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Midwest Chabad conference in Munster, Ind on Aug. 3rd. See story on page IN 2. Photo submitted by Avrohom Grossbaum.

JFGI annual recognition dinner



On Sun., July, 27 the Endowment Department of the Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis held its annual Endowment Recognition Dinner at The Marott. This was to honor those who have given so much: Star of

David Society members, L'Dor V'Dor Society members, Lion of Judah Endowment (LOJE), Golden Givers, and Perpetual Annual Campaign Endowment (PACE).

Amy Hirshberg Lederman, nationally syndicated columnist and book author, was the guest speaker. Her interesting

and thought-provoking topic was "Everyone Has a Story to Tell." The healthy and delicious California-style kosher dinner was catered by Great Cooks & Company.



Pictured from left to right: Mike and Sylvia Blain; Martha Karatz, Dr. David Orentlichter and Judy Failer; Harry and Leah Traugott; Michael Papo, JFGI executive vice president and Amy Hirshberg Lederman, guest speaker.



Panel of senior Chabad rabbis addressing the conference. Photo by Avi Grossbaum.

Chabad Midwest meets in Northern Indiana

Nearly 60 Chabad rabbis from six Midwestern states gathered last Sunday, Aug. 3, in Munster, Ind., for their annual regional conference. Indiana had been chosen as the host state and the northwest corner of the state selected for its central location.

The day-long conference was held at the Northwest Indiana Jewish Federation Community Building, with Rabbi Eliezer Zalmanov of Chabad of Northwest Indiana and Rabbi Avrohom Grossbaum of Lubavitch of Indiana coordinating the program.

The conference's location generally rotates from state to state, and the last time it was Indiana's turn, the chosen loca-

tion was Bloomington.

Greetings were presented by representatives of Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin, as well as by Rabbi Moshe Kotlarsky, representing Chabad's central office in New York. Rabbi Kotlarsky is also the coordinator of the International Conference of Chabad Emissaries, which is held every fall in Brooklyn, NY. "The regional conference is a valuable resource in updating us on the latest innovative programs and materials for our work, from teaching Torah to helping people combating addictions" said Rabbi Grossbaum, director of Lubavitch for the state of Indiana, "it allows us to be more effective in our communities."

Class for non-Jews raising Jewish children

The Mothers Circle provides FREE education and support for women of other faith traditions who are raising Jewish children. A new class is forming in Indianapolis to begin this fall. Classes will meet approximately twice a month and will focus on Jewish rituals, ethics, and the how-to's of creating a Jewish home. Come be a part of this warm and nurturing environment and feel empowered to take on the responsibility of raising children in Judaism.

The free course is held at the Arthur M. Glick JCC and

is made possible through the generous support of the Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis and David and Betty Klapper. It is overseen by a steering committee with representatives from the Bureau of Jewish Education, Congregation Beth-El Zedeck, Congregation Shaarey Tefilla, Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation and the JCC Indianapolis.

For more information, please contact Patti Freeman Dorson, Mothers Circle Facilitator, at themotherscircle@comcast.net or 317-251-9467, x323, or visit www.MothersCircle.org.

A look at our economy with Morton Marcus

Director emeritus of the Indiana Business Research Center at IU's Kelley School of Business Morton Marcus will teach a 4-session class free of charge at the Arthur M. Glick JCC, at 6701 Hoover Rd., Indianapolis.

The class, "Economics: The Story Behind the Headlines," is offered by the JCC's Adult Continuing Education program, Katz ACE, and is open to the community. Two times are available for each session so that individuals available during the day and working people both will be able to attend. While the class

is free, registration is required by visiting www.JCCindy.org, calling 251-9467, or stopping by the JCC. Thursdays, Sept. 4-25, 1-2 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Marcus is a dynamic, engaging speaker. Widely known for his informative yet humorous talks on timely subjects, he will take participants behind the news headlines and through the quagmire of what is really happening in our economy during this critical election year. For more information about Morton Marcus, visit www.ibrc.indiana.edu/who_we_are/marcus.asp.

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Fall 2008 IU Borns Jewish Studies Events

Cardinal Stage production of *The Diary of Anne Frank*

Sept. 12-28, 7:30 p.m. at IU's Waldron Arts Center Auditorium, 122 S. Walnut Street, Bloomington. Additional performances on Sept. 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28; 2:00 p.m. matinees on Sept 20 and 27. For ticket cost and availability please contact info@cardinalstage.org. Panel discussion with playwright Wendy Kesselman: Date TBA.

Meet the Jewish Studies Faculty

Mon., Sept. 15, 6:00 p.m. Students are invited to come meet the Jewish Studies professors at an informal dinner at Hillel, 730 E. Third S. Bloomington.

Special Teacher Training Workshop

Wed., Sept. 17, 3:30-9:30 p.m. Workshop in conjunction with Cardinal Stage Company's production of a new adaptation of *The Diary of Anne Frank* at John Waldron Arts Center, 122 S. Walnut St.

Paging Dr. Shylock! Jewish Hospitals and the Prudent Reinvestment of Jewish Philanthropy

Fri., Sept. 26, 12 noon. Workshop led by Robert Katz, in the Indiana Memorial Union Oak Room.

A Warsaw Story: Polish-Jewish Relations in the First World War

Wed., Sept. 24, 4:00 p.m. Lecture cosponsored by Pro-

fessor Robert Blobaum, in the University Club, Faculty Room, Indiana Memorial Union.

Pushmepullyou: A Jewish/ German Dialogue Disclosed

Fall exhibit featuring artwork by Karen Baldner and Bjorn Krondofor focusing on the responses to the Nazi Holocaust of the Jews by children of German Jews and the children of German Nazis. Mather's Museum, 416 N. Indiana Ave., Bloomington.

Symposium on "Wit(h)ness" Art, Memory, and the Holocaust

Sun., Oct. 5, 1:00-6:00 p.m., Mather's Museum, 416 N. Indiana Ave., Bloomington. Reception at 6:00 p.m. *Cosponsored by the Mather's Museum, The Robert A. and Sandra S. Borns Jewish Studies Program, The Dorit and Gerald Paul Program in Jewish Culture and the Arts, and the Institute for Jewish Culture and the Arts.*

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Obituaries

Linda Fish

Linda Fish, beloved mathematics professor, died at the age of 62. Linda was an avid student, attending several universities and earning her masters' degree in mathematics. Her passion for math inspired her students. Her courses were popular amongst the student body.

Linda was generous and charitable. She supported charities that benefited both children and the Jewish religion.

She will be deeply missed by friends and her surviving family. Survivors include her sister, Maxine Fish Commeau; her brother, Alan Fish; her niece, Susan Oguschewitz; nephews, Joel and Mark Oguschewitz; and great nieces, Carly and Samantha Oguschewitz. Graveside services were held on Wed., Aug. 13, 2008 at 11:00 am. Burial followed in Indianapolis Hebrew Cemetery North. Memorial contributions may be made to World Jewish Congress or to WFYI Public

Radio Station. Arrangements entrusted to Aaron-Rubens-Nelson Mortuary.

Maurice Nahmias, 90



Maurice Nahmias, formerly of Santa Fe, died Tues., Aug. 5, 2008. His parents were Albert and Victoria Nahmias. Maurice graduated from Manual High School and Butler University. He worked at U.S. Rubber Company and was a commercial real estate realtor.

For health reasons, he was

rejected from entering the service. He traveled extensively, enjoyed history, opera and other music, and was an avid reader.

Maurice was a member of Etz Chaim Sephardic Congregation. He was a past member of the Jewish Community Center and the Golden Age Club.

He was preceded in death by his younger brother, Ben Nahmias. Survivors include his sister, Sylvia Nahmias Cohen; brother-in-law, Jack I. Cohen; nieces, Ellen of Chevy Chase, Md., Vicki of Seattle, Margie (Scott) of Indianapolis, Vikki (Jon) Lewis of Rochester, N.Y.; nephews, Gary of Portland, Ore., Alan "Lannie" (Kristin) of Indianapolis, Alan Nahmias of N.Y.; great niece, Iszabel Cohen and great nephews, Toby and Mitchell Cohen of Indianapolis.

A memorial service will be held Sat., Aug. 23, 9:30 a.m., at the Etz Chaim Synagogue. Memorial contributions may be made to the Building Fund of Etz Chaim Synagogue, 6939 Hoover Rd, Indpls, IN 46260 or Hooverwood Nursing Home, 7001 Hoover Rd., Indpls, IN 46260.

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Teenville Reunion at the JCC



On a cool summer night in early August on the deck of the outdoor pool at the Arthur M. Glick JCC, a "Teenville" reunion was held. In the 1960s and 70s, the JCC sponsored weekly bands with dancing for teens. Jimmy Mac, 86, who used to D.J. for bar and bat mitzvah parties during that era appeared looking as good as ever. For this event, Dan Cook of Baby Boomer Sounds was the D.J.

People reminisced about the fun that was had on those Thursday evenings during the hot summers almost 50 years ago. Also 50 this year is the JCC building on Hoover Rd. – another good reason to celebrate! One man said he came to every single one of these parties for teens when he was in high school and he was glad to be back. Judging from the large crowd in attendance, he will probably have another chance next year.



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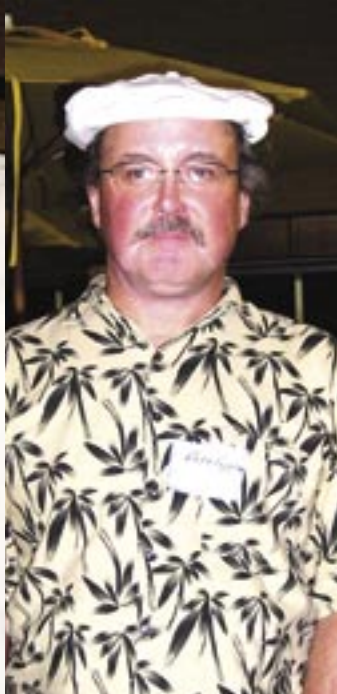
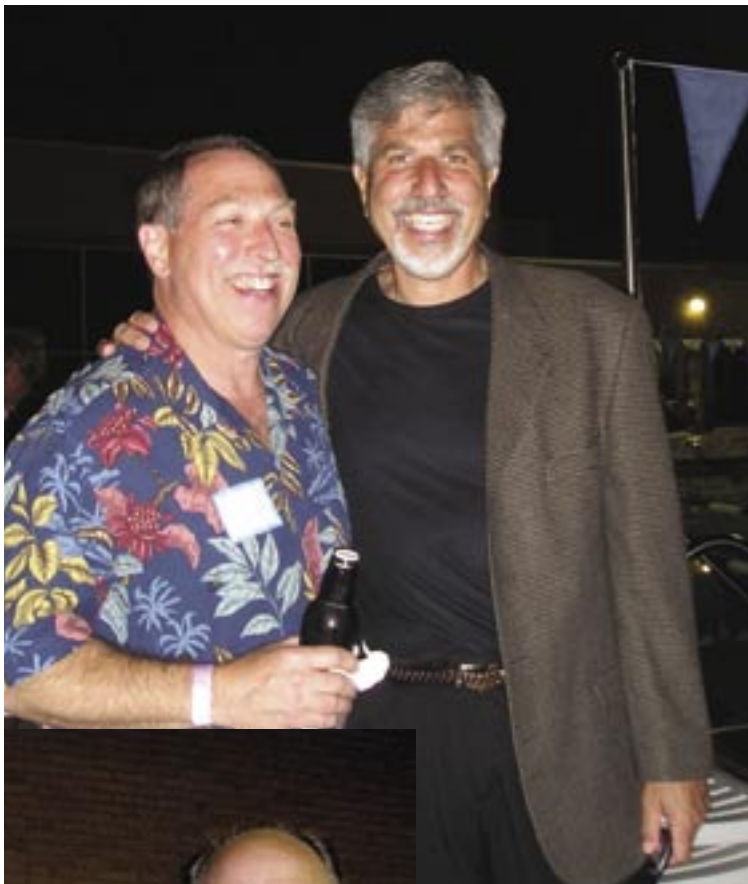


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Community Events

Israeli Dancing

Thurs., Aug. 21, is the 5th annual Debka night, 7:30-8:30, beginner session and review; 8:30-10:00 Debka Night and open; at Five Seasons Sports Country Club, 1300 E. 96th St. \$5.00/\$3.00 nonmembers/members. Join everyone for the after dance party at 10:15 at Daddy Jack's, 9419 N. Meridian St.

The Debka is a style of dance, Arabic in origin, and originally done only by men. It refers to a strong, bouncy style with strong, staccato-like movements. There are however, dozens of debkot in today's Israeli dance repertoire, many of which have been created quite recently.

Even though we are featuring the Debka for this event, your favorite non-Debka dances will also be featured during the open dance.

For more information contact Rhea McDonald at rkmcdonald@indy.rr.com or 581-8835. Or go to <http://home.indy.rr.com/jhmiii/DanceHome.html>

Adult Education at JCC

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Parents of North American Israelis, Inc. - Indianapolis Chapter

PNAI is dedicated to keeping open hagesher, the bridge, that joins us with our families in Israel. PNAI summer meeting: Sun., Aug. 24, at JCC David Cook Board Room, 10:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. All current members and new families wanting to join are invited. This includes relatives of families living in Israel. Meeting includes a pitch-in dairy brunch - Bon Appetite. Special guest: Dr. Jeffrey Rothenberg, associate professor, Dept. of Obstetrics & Gynecology, I.U. School of Medicine, who will talk about the *ERG Program and Medicine in Israel*.

The ERG is a study and

training program at the Western Galilee Hospital, the only border hospital in Israel, wherein physicians and health care workers from the United States train side-by-side with Israeli doctors for mass casualty events and other nonconventional emergency situations. The hospital services Jewish, Druze, Christian and Muslim patients.

Dr. Rothenberg was educated at Tel Aviv University, Indiana University, Weizmann Institute of Science and the Sacher School of Medicine at Tel Aviv University. Beyond deliveries, surgeries and teaching duties, Dr. Rothenberg creates glass sculptures. He has displayed his creations at the Indianapolis Art Center, Riley Hospital and the JCC. His wife, Joani is an art therapist and they are the parents of four children.

Please RSVP to Sylvia or Mike Blain at 251-1914 (afternoons/evenings).

Shaarey Tefilla Shalom Picnic

Barbeque, activities, crafts, games. Aug. 24, 3-5:30 p.m., West Park, 2700 W. 116th St., Carmel, RSVP to Shaarey

Tefilla at 733-2169, adults \$15; children 6-12, \$7.50; children 2-5, \$5; guests free.

Pomelit on the Prairie

Join Pomelit for Beatles Twist and Shout on the Prairie, Thurs., Aug. 28, 8 p.m. Backstage with the band at 7 p.m. Complementary appetizers. Reserved lawn seating. Pomelit is a social group with an intellectual spirit. Tickets \$12 at www.JFGL.org or contact Laurel Brown at laurelabro@aol.com or Paul Goldberg at pgoldberg@indy.rr.com.

Indianapolis Indians overnight for teens

Sat., Aug. 30, 4:30 p.m.-Sun., Aug. 31, 9 a.m. Middle schoolers outing to Victory Field and then to hang out at the JCC after the Indians game until Sunday morning. Dinner is included (location to be announced). For more information, call 251-9467.

JFGI Young Leadership Division Steering Committee

Tues., Sept. 9, 6:30 p.m., JCC Cook Boardroom. All welcome. RSVP to Lindsey Geller at 726-5450, ext. 532 or at lgeller@jfgi.org.

Mickey's Corner with Bob Knight

Mark your calendar - Wed., Sept. 10 at the JCC. \$10 per ticket, maximum 6 tickets per person. Tickets available in West Lobby; members may purchase tickets (must present JCC key fob or membership card) beginning Mon., Aug. 25, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tickets go on sale to the general public Tues., Aug. 27, 9 a.m. (while supplies last).

J-Café Teen Concerts at JCC

Sat., Sept. 13, 7:45-11 pm: "The Revibes." The runner-up of this year's Battle of the Bands at the JCC, Park Tudor's very own "The Revibes." \$5 in advance / \$7 at the door.

Etz Chaim Bake Sale

Etz Chaim Deborah Sisterhood has announced their annual bake sale will take place at the JCC Laiken Auditorium, 6701 Hoover Rd., Sept. 14, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more information contact Etz Chaim at 251-6220. Yummmm. Don't miss it.

JFGI Young Leadership wine tasting

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Israel Bonds dinner

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10th Annual Ann Katz Festival of Books

Watch for more information about this event that includes author speakers and films, Oct. 20 – Nov. 20 at the JCC. 251-9467.

Mickey's Corner with Soprano Sylvia McNair

Two-time Grammy Award winner Sylvia McNair will be Mickey's guest on Nov. 5, at 7 p.m., Free. Mickey will engage Sylvia in a conversation about her spectacular career, her struggle with breast cancer and

some little-known facts about the singer that will be sure to interest arts enthusiasts.

Mickey's Corner will be live at the Arthur M. Glick JCC, 6701 Hoover Rd., Indianapolis. This show is part of the JCC's 3-week-long Ann Katz Festival of Books and will include a brief performance by Sylvia and her accompanist. For more information call 251-9467 or go to www.jccindy.org.

50th year Grande Finale

All year long, JCC has been celebrating 50 years on Hoover Rd. Join everyone for the year's grande finale event, Sat., Dec. 13. Includes a sit-down dinner, live entertainment and dancing, and live and silent auctions. 251-9467.

Borns

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Gender, Moral Agency, and Discourses of Victimization in Post-1945 Memoirs of German Theologians

Mon., Oct. 6, 12 noon. Workshop led by Bjorn Krondorfer, in the Distinguished Alumni Room, Indiana Memorial Union.

Jewish Women's Film Festival

Oct. 11-13, Indiana Memorial Union. Free.

The Future of Yiddish

Thur., Nov. 20, 7:30 p.m.

Professor Dovid Katz will deliver the George Stolnitz Memorial Lecture, in the State Room East, Indiana Memorial Union.

The Holocaust Obfuscation Movement in Eastern Europe

Fri., Nov. 21, 12 noon. Workshop led by Professor Dovid Katz, in the Distinguished Alumni Room, Indiana Memorial Union.

For more information about these and other Borns Jewish Studies events go to www.indiana.edu/~jsp/events-and-activities.html.

Beginning Hebrew at IHC

On Tuesdays, beginning Aug. 19 – Sept. 23, 7:00 p.m. (6 sessions). This is for anyone who has never learned Hebrew (or have forgotten what they once knew) – an introduction to Hebrew. Students will learn the Hebrew alphabet and begin putting the letters together to read words. (This course satisfies the basic Hebrew require-

ment for those who want to participate in a future adult B'nai Mitzvah class.) Instructor: Marv Goldstein. Fee: \$50 members / \$70 nonmembers (fee includes text). At Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation, 6501 N. Meridian St. To register, contact Dovie, at 255-6647 x 200. Questions? Contact Marcia Goldstein, x213.

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Prisoner seeks fellowship

By Maston Willis

For more than 2,000 generations, the lives of Jewish people have been limited in every area of life. Physical and spiritual restrictions are a way of life, especially for our people. Through it all, Jews in every restricted set of circumstances, always find a way,

through prayer and meditation. Hashem connects Jewish souls. Daily, I am grateful to Hashem that I am a Jewish man, who has been blessed in numerous areas of my life. I am a Torah observant Orthodox Jew, serving time in an Indiana prison. I am not an evil person, I simply

made a mistake.

We as a people can help one another so life does not have to be so limited. Serving time in the Indiana Department of Corrections, I am a very small part of the prison population. There are not very many Jewish people here. The Indiana prison system knows very little about us, so they neglect us and deprive of us of our rights to practice our religion and restrict us behind the other religious groups.

Education is the key to help these people understand our needs. The IDOC policy manual *does* recognize Judaism and our festivals. Yet I am at a facility where they will not allow me to form a congregation so the Jewish men here can come together each week for Shabbat services. The IDOC policy has been written to say that unless outside volunteers come into the prisons to support Jewish prisoners, we cannot come together in corporate worship.

The challenges, even to perform mitzvahs, can be overcome with time to challenge areas of policy that restrict us. My hope is to encourage every one to consider the serving of their time, to help these whose lives are limited so we can be set free and all come together as one people.

The men here at the New

Castle facility and I are seeking your help and assistance. We are in need of a rabbi or Jewish lay people who can volunteer his or her time and come into the facility two or more times a month to help lead and teach services. I am working hard to bring a Jewish presence to this place. As the president of our small community, I will keep hope alive that we will soon be able to come together. When we all come together as one, the sky is the limit and none of us will be limited anymore. If you are able to assist our efforts, please feel free to correspond with me and then I will put you in touch with

the chaplain here to help begin our new journey together!

Please let us all help. The Jewish men in all the state facilities would love to have you join them each week for Shabbat and other festivals – no limits anymore! For questions or comments or simply to correspond, please write to me and I will respond back to you.

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The Search: A Graphic Novel for Teaching the Holocaust in Europe

Wed., Sept. 3, 12:30, at Purdue's Stewart Center, Rm 320. Wendy Flory, professor of English at Purdue University will speak on *The Search*

The Larry Axel Memorial Lectureship in Religion – Mon., Nov. 10, 8:00 p.m., at

Purdue's Krannert Auditorium.

Michael Berenbaum, professor of Jewish Studies and Director of the Sigi Ziering Institute for the Study of the Holocaust and Ethics, American Jewish University, will speak on "Jewish Life Under Attack: The Role of the Synagogue in Nazi Germany between 1933 and 1938."

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