call S. Anne Burcham, CST administrator at 253-4591. Deadline for enrollment is October 25, 2007.

B'nai Mitzvah class

Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation's next b'nai mitzvah class starts Nov. 4, 10:00–11:30 a.m. The curriculum will focus on Jewish texts, as well as Hebrew language instruction and in-depth instruction on prayer. Basic Hebrew reading skills are required. Participation in the class will culminate with a b'nai mitzvah celebration during Shabbat evening service May 30. Instructor: Rabbi Adland Fee: \$200. For more information, call IHC at 255-6647.

Sharsheret Parlor Meeting

A diagnosis of breast cancer can be overwhelming for any woman. For a Jewish woman, its grip may extend to family, community, dating, marriage, parenting and religious life. Though you may confront many of the same issues as other women facing breast cancer, it can feel like a lonely journey. You are not alone.

Sharsheret is a national organization of Jewish breast cancer survivors. Hebrew for "chain," Sharsheret pairs those facing breast cancer and its aftermath with volunteers who can share their experiences. Since the organization's founding in 2001, Sharsheret has received thousands of phone calls from those affected by breast cancer.

If you are a cancer survivor, one undergoing treatment, a health care professional, a member of Jewish organizations, or someone else interested in learning more about the important services Sharsheret provides – this is for you.

Please join us for a parlor meeting as a national representative of Sharsheret will share with us how we can build the chain of comfort and support for Jewish women with breast cancer in the Indianapolis area.

Parlor meeting, Sun., Nov. 4, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. at the home of Etelka Froymovich. There is no charge but reservations are preferred. To get directions, make a reservation or for any questions, contact Julie Sondhelm at 259-6822, ext. 6



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Conference

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Orentlicher has proposed cutting your property taxes, but that David Orentlicher has proposed raising taxes \$2.1 billion, the amount that would be raised. Any tax increase, especially in an election year, makes public officials nervous, he added.

The state already pays 85% of school operating expenses, which do not vary much. To move any more of that cost to the state in order to cut property taxes would be difficult, though it might be possible to move to the state the costs of new construction and renovation, expenses that do vary, he noted.

On a health-related issue, Orentlicher said if the state adds a 61 cent tax to each pack of cigarettes, smoking will decrease, but revenues will still increase. However, if the federal government adds taxes to cigarettes to pay for the S-CHIP health program for kids, smoking will decrease, and state revenues will therefore decline because that increase will go to the federal government.

It's an election year, and that produces wedge issues. Legislation to amend the state constitution forbidding people of the same sex to legally marry will be bandied about by the Republicans again. Orentlicher pointed out that only 5 out of 10,000 businesses in the state have openly opposed the amendment. The democratic leadership has said they need more support from other businesses and institutions in order to block passage.

On consumer protection issues, Orentlicher said: "When you buy an existing home, you know what the property taxes are going to be; if you buy a new home, you don't know what they will be, making it hard to budget for that amount," he said. "So there was a bill to require disclosure by the builder with the expected property tax..." but it was blocked by the home-builders association.

Similarly, if you remodel your home, you pay the contractor, but if he stiffes the subcontractor, the subcontractor can put a lien on your home. "I put together a bill requiring the contractor to disclose this possibility to the homeowner," said Orentlicher, "but it went nowhere as well... You can get



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a waiver from the contractor, but how many people even know they may be at risk?"

On the high rate of foreclosures in Indiana, Orentlicher said we are near the top in terms of percentage of home ownership, and we got there because risky loans were sometimes made. That can produce more foreclosures.

He said the legislature operates on the basis of relationships among the legislators, as much as on the merits of a bill. "I've seen legislators vote against a bill merely because they did not like the author of the legislation," he noted.

A graduate of Harvard's medical and law schools,

Orentlicher is co-director of the Center for Law and Health at IU School of Law, teaches bioethics at the IU School of Medicine, and is an ethics consultant to several area hospitals. A nationally recognized expert in medical ethics with numerous articles in medical and legal journals, he originally worked for the American Medical Association where he put together their first ever Patients' Bill of Rights. His legislative efforts and volunteer activities speak loudly of his concern for building a strong community. He and his wife, Judy, and their two children belong to Congregation Beth-El Zedeck.

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Sun., Feb. 3, the JCC Indoor Triathlon will host athletes 13 and older in an all-day swim/bike/run competition. Fee: \$25 for entries received by Jan. 31 or \$30 after Jan. 31. Registration for the triathlon has already begun, and spots are limited. Forms are available online at www.JCCindy.org or can be picked up at the JCC. Call Whitney Diggs, 251-9467, ext. 238 for more information or to receive registration info by mail.

Pizza and Politics

On Wed., Nov. 14, at the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation, 6501 N. Meridian, there will be an opportunity to meet and speak with your Indiana General Assembly legislators. Pizza and legislative briefing at 6 p.m.; Q&A at 6:45. Bring your questions and concerns about education, health care, separation of church and state, and social services. This event is cosponsored by the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation, Congregation Beth-El Zedeck, and the Jewish Community Relations Council.

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Sun, Oct. 28, 4 pm
HEIDI SMITH HYDE
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Hot topic: our health care system.
Mon, Oct. 29, 7:30 pm
JONATHAN COHN
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Allisyn Paino studied in New York with Ali Pourfarrokh and one of the Kirov Ballet's prima ballerinas, Kaleria Fedicheva. Paino has performed many principal and soloist roles with the Fedicheva Ballet Company, The Indianapolis Opera and Butler Ballet. In addition, she toured to Russia where she danced with the Rimsky-Korsakov Company in St. Petersburg. She graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of fine arts from Butler University. Since joining Ballet Austin, Paino has performed works by many choreographers including Stephen Mills, George Balanchine, David Parsons, Peter Pucci, Dwight Rhoden, Thaddeus Davis and Gina Patterson. She has danced the role of the Cowgirl in Agnes DeMille's *Rodeo* and the role of Suzuki in David Nixon's *Butterfly*. Paino was the recipient of the Best Female Dance Performance Award in the 10th Annual Austin (Texas) Critics Table Awards for her role of The Chosen One in Stephen Mills' *The Rite of Spring*. She has danced the title role of Kate in Mills' world premiere of *The Taming of the Shrew* as well as the role of the survivor in the world premiere of Mills' award winning *Light/The Holocaust & Humanity Project*. Paino has toured with Ballet Austin to New York, Washington D.C., Montreal, Slovenia and Italy.



Originally from Lafayette, Ind., Cathy Long trained with Butler alumna Sandra Peticolas at the Lafayette Ballet School and Company. After graduating cum laude from Butler University in 2000, she joined San Diego Ballet in California and taught in the Arts Program at Chula Vista High School. In 2003, Cathy moved to Las Vegas, to join the cast of *Jubilee!* and joined Nevada Ballet Theatre in 2004. This is her fourth season with the company, where she currently dances as a soloist. Some of her favorite roles include Odette in *Swan Lake*, Dracula's Wives in *Dracula*, and five couples in Balanchine's *Who Cares?* She is very excited to be performing again at her alma mater.



Some of Butler Ballet's most talented and successful alumni return to campus Nov. 10 to perform Stars of the Ballet, the first show in the company's "A Season of Greatness." The "Stars" performance is on Sat., Nov. 10, 2007 at 8 p.m., at Clowes Memorial Hall on the campus of Butler University. Tickets for Stars of the Ballet and the other shows in Butler's season are \$21.50 - \$28.50 for adults, \$17 - \$23 for children, students and seniors, and \$14 each for groups of 15 or more. On sale at the Clowes Memorial Hall box office and Ticketmaster at 317-239-5151. For general information, call the Clowes Memorial Hall box office at 317-940-6444

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Creating a Climate of Generosity: A Community Conversation

Sunday, November 18, 2:00 P.M.
Atherton Union, Butler University

How can we work together to cultivate a spirit of generosity within and across the private, public, and charitable sectors? Butler University President Bobby Fong will moderate the festival's first-ever closing conversation with local leaders.
> Free admission.



Bobby Fong

Not Your Ordinary Montana Logging and Ballet Company

Sunday, November 18, 7:30 P.M.
St. Luke's United Methodist Church

This Closing Night Celebration for Spirit & Place offers an hilarious examination of generosity featuring the original music and satirical humor of the innovative performing troupe, Montana Logging and Ballet Company.

> Tickets are \$15 and proceeds benefit the Mar Elias Educational Institutions in Ibillin, Israel.



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Obituaries

Bernice "Bunny" Silver, 87

Bunny Silver, of Indianapolis, died Oct. 11, 2007. Bernice was the bookkeeper for the family-owned Log Cabin Restaurant at 38th and Keystone from 1946 to 1971. She had also worked at the Meadows Motel and Gallows Picture Framing. Bernice was a member of Congregation Beth-El Zedeck and Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation. She also was a member of the City of Hope.

Bernice was preceded in death by her husband, Bernard Silver. She is survived by her daughter, Marleen (Bruce) Signer; two sons, Michael (Vicki) Silver and Melvin Silver; sister, Miriam (Gordon) Klasky; and two grandchildren, Aaron Signer and Rachel Signer. Funeral services were held at Aaron-Ruben-Nelson Mortuary on Mon., Oct. 15. Burial followed in Beth-El Zedeck North Cemetery. Contributions can be made to the National Kidney Foundation or the Hooverwood Guild.

Lisa Aberson

Lisa (1947-2007), a woman of piercing intellect, artistic spirit and passionate convictions, died at the age of sixty on the morning of Thurs., Oct. 11.

She was a loving mother, committed sister and daughter, and generous aunt. Lisa was both a nonconformist and a woman of refined vitality. She had a voracious appetite for books, films, travel, sensory experiences, and ideas. She also possessed a charisma that lingers beyond her untimely death. She lived in Indiana all of her life, the younger daughter of Doris and Roy Aberson (both now deceased).

Lisa graduated from Shortridge High School in 1965 and attended Indiana University. She worked for over 30 years for Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield. She was a member of MENSA and a gardener. She found her greatest joy in parenting Isaac Kantor, her beloved son who survives her. She will also be kept in loving memory by her sister, Toni Aberson; her niece and nephews, May and Eric Roth and Ben Hammer; and by her many friends and family, who found her charisma and courage a life force they shall remember always. A public calling was held at Aaron-Ruben-Nelson Mortuary on Tues., Oct. 16, followed by a memorial service on Wed., Oct. 17. Donations may be made in her memory to Heifer International.

Larry Selig, 60

Larry Selig, of Indianapolis, died Oct. 12, 2007 in Czechoslovakia where he had been traveling with his wife. Larry graduated from North Central High School in 1965 and Indiana University in 1969. He owned Lyric News and Record Shop, his family business, until its sale in 1986. His two great loves were traveling and music.

Larry was a member and past master of Monument Lodge #657, a member of the Scottish Rite, a member of the Murat Shrine and Rotary. Larry was also Murat Shrine Circus director and head of novelty sales for the Shrine at the Indiana State Fair. He was

Spirit & Place Festival – How it came to be

Spirit & Place grew out of a project conducted by The Polis Center in the 1990s that examined the relationship between religious practices and urban life. The notion of place shaping identity emerged when Indiana natives Kurt Vonnegut and Dan Wakefield, along with John Updike, were invited to speak at Clowes Memorial Hall in 1996 through a collaboration with Butler University. Engaged in a "public conversation" rather than a keynote speech, this lively presentation was augmented with literary readings and discussions

for the Spirit & Place Festival.

Now celebrating its 12th year, the Spirit & Place Festival is an extensive civic celebration that engages over 25,000 people throughout central Indiana in scores of programs presented by over 150 organizations. Their mission is to engage the arts, humanities, and religion in collaborative action to promote civic engagement, respect for diversity, thoughtful reflection, public imagination, and enduring change in the communities where we live.

Spirit & Place, which received the 1999 Cultural Vision Award and the 2001 Indiana Advancement Award, provides vital space

for community reflection and action around the values that define us.

The belief statements guiding the work of Spirit & Place include the following:

We believe that the arts, humanities, and religion awaken the spirit and exalt the sacred, sustain our intellectual and cultural inheritance, inspire imagination and creativity, and shape our communities.

We believe that understanding and sharing each community's interlinked narrative (historical, cultural, environmental, economic, and spiritual) creates a sense of place that binds and builds both our personal and collective lives.

We believe that a healthy community respects and values the traditions, convictions, and contributions of diverse ethnic, religious, and cultural groups.

We believe that working together enhances creativity, strengthens capacity, creates new opportunities for discovery, and multiplies community impact.

We believe that building bridges and fostering collaboration between diverse disciplines, traditions, ideas, and cultures requires thoughtful intention.

We believe in the power of imagination, and trust the ability of our communities to develop creative solutions to the challenges that face us.

We believe in doing our best at all times, and we seek continuous improvement.

We believe that ideas, programs, and resources should be available and accessible to all community members.

We believe in the efficient and effective use of our resources, and we are accountable for our actions.

also a past member and Board Member of Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation and a board member of Shriner's Childrens Hospital in Lexington, Ky., and Chicago, Ill.

Larry is survived by his loving wife, Adrian Rosenfield Selig; his sons, Gary Selig of Carmel and Ira Selig of New York; mother-in-law Phyllis Rosenfield of Munster; sister-in-law, Leslie Johnston of Florida; and niece, Sarah Johnston of Florida.

Visitation was held on Fri., Oct. 19, 2007 at Aaron-Ruben-Nelson Mortuary. Masonic services began at 1:30 and funeral services followed all at the mortuary. Burial was held in the Indianapolis Hebrew Cemetery South. Contributions can be made to the Shriner's Childrens Hospital.

Harold Bortz, 73

Harold Bortz, born in Indianapolis to Solomon and Molly Bortz, died Oct. 18, 2007.



He served his country honorably in the U.S. Air Force. An entrepreneur, he co-owned Hoot Liquors for 29 years at 22nd and Illinois until he retired in 1997. Harold was a member of Congregation Beth-El Zedeck and the American Legion.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Beverly Rabin Bortz. Harold is survived by his wife, Eddy Lynn Shorr Bortz; children, Paula (MaryAnn), Martin (Kimberly), and Barry (Deanne) Bortz of Indianapolis; three grandchildren; one great grandchild; three step children, Barry (Jessica), Eric (Miriam), and David (Arlene) Kaseff; and seven step grandchildren. Harold is also survived by his beloved dog Rusty. Funeral services were held at the Aaron-Ruben-Nelson Mortuary on Sun., Oct. 21. Burial followed in the Beth-El Zedeck North Cemetery. Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

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Wondrous Oblivion, a 2006 British film by director Paul Morrison: running time: 106 min. Sat., Nov. 3, 7:30 p.m. in JCC Laikin Auditorium.

Recipient of the Audience Award for Best Feature Film at the Boston Jewish Film Festival. Eleven-year-old David Wiseman lives with the singular dream of being a cricket star. David's traditional Jewish family, living in 1960s South London, is shaken by the unexpected arrival of new neighbors, a lively and big-hearted Jamaican family. When Dennis Samuels (Delroy Lindo, *The Cider House Rules*) erects a cricket net in his backyard, David is ecstatic. However, David's enthusiasm is not shared by all in his racially-charged community and the Wisemans find themselves forced to choose between aligning with the prejudices of the neighborhood and sticking by their new-found friends. Directed by Academy Award® nominee Paul Morrison, **WONDROUS OBLIVION** is a warm-hearted, coming-of-age story – a portrait of the importance of

family, tolerance and standing up for what is right. Sponsored by Fifth Third Bank.

Autumn Sun, a 1996 film by Argentine director Eduardo Mignogna, 1996, running time: 108 min.: (Spanish with English subtitles): Tues., Nov. 6, 7 p.m. in JCC Laikin Auditorium.

Clara's conservative Jewish brother is coming to visit from America. He thinks she is engaged to a Jewish man. Clara is a Buenos Aires woman in her fifties desperately looking for a Jewish fiancé. "She places an ad seeking a Jewish companion. She gets a response from Saul, but he turns out to be Raúl and he's actually not Jewish. He wants a true love to share his lonely life, but when Clara discovers his deception, she sends him packing. Alas, her brother is on the way and a lack of response to her ad forces her to call him back. While Clara tutors Raúl on how to be a Jew, he insists on a real courtship. In the end, Clara must choose between her comfortable solitude and the risk of new romance. A program of the Indiana Film Society.

The Collector of Bedford Street, Thurs., Nov. 8, 7:30 p.m. in Laikin Auditorium

A developmentally disabled man spends his life giving to his community. When he finds himself in a vulnerable financial situation, his neighbors give back. *The Collector of Bedford Street* is the story of Larry Selman, who has spent much of his adult life collecting funds for charities. Larry's parents died when he was young and his only living relative was frail and elderly when he found himself in increasingly dire financial straits and feared becoming homeless. His neighborhood association responded by setting up a trust fund and services so that Larry was able to stay in his apartment and continue to live independently. Larry gave to his community, his community gave back and he gained a new family in the process. Sponsored by the Indiana Governor's Council for People With Disabilities and Fifth Third Bank. A program of the 2007 Spirit & Place Festival

PNAI families meet to close 2007

The Indianapolis Chapter of Parents of North American (PNAI) Israelis, Inc., will meet Sun., Nov. 18, 2007 at the JCC David Cook Federation Board Room, 12 noon – 2:30 p.m. All current members and new families wanting to join are invited to join the pitch-in dairy buffet. PNAI is dedicated to keeping open hagesher, the bridge, that joins us with our families in Israel. The co-presi-

dents will speak about how to make PNAI meetings more interesting, informative, and enjoyable, about PNAI members' recent visits to Israel, and about PNAI members' Israeli and local family happenings and events. A treasurer's report will be given. And elections of new officers will take place. RSVP to Sylvia and/or Mike Blain at 251-1914 (call in afternoons/evenings).

Welcome Shaarey Tefilla!

University High School warmly welcomes our newest neighbor, Congregation Shaarey Tefilla, the first synagogue in Carmel. Congratulations to Rabbi Bienstock and the congregation on your new beautiful home. We extend an

invitation to the congregation and greater community to visit our school and attend our open house scheduled on Sun., Nov. 4, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. For more information about University High School, call 733-5575.

Volunteers needed for "Habitat" House

The House of Abraham is an interfaith partnership who join together to build a Habitat for Humanity house. This is the second interfaith build in our city. Volunteers are needed for Sun., Oct. 28 and Fri., Nov.

9 from 7:30 – 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 – 4:00 p.m. You must be 16 years or older and preregister in order to help. Contact Shari Levine at Beth-El Zedeck at 253-3441 for more information and to register.

Events

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Hanukaffair and Bazaar

Sun., Nov. 18, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Beth-El Zedeck features a bazaar with entertainment, food, activities, and vendors from around the state. No charge.

BJE Maurer Library's Scholastic Book Fair

Books for all ages of children! The Bureau of Jewish Education Library invites the community to the Scholastic Book Fair, Nov. 26–30, 9:00 to 5:30 (except Friday when the book sale will close at 4:00) at 6711 Hoover Rd. In the past, the library has successfully raised money through Scholastic book sales. In addition to receiving a portion of the proceeds from the fair, Scholastic will donate books to the library. For more information about Maurer Library and its services contact the librarian: Natasha Solomon at library@bjcindy.org or 317-255-3124 ext.328.

Soy Candle Making

Learn how to make hand-poured and clean-burning jar candles. Take home one 4-oz. and two 8-oz. jar candles. A \$10 supply fee is due to the instructor at the beginning of class. Wed., Nov. 28, 6–8:30 p.m., at Arthur M. Glick JCC; \$22 JCC members / \$32 nonmembers. For more information, call 251-9437 or go to www.JCCindy.org.

Texas Hold'em Tournament

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