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Engman Camp Shalom campers and counselors play a parachute game at Caspe Terrace. Campers attended 10 weeks of camp this summer, with outdoor activities only. It was a fun and exciting experience for us all, during these uncertain times, to come together for part of the day to interact with one another.

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Community Report

Beit Sefer Shalom

- Beit Sefer Shalom engaged more than 115 children in the 2019-20 school year
- More than 20 teenagers participated in the Madrichim Program
- BSS students studied remotely beginning in March due to COVID-19
- Resources are always available online
- BSS registration for the 2020-21 school year is open online

Engman Camp Shalom

- Held virtual camp programming for the first two weeks of summer
- Held in person camp from June 22-August 21 with smaller group sizes and outdoor only activities
- A total of 160 campers participated this summer
- Without field trips and swim lessons, campers are enjoying nature hikes, sprinklers, outdoor games and delicious homemade lunch daily at Caspe
- Engman Camp Shalom will support families during the 20-21 school year with extra programming. Contact anna@jewishdesmoines.org to learn more

Gan Shalom

- Gan Shalom registration reached 38 students during the 2019-20 school year
- Pre-K students had the opportunity to take violin lessons weekly thanks to a generous donor
- Gan Shalom held our annual Preschool Graduation ceremony outside this year on May 21, 2020. Mazel Tov to our 14 graduates
- Gan Shalom campers are enjoying all of Caspe Terrace this summer

Iowa Jewish Historical Society

- Awarded two special prizes as part of the Iowa History Day Competition sponsored by the State Historical Society of Iowa. The History of the Holocaust Award and a \$50 check went to an outstanding project that explored a topic related to the Holocaust. The winners were Katelyn Kobliska of Edward Stone Elementary in Burlington and Arely Ramirez of Storm Lake High School.
- IJHS is delighted to announce that six people have been re-elected to serve 3-year terms on the IJHS Board of Directors. Barbara Leventhal-Beckerman, Linda Bremen, Susan Jackson, Dawn Martinez Oropeza, Jerome Thompson, and Jonathan Yentis began their new terms on July 1.
- IJHS is also delighted to announce its board officers for 2020/2021: President, Linda Bremen; Vice President, Melanie Sandler; and Secretary, Loretta Fingert

Jewish Family Services and Outreach

- Senior activities are suspended due to COVID-19 pandemic
- JFS continues to serve the Jewish community by delivering meals each week and providing other forms of support to our senior community
- If you need assistance or are aware of someone who does, please contact Jody Ingersoll, Jewish Family Services, at 987-0899 ext. 210.

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Silver Linings in Working Together



Michael Wolnerman
President

Jews are lucky. We get to move on to a new year, while the rest of the world is still stuck in 2020 (or 5780). The year flew by even though most of us felt like each day has been on repeat since March. We lost valued members of our community, including one of the Federation's past presidents, Sheldon Rabinowitz. His passing reminded me of when I nominated him for "Citizen of the Year" with the Clive Chamber of Commerce in the mid-1990's. He was awarded this honor at a wonderfully attended dinner event—back in the Racquet and Fitness Club days! Despite the sadness over losing people we cared so much about and who gave so much to our community, there is still plenty to be grateful for. Although there are things we wish we could erase as we reflect over the past year, there is still a future beckoning with bright spots. There are silver linings in all we have been through.

You've heard me say before that you have to have breakdowns to have

breakthroughs. Honestly, I have been struggling to find something meaningful in everything going on around us today. I found some inspiration in our prayer book. When the time came to make a Sanctuary for the Divine Presence, in accordance with G-d's directive to "make me a holy place and I will dwell among them," it called for contributions such as gold and silver donated by men, women, and children. These valuables were handed over to men who were wise and instructed to use the valuables to make certain parts of the Sanctuary. It was only through the entire community's cooperation, from donations of precious metals all the way to the final construction, that it was possible to make a fitting Sanctuary for G-d's Presence. This passage makes me think about how our place in the world is like the Sanctuary. It requires all of us to come together, using our wisdom, to create a place where peace can find a home. With all of us coming together, we can accomplish much more than any one of us alone. It is so important to keep this in mind for the new year 5781 and always.

The Jewish Federation of Greater Des Moines does so much good for our community, locally, and even miles away. Even with constraints on how we provide support, we have made positive impacts through our Iowa Jewish Historical Society, Beit Sefer Shalom and

Gan Shalom Schools, Engman Camp Shalom and Jewish Community Relations Council.

And what about those silver linings? Even during these pandemic times, wonderful opportunities present themselves when we work together. With significant help from Hannah Rogers, we found a silver lining for not only the Jewish Federation of Greater Des Moines, but also the entire Jewish community, in our search for the next Federation Executive Director. Some of you had the opportunity to "meet" him virtually. It is with great pleasure that I announce Bob Goldberg as our new Executive Director. Bob comes to our community from the Jewish Federation in Fort Worth Texas, where he is in his eighth year as Executive Director. We are working with him on the details of his transition and relocation to our community and are excited to get him on board.

I can't close without going back to the making of the Sanctuary from the prayer book. Our Jewish Federation also needs precious metals in the form of contributions to the Cornerstone All in One Campaign (the annual campaign). These contributions help this Cornerstone of our community. Without donations from you, we cannot support those in need, programs, schools, and camps. It's that simple. We have developed many different ways to contribute over the years as technology progresses. Some

might remember the “dialing for dollars” events; however, with the advent of mobile phones, many households do not even have a landline phone anymore. With decreased ability to connect to everyone via phone calls, we have expanded virtual capabilities for donations, that allow for giving via text or email. And, of course, the good old reliable U.S. Postal Service is always an option!

As we launch this year’s annual campaign, expect to be emailed, called, mailed, texted, or otherwise notified, about making a contribution. We hope that you will respond to our request in whatever capacity you are able, whether small or large. The needs that we fill are always there, and your generosity is needed now more than ever. We appreciate your willingness to dig deep, and are

so grateful that your generosity helps us continue to support our community.

L’Shana Tova Tikatevu and Gut Yom Tov from my family to yours!

Shalom,
Michael Wolnerman
515-778-3867

FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS,

L’shanah Tovah!

We hope your new year comes with many blessings and joy.



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Unconditional

By Dr. David Friedgood

As children we enter this world with basic survival instincts. To survive, each newborn learns quickly to breathe air which has replaced the fluid filled sac from which it emerged. We all learn to nurse and swallow for nutrition, react to various sensory stimulation, and to eliminate waste. Along the way the organ, which makes us uniquely human, is growing and developing. Our infant sensory systems actively develop in relation to environmental stimulation. We learn to interact with the world about us based on what we see, hear, taste and feel. Along the way a personality develops, each of us unique. We become unlike our peers or those whose genetic makeup we share. Young brains are (to paraphrase the great 20th century Philosopher – Martin Buber) ‘unconditional’. In children all available sensory information is absorbed and analyzed without prejudice. Our brains receive the data and monitor the subsequent effect of our actions. Over time, through years of development, conditions set in which alter our perception. Mother’s face is reassuring while a stranger may generate fear. Sweet tasting food may be preferred over bitter. We learn to fear heights, to avoid getting too close to fire, and maybe taught to fear certain individuals or groups of people. Eventually unconditional is constantly being restricted by superimposed conditions. As

children our minds are open, absorbing all that is presented. The quest for knowledge, unlimited in infants, may constrict over time and often becomes limited as they grow.

Ideally religion is the experience of our soul interacting with a primary reality that is unconditional. The unconditional is defined as God for whom no boundaries exist. As our children grow they are presented with rules and rituals along with multiple conditions restricting religious belief and thus limiting reality. Many children are taught that there is only one way to approach God. Thus they become less capable of appreciating alternative paths to ultimate truth. In a sense this is necessary. Most of us require symbols and dogma as we strive to understand our Deity, the nature of which is beyond most of us to fully comprehend. Unfortunately loading the developing brain with more conditions narrows the sense of the world around the child thus restricting their power of vision and comprehension of reality. The unconditional affecting our soul and allowing us to be shaken and transformed by experiencing unconditional truth is slowly lost. Perversely, in time the conditional, the dogma and artificial rules, are viewed as reality.

Judaism accepts this change in human development while recognizing its limitations. We

are told that all of us, even the most pious, are sinners. “For there is not one good man on earth who does what is best and does not sin”. (Ecclesiastes 7:20) No amount of ritual, prayer, or deeds is sufficient to remove this basic aspect of being human. We all sin by accepting conditions on the unconditional. Thankfully our tradition offers us a reset once a year during the High Holidays (Yamim Noraim), the 10 days in the fall season including Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. On Rosh Hashanah we are encouraged to experience a spiritual re-birth. We are given a chance to reimagine our existence as it ideally should be. Yom Kippur (from the Hebrew kipper) is translated as Day of Atonement. On this holiday we are all on trial, but not forgiven. We atone. As we become aware of our sins, both physical and intellectual, we seek to reconcile them with our God. In a sense it is not just us human beings on trial, but our Creator as well. Our goal is to emulate the Divine as best we can in an effort to perfect this world we all live in. Buber recalls a tale involving the Hasidic master Baal Shem Tov (literally: the owner of a good name) who was denied access to the world to come as he had committed a sin. The Baal Shem Tov rejoiced with this news, as he was now able to serve God wholly for His own sake. This is unconditional religious truth.

During the holidays, ritual again is used as the mode of our instruction. In the Yom Kippur Torah service we read that on this sacred day the High Priest Aaron is the only person allowed into the Holy Shrine (which is covered with a cloud representing Divine Presence). There Aaron offers a sacrifice of a bull for him and his family. Then “Aaron shall take the two he-goats and let them stand before the LORD at the entrance of the Tent of Meeting; and he shall place lots up on the two goats, one marked for the LORD and the other marked

for Azazel. Aaron shall bring forward the goat designated by lot for the LORD which he is to offer as a purification offering; while the goat designated by lot for Azazel shall be left standing alive before the LORD, to make expiation (atonement) with it and to send it off to the wilderness for Azazel.” (Leviticus 16:7-10) Our sages debate the meaning of Azazel. Some consider it a devil or fallen angel who testifies against Israel before the LORD. Others feel it is a mystical location fraught with evil for those who enter. Perhaps it is a manifestation

of our evil inclination (Yetzer HaRah). Whatever, Azazel has the capacity to remove our sins, giving us the opportunity to start the New Year free of the impediments of past misdeeds. This ritual (performed symbolically during the Yom Kippur service) affords us the opportunity for a better unconditional life. We are given a new opportunity to renew our soul with a love for All as we strive to better understand the Will of our Creator.

*L'Shanah Tova T'chatevu
vT'chatemu*

*“Rabbi Meir taught:
Whoever studies Torah for its own sake merits many things;
moreover, it was worth creating the world for their sake of alone.
They are called: Beloved friends, lovers of God, lovers of
humanity, a joy to God, a joy to humanity.
Torah clothes them with humility and reverence;
it equips them to be righteous, saintly, upright, and faithful.
It keeps them far from sin and draws them near to virtue.”*

(Pirkei Avot VI:1)

Israeli 1-Second COVID Spit Test Shown 95% Accurate So Far

Newsight's spectral technology, currently being tried on patients at Sheba Medical Center, could revolutionize SARS-CoV-2 testing across the world.



A one-second saliva test for Covid-19 is being tested in Israel. Photo courtesy of Newsight

Imagine results of a Covid-19 test in less than a second, from a single sample of saliva.

That could happen by the end of this year, if Newsight Imaging's revolutionary SpectraLit device continues to show excellent results in ongoing clinical trials at Sheba Medical Center.

"Under laboratory conditions, we were clearly able to differentiate between Covid-19 samples that were positive and those that were negative, with a 95 percent accuracy rate," said trial leader Dr. Eli Schwartz, founder of Sheba's Center for Geographic Medicine and Tropical Diseases.

"For a new AI based technology such as this, the results are quite encouraging," Schwartz added.

Newsight's core business is advanced image sensor chips for

3D machine vision and spectral analysis, used in verticals such as mobile, robotics, Industry 4.0, automotive safety and surveillance.

"The corona pandemic forced us to be extremely creative," said Eyal Yatskan, CTO and cofounder of Newsight Imaging, based in Ness Ziona.

"With our team of experts in chip design, optics and microbiology, in a great collaboration with Prof. Schwartz and his team, we were able to utilize our groundbreaking advantages in the machine vision world, validated in our 3D technology, into the spectral analysis world, and specifically to virus detection. Our AI based solution is unique as we have developed all the technology solution starting from a spectral chip, through its firmware, boards, and of course AI

algorithms."

The company has already sold a license to develop virus and bacteria detection devices based on its technology, to Hong Kong company AlinnoBio.

The Israeli clinical trial will test Newsight's SpectraLit on hundreds more patients for another four to six weeks, after which final results will be analyzed.

Patents for the company's chip technology are registered worldwide. Newsight is establishing a joint company, Virusight Diagnostics, with Sheba's ARC Innovation Center to make the Covid-19 test and other novel solutions commercially available worldwide.

ARC is testing and implementing a range of cutting-edge Covid-19 treatments, vaccines and diagnostic technologies at Sheba.

*By Abigail Klein Leichman
Israel21c.org*



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Beit Sefer Shalom

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Shalom Parents,

This is a challenging time, and we realize that there are many questions about returning to school. The Beit Sefer Shalom Board is committed to taking all necessary steps to educate our students and at the same time take care of our community. As we plan for the 2020-21 school year at Beit Sefer Shalom, the health and safety of our families, students, faculty and staff continue to be an important part of our decision making. Our reopening plan represents our current understanding of COVID-19, and we will continue to monitor changes weekly.

This year, Beit Sefer Shalom will offer two learning options: Remote learning or in-person learning. Once you have made your selection (remote or in-person learning), you will receive a separate email with

grade specific information. Because the number of in-person attendees is necessary to ensure compliance with appropriate procedures, you will not be able to switch to in-person without requesting and receiving permission in advance. Because our goal is to create consistent communities for children who are participating online, it is preferable that children do not move in and out of the communities frequently.

Remote learning will take place twice a week on Zoom. Each class will last 30-60 minutes. Students will be given all the resources they need to complete projects at home, and the traditional curriculum will be used. Hebrew, music/prayer, Israel, etc., will all be taught online with similar aged peers.

In-person learning will take place at Caspe Terrace (once or twice a week depending on the

grade). Students and staff will be required to wear masks while inside the building, and class size will be limited to 12 students or less. Teachers and students will spend as much time outdoors as possible, including time each week in our new outdoor classroom.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly with your questions and concerns. We are excited about the upcoming year, and look forward to working with you to create the best experience for your family. Registration is open online.

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Beit Sefer Shalom
The Jewish Federation Community School

We Can't Wait to See You During the 2020-2021 School Year!

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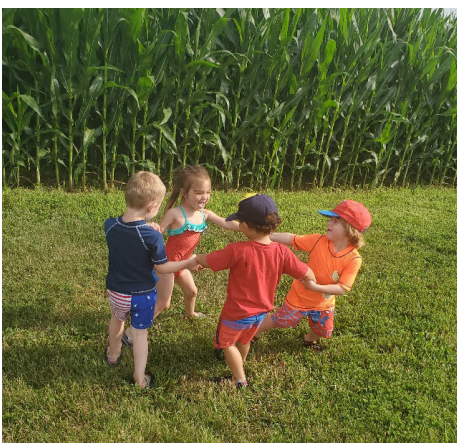
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Teachers and campers alike were excited to spend 10 weeks together at camp this summer. Due to COVID-19, the first two weeks of camp took place virtually. In person at camp began June 22. Campers enjoyed outdoor activities that included playing in the sprinklers,

arts and crafts under the pavilion, long nature hikes and so much more. Friday hot dog lunches were enjoyed together while celebrating Shabbat with songs and blessings. We were so excited to see the smiling faces of our campers this summer!



Our vegetable and butterfly gardens were thriving this summer. Thank you so much to Morah Marty for teaching us how to plant seeds and saplings and how to care and harvest them. Campers were able to pick and try some of the vegetables when they visited for their lessons.



When the big kids weren't using it, campers took many slides down the giant water slide. We took lots of bike rides around Caspe, read books, played games and explored nature. Each week this summer had a theme, including outer space, music, under the sea, big wheels and so much more.



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Engman Camp Shamom

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While we were unsure if we would hold camp at the beginning of this summer, we are so happy that we did. Campers took part in 10 weeks of camp in our beautiful outdoor spaces. ECS is so lucky to have access to so much land here at Caspe. Campers explored nature on weekly nature hikes, played kickball on the field, played on the playground and used their imaginations to create during arts and crafts times. And, of course, on very hot days, water balloons were tossed and the giant blue slip and slide made an appearance.

Thank you to all the families who sent their children to camp this summer. With everything going on in the world, we understand this was not always an easy decision. But, I can guarantee

it was a great one for the kids—just having a space for the kids to interact with one another was so special. Our counselors did an excellent job of planning activities, keeping the energy high during camp hours and putting smiles on camper faces.

We hope that next summer will look more normal—where we can go on field trips, use our indoor space and incorporate swim lessons into our daily activities. This summer was an awesome opportunity for us to find out all that we can do here at Caspe. I don't think we have ever appreciated our campus more.

Please keep an eye on your email in the coming weeks as we will be announcing an exciting opportunity for ECS families to

take part in. We are working on creating an "ECS Day" that will happen once a week during the school year. It will be similarly based off of our guidelines from camp this summer and give kids an opportunity to come out to Caspe to see their friends, play outside and take part in other activities.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to reach out via email at anna@jewishdesmoines.org or call/text 515.419.1269.

Thanks again for another great summer!

Giovanna Zavell



Nature hikes were always full of excitement. During the first few weeks, campers picked chamomile flowers, which are safe to use to make tea. Lots of interesting insects were spotted among the prairie flowers and, of course, butterflies. Taking a hike before the sun got too hot was a great way to start the day.





Our Gaga pit got a lot of love this summer. Campers played games almost every day and even made up some new versions of traditional Gaga. We especially love this area during hot days because it is nicely shaded.



A lot of our activities were camper lead and inspired. A favorite was sitting on a picnic blanket and drawing or making friendship bracelets. On one special day, campers were able to "pie" their counselors after trivia.



Campers made "cups of dirt," which was both messy and tasty. The giant blue water slide is an ECS favorite, and kept everyone cool on hot summer days.

Connecting History

Jordan Lloyd Bookey and her Interviews with the Iowans Who Liberated WWII Death Camps

By Susan Jellinger

As I was listening to the oral history interviews with Iowa veterans who helped liberate Hitler's death camps, I wondered about Jordan Leslie Bookey, who interviewed five Iowa Liberators. I knew that she's related to Mort Bookey, whom I've listened to in several oral history recordings in the IJHS archives and that she's the daughter of Harry and Pam Bookey.



Jordan Lloyd Bookey

Looking on the Internet, I learned that she had been on the TV reality show, Shark Tank. When I read that she and her husband Felix Lloyd market Beanstock, a reading challenge program that I'm doing through the Des Moines Public Library, I wanted to know more.

I connected with Jordan through email and was excited to learn that her mom had already alerted her to the Iowa Liberators Witness the Holocaust virtual programs that are now on the IJHS web page. We met on Zoom on June 11, 2020 for an interesting and enlightening conversation.

How did you get involved doing those Liberator oral histories?

Thinking about it, maybe Toni Urban told me. I was between my junior and senior year in high school. I went to a boarding school and was home for the summer. Elaine Steinger asked me if I was interested. Interesting they let me do it.

Tell me about any training, preparation you had

Minimal training. Elaine Steinger talked to me, gave me some readings, we worked on questions. I was interested in history and I like talking to people, listening to people and, at that time, I learned about Holocaust deniers and that got me. I knew it was important to do this.

Do you remember who was your first interview?

No, but I definitely remember that some people were much more closed. And no matter what you'd do it'd be a little bit hard



**Jordan Bookey
interviewing Liberator
Ronald "Uby" Rabinovitz
in 1995.**

to get them to open. For others it was maybe their first time or they hadn't really talked about this experience before ...like they'd talked about it before with family but they'd never really

gone into depth about what this moment that they had of going to the concentration camps. War memories are the types of things that they remember, that they never forgot. Like, they could go right back there.

Have you listened to any of the programs that feature your interviews? Reactions? Thoughts? Did it bring up memories?

Yes. Listening to those stories again I thought how painful it must have been for those men to have to re-live those memories. And how brave they were to do that! I think men of that era, especially those fighting that war, I think there's a certain expectation on them ...that they had an older version of what it meant to be a man: not to emote and not to cry and then for them to, you know, allow that barrier to be gone? I really understood that differently watching them again.

And then I'm also watching them look at me, my younger self, and just thinking how young I was to have that responsibility. I would probably have a very different approach today if I was conducting those interviews now.

I heard this woman in Hebrew School ... Linda Fishman. I have this one memory that's really seared into my mind of her telling us that she had to watch this firing squad and they pinned her eyelids open. I don't know why that sticks with me but it does. Pretty horrific.

But growing up in Des Moines I understood the importance of hearing voices confirm and corroborate these horrible things that happened in our history. And

coming not from Jewish voices but coming from people who probably had never met a Jewish person ... ever... and they had no concept of what was going on! And probably no idea related to that upon arriving at a camp! I think that perspective is so important. I remember considering that while doing the interviews.

Jordan and I talked for more than half an hour, up until she had to go to another Zoom business meeting. I learned more of her Shark Tank experience and the continued collaboration she and Felix have with that initial investor, Mark Cuban. Near the end of our conversation she said:



Holocaust Survivor, Linda Fishman, in the IJHS museum gallery.

In Des Moines I had a very strong, stronger than I have now, Jewish community. It was smaller and more close-knit. There are lots more Jews out here [DC area] and we belong to a wonderful Temple and all that. Yet, I am still in touch with all my mom's Jewish friends as that was a very important part of our upbringing culturally. My parents are both very open people. And I think that my parent's own openness and their own commitment to expanding our horizons, to travel, helping us see that there is this bigger world. They helped shape me into who I am.

Collections Corner: Sam Cohen



Hyman Cohen, who immigrated to Des Moines from Poland, started a grocery in 1903 at 1101 Scott Ave. in Des Moines. His son, Sam, who had started working in the store at age 10, continued the business, operating it from the 1940's until he died in 1978.

It was a neighborhood grocery and Sam was well known in his Southside Des Moines community as a "heckuva nice guy" for his generosity. According to a February 28, 1996 article in the Des Moines Register, Sam "always

remembered kids' birthdays with little treats. Families experiencing hard times could expect a basket of groceries from him." Cohen Park in Des Moines is named after Sam and is across the street from where his grocery once stood.

Last summer, IJHS received a donation of objects, photos, and papers from Stacey Green, Sam's granddaughter. The donation included salt and pepper shakers (Right) from his grocery store and the above photos.



By Sarah Carlson

Tifereth Worship Schedule

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Recurring Events

Minyan via Zoom | Tuesdays | 9 a.m. | Shofar will be blown every Tuesday in Elul starting August 25
Shabbat Evening Services via Zoom | Fridays | 6 p.m.
STEP (Sunday Torah Education Program) via Zoom | Sundays | 10 a.m. | Led by Mike Kuperman

September Events

Selichot Services | Saturday, September 12, 2020 | Time TBD
Kever Avot Services | Sunday, September 13, 2020 | 1 p.m.
Erev Rosh Hashanah Services Livestream | Friday, September 18, 2020 | 7 p.m.
Rosh Hashanah Day 1 Abbreviated Services Livestream | Saturday, September 19, 2020 | 10 a.m.
Tashlikh & Shofar Service Outdoors | Sunday, September 20, 2020 | 4 p.m. | Location TBD
Shabbat Shuva Zoom Services | Friday, September 25, 2020 | 6 p.m.
Kol Nidre Services Livestream | Sunday, September 27, 2020 | 6:45 p.m.
Abbreviated Yom Kippur Service & Yizkor Livestream | Monday, September 28, 2020 | 10 a.m.

October Events

Erev Sukkot & Erev Shabbat Services | Saturday, October 3, 2020 | 6 p.m.
Sukkot Morning Minyan with Yizkor via Zoom | Tuesday, October 6, 2020 | 9 a.m.

Special Events

Ari Wolf-Klass Beit Mitzvah via Zoom | Monday, October 5, 2020 | 4 p.m.

The Tifereth website, Tifereth.org will have a page dedicated to the High Holidays. This page will contain all needed information for this year's High Holidays including schedule of services for in person, livestream Zoom as well as holiday information, links for the machzor. This page will also have prerecorded readings of traditional Torah, Haftarah and youth services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. These prerecorded readings will be done by Tifereth members and will be available for viewing immediately before the Holidays begin. Please watch for more details about these services and other High Holiday offerings as they become available.

TBJ Worship Schedule

Temple B'nai Jeshurun | 5101 Grand Ave, Des Moines, IA 50312
visit www.templebnaijeshurun.org for more information

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Slichot via Zoom and Facebook Live | September 12, 2020 | 7 p.m.
TBJ Kever Avot | September 13, 2020 | 12 p.m. | Outdoors at Woodland Cemetery
Community Kever Avot | September 13, 2020 | 1 p.m. | Outdoors at Jewish Glendale Cemetery
Erev Rosh Hashanah Celebration Service Online | September 18, 2020
Rosh Hashanah Morning Service Online | September 19, 2020
Tashlikh, Rosh Hashanah & Full Shofar Service | September 19, 2020 | 4 p.m. | Outdoors at Raccoon River Park
Shabbat Shuvah Healing Service Online | September 25, 2020 | 6 p.m.
Shabbat Shuvah Morning Service & Reading of the Book of Jonah | September 26, 2020 | 10 a.m.
Kol Nidre Online | September 27, 2020
Yom Kippur & Yizkor Memorial Service via Zoom and Facebook Live | September 28, 2020 | 5 p.m.

OCTOBER EVENTS

Erev Sukkot & Family Shabbat Service via Zoom and Facebook Live | October 2, 2020 | 6 p.m.
Sukkot Morning Service & Lulav Waving | October 3, 2020 | 10 a.m. | Outdoors at the Temple

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sam Goldman Bar Mitzvah | Saturday, September 5, 2020 | 10 a.m. | Via Zoom and Facebook Live

Due to the pandemic, the Temple's High Holiday Schedule is subject to change with those programs tentatively scheduled to be held outside possibly shifting to online or being rescheduled. Please, check the Temple's website www.TempleBnaiJeshurun.org or the Temple's Facebook page www.facebook.com/TempleBnaiJeshurun for updated service information, including schedule changes or new programming, as the date approaches. For all outdoor events, masks are needed and social distancing will be maintained. Gloves will be provided if needed. Zoom links will be provided by the Temple via email. Facebook Live streaming may be found at www.facebook.com/davidjaykaufman and on the Temple's Facebook page.

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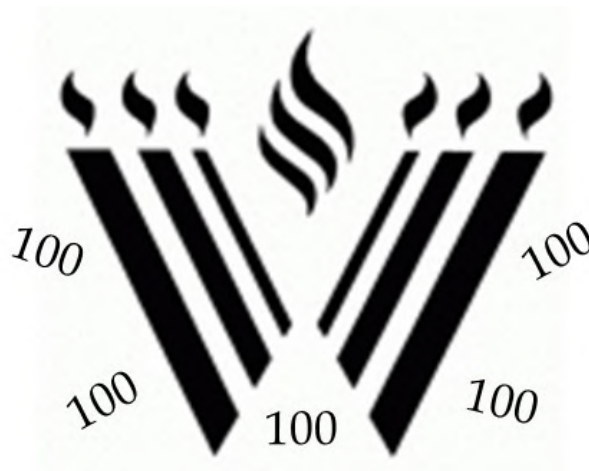
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visit ajciowa.org for more information

The Ames Jewish Congregation is planning a comprehensive schedule of High Holy Day worship services—all on Zoom—led by Rabbi Nina Mizrahi. We warmly welcome anyone and everyone who would like to join us at one or more of our services. A detailed schedule of services will be available a week or two before Rosh Hashanah and will be available on AJC's website (<http://ajciowa.org>) and calendar (<http://ajciowa.org/events.htm>) and also emailed to those who have asked to be notified about AJC events.

To receive emails with more details about upcoming events, or if you have questions about AJC, please contact AJC at ajciowa@gmail.com.

L'Shana Tovah!

Tifereth Israel Women's League 100th Anniversary Gala Postponed to 2021



Tifereth Israel Women's League will have their 100th Anniversary Gala in 2021. The confirmed date is still being determined; however, it is likely to be held on a Sunday, hopefully in early June 2021. We have already mailed out the Save the Date, so you will be receiving an invitation about 8-10 weeks prior to the event due to RSVP necessities. There will be continued communication through the Jewish Press, along with Tifereth's bulletins and community emails. We hope that you will attend and support this Gala to help make it an outstanding event for our community.



CALLED TO THE TORAH



Saturday, September 5, 2020

It is with immense celebration and joy that Brad, Jeana, and Tami Goldman announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Sam Goldman. Sam's service will be via Zoom and Facebook live at 10 am on Saturday, September 5, 2020. Sam enjoys exploring and learning on his own. He loves to create things and he especially enjoys building robots and legos with his father, Brad Goldman. Fortnite battles are a common event in the living room with dad and his two close siblings, Kate, and Xavier. We are proud of the caring person Sam has become and a highlight is reading time at night with stepmom, Jeana. Sam also enjoys challenging his family to board games. He is smart, silly, and sweet and enjoys special moments playing UNO with mom Tami Goldman. Bird watching with his grandma cici (Cindy Chappelle), swimming or watersports at Papa and Gigis (Tom and Cathy Goldman), and soccer with friends are some of his favorite activities. Sam's impeccable grades and yearly Mathlete awards from Bergman Academy are a testament to his hardworking nature.



Monday, October 5, 2020

With a lot of love and pride, Allison Wolf and Danny Klass are thrilled to announce the Beit Mitzvah of their son, Ari Seth Wolf-Klass, on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 4 p.m. central time via Zoom. Ari is going into 8th grade at Colegio Colombo Hebreo in Bogotá, Colombia where he is working hard on his Spanish and spreading his deep love of Big Nate, Mr. Beast, and soccer (especially of the LA Galaxy) throughout the Bogotá Jewish community (though he misses all of his great friends in Des Moines a lot!). We are so proud that Ari is a dedicated and loyal friend to those in both the U.S. and Colombia, a sensitive and fun cousin to Emma and Jaxon, a thoughtful nephew to Wendy, Shawn, Julie, and Michael, a wonderful big brother to Naomi Devon (despite his constant need to "give her advice"), and a loving grandson to Laurel and Ken Wolf.



Saturday, June 6, 2020

Mia and Todd Ellis are pleased to announce that their daughter, Josefina Jane Ellis, celebrated her Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, June 6, 2020 via Zoom with Rabbi Kaufman from Temple B'nai Jeshurun while many of her family & friends watched virtually. Josie will be an 8th grader at Southview Jr. High in Ankeny. She enjoys being with her sisters, Vivian (8) and Audrey (6), dancing, hiking and skiing, and playing the piano.

Israel Stands With Iowa Billboard



If you haven't seen the new billboard in town, make sure to take a walk or drive past. At the corner of Ingersoll Ave & 15th Street, a billboard that reads "Israel Stands With Iowa" stands. The Consulate of Israel to the Midwest has begun an initiative of funding these billboards in cities across the Midwest. Similar billboards appear in Chicago and Indianapolis. We are proud to be a part of this initiative and look forward to more partnering in the future.



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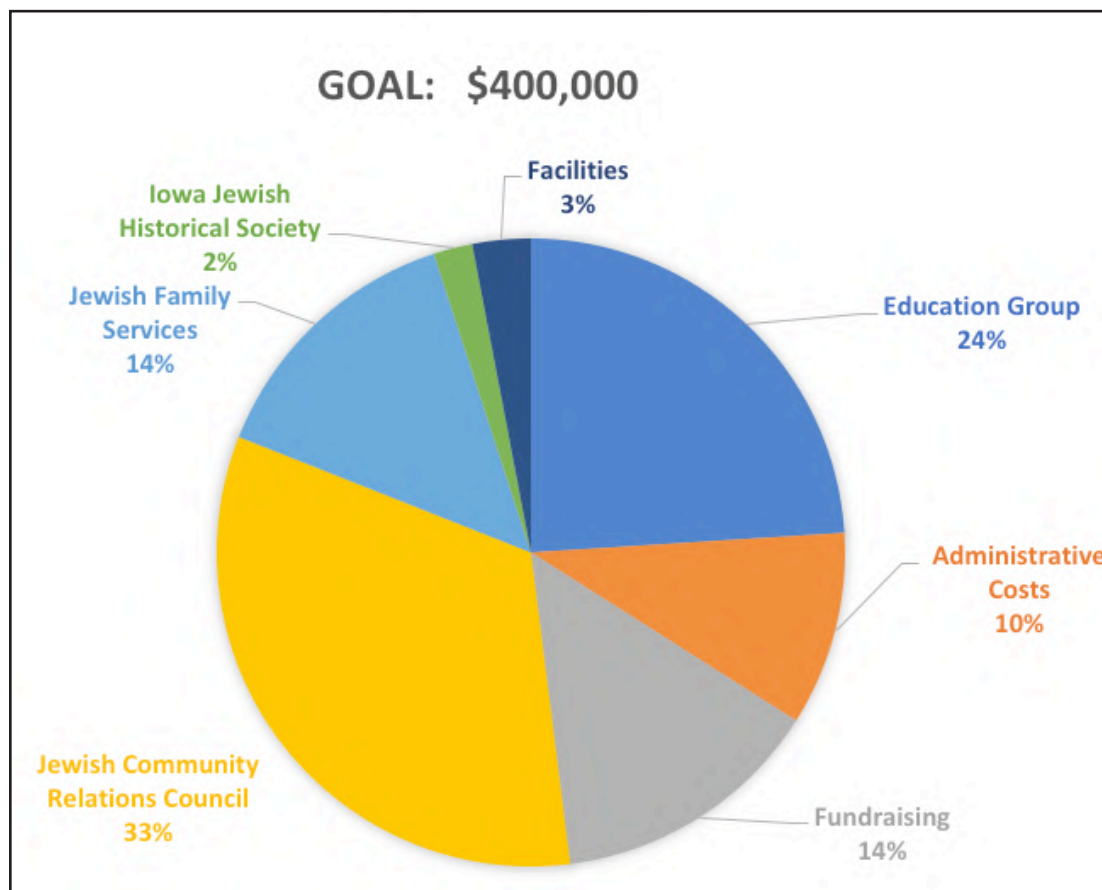
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