Haas Topics: Happy New Year...well, sorta

From the Parnas:
Keep It Fresh

New Judaism 101 Class

Tu Bishvat Social Action
If you are Jewish, in your 20s and 30s and want to meet new people, connect to the community and make a difference - YJS is where you want to be!

Young Jewish Savannah’s goal is to provide meaningful opportunities for engagement in the Jewish community through social and professional networking, community service, Judaic and leadership programs for Jewish young adults in their 20s and 30s.

Young Jewish Savannah is made possible through the Savannah Jewish Federation.

Your Campaign Dollars at Work

We want to hear from you!
For more information about Young Jewish Savannah call Jacqui Drazen at 912-355-8111 or email yjs@savj.org.

We want to get to know you!
New to Savannah and want to get connected?
Want to help plan events?
Have ideas you want to share?
Just want to hang out?
Let us take you for coffee!

**This program is in collaboration with the Savannah Jewish Federation Community Mitzvah Day. For details on other projects going on in the community visit savj.org**

228th ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AND INSTALLATION OF THE NEW PARNAS AND THE NEW BOARD OF ADJUNTA

Sunday, January 27, 4pm

Attendance at this meeting is open to all members. No guests, please.

Per our Constitution, please remember that voting privileges at the Annual Meeting are for full members in good standing only.

There will be a reception following the meeting.

YJS, Let’s get our build on with Habitat for Humanity of the Coastal Empire

Sunday, Jan 20, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Please wear closed toed shoes
Lunch & hard hats will be provided

RSVP to Jacqui at programming@savj.org or by text to get location details.

Join us on Friday, February 15 • 7:00 pm at the Home of Caitlin & Zach Gardner

RSVP to programming@savj.org and we will give you the address
Kabbalat Shabbat Service: 6:00pm

SATURDAY 1/5

Shabbat Morning Service: 11:00am

Weekly Torah Study, 1:00pm

Kiddush lunch sponsored by Anonymous.

FRIDAY 1/11

Young Family Gathering: 5:30pm (ages 4 and under)

Contemporary Shabbat Service led by 6th-8th graders: 6:00pm

Pizza Party and Scavenger Hunt: 7PM (grades K - 5th) RSVP by Jan 10th to 912-233-1547 or rsvp@mickveisrael.org

SATURDAY 1/12

Shabbat Morning Service with special guest speaker Tim McMillan: 11:00am

Weekly Torah Study: 1:00pm

Kiddush lunch sponsored by Margie and B.H. Levy.

FRIDAY 1/18

Kabbalat Shabbat Service: 6:00pm

SATURDAY 1/19

Shabbat Morning Service: 11:00am

Special Guest speaker Leah Kaplan, From Shtetl to Ellis and Beyond: One Woman’s Journey, 12:30

Kiddush lunch sponsored by Dr. Jeffrey A. & Mrs. Ruth F. Cantor in honor of granddaughter Olivia Grace Ogburn.

FRIDAY 1/25

Kabbalat Shabbat Service: 6:00pm

SATURDAY 1/26

Shabbat Morning Service honoring the Board of Adjunta: 11:00am

Weekly Torah Study, 1:00pm

Kiddush lunch sponsored by Betty and Bubba Rosenthal in honor of his last Shabbat as Parnas.

FRIDAY 2/1

Kabbalat Shabbat Service: 6:00pm

SATURDAY 2/2

Shabbat Morning Service with special guests The Savannah Youth Choir: 11:00am

Weekly Torah Study, 1:00pm

Kiddush lunch sponsored by Marilyn Michaels in memory of her husband David.

ABOUT OUR KIDDUSH LUNCHES

Mickve Israel has the best Kiddush lunch program in Savannah (maybe in the U.S.!) thanks to our phenomenal Chef Bryan and our fantastic Kitchen crew. Our tradition of offering a full gourmet meal after Saturday Shabbat services is a wonderful part of our congregation. It promotes a feeling of togetherness and social connection with congregants and guests of all ages gathering, eating and schmoozing.

We are fortunate that many of you are willing and able to sponsor kiddush lunches throughout the year. With almost 50 Shabbat lunches, serving 75 – 100 people each week, it’s not always easy to obtain a sponsor and cover expenses for each one. 2018 was certainly a struggle!

We realize that some of you might like additional opportunities to contribute to our Kiddush lunch fund. Beginning this month, we invite you to sponsor a kiddush lunch individually or with a group of friends in 2019 or contribute to the Kiddush lunch fund. Contributions can be made in honor or memory of a friend or loved one and any amount is greatly appreciated! Please contact the office to make a contribution.
UPCOMING EVENTS

JAN 3
ISRAEL TRIP
INFORMATION MEETING
Thursday, January 3, 6:00pm
Congregation Mickve Israel

JAN 6
WOMEN OF REFORM
JUDAISM SOUTHEAST
DISTRICT AREA DAY
Sunday, January 6, 10:30am
Congregation Mickve Israel
Learn about WRJ programs on leadership, advocacy, social action and much more.

JAN 9
KABBALAH IN SUN CITY
Wednesday, January 9, 10:30am

JAN 11
PIZZA AND
SCAVENGER HUNT
Friday, January 11, 7:00pm
Young families come in your coziest PJ's and eat pizza, ice cream, and compete for prizes in a scavenger hunt! Grades k-5th. Cost: $8 per person, $20 per family. RSVP to the office at 912-233-1547 by Jan 10th.

JAN 13
Mordecai Sheftall
Cemetery Tour
Sunday, January 13, 10:00am
Sisterhood is sponsoring a tour of the Mordecai Sheftall Cemetery with Ellen Byck as our guide. There will be a bus leaving from the JEA at 10am. Please, RSVP Carol Cohen at epc9913@gmail.com or call 912-335-9558.

JAN 19
SHTETL TO ELLIS
AND BEYOND: ONE
WOMAN’S JOURNEY BY
GUEST SPEAKER LEAH
KAPLAN
Saturday, January 19, 12:30pm at CMI
Leah will trace the journey of one immigrant, her maternal grandmother, from shtetl in Belarus to her arrival on Ellis Island.

JAN 20
COMMUNITY MITZVAH
DAY AT THE JEA
Sunday, January 20, 10:00am
Join the Savannah Jewish Community for a day of good deeds and community outreach. There will be projects for all ages and abilities.

JAN 23
OPENING NIGHT
SAVANNAH JEWISH
FILM FEST
Wednesday, January 23, 6:00pm, opening night party 7pm film screening
(See pg 18 for more info)

JAN 27
CONGREGATION
MICKVE ISRAEL
ANNUAL MEETING
AND INSTALLATION OF
THE NEW BOARD OF
ADJUNTA
Sunday, January 27, 3:30PM
Attendance at this meeting is open to all members. No guests, please. Per our Constitution, please remember that voting privileges at the Annual Meeting are for full members in good standing only. There will be a dessert reception following the meeting.

It’s Not Too Late. . .
Israel Beckons!

If you have been considering a trip to Israel, why not consider going with members of your CMI family and Rabbi Haas. The trip will give you ten glorious days to take in many of Israel’s historic and religious sites. Spend a Shabbat in Israel, visit Masada, stroll the markets in Jerusalem, sample nightlife in Tel Aviv, and sip wine in the Golan Heights. All this, and more, in the ancient home of our very own people!

If you are interested in going there is still time to register! Contact Tim at CMI, 912-233-1547, ext. 313 to put your name on the list!

Informational meeting
January 3, 6pm

Chair Yoga at CMI
Mondays at 2pm
taught by Marci Berens
Please join us for fun and fitness at the temple!
RSVP to Marcia at 912-604-2779
Mazel Tov!

Mazel Tov to Susie & Jim Carnes on the birth of their new grandson, David Walton.

Mazel Tov to Elyse Carroll on her marriage to Corey Hohnerlein.

Mazel Tov to Abby and Chris Bruno and grandparents Jim Wellen and Elsa VanThyn on the birth of their son and grandson Cody Wyatt Bruno.

Mazel Tov to the Bossler family on Kate becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

OF BLESSED MEMORY

Mordehay Genoune
father of Orly (Rabbi Steven) Henkin
Thursday, December 13, 2018

Sherman Tanenbaum
brother of Isabel Heller
Sunday, December 16, 2018

Weekly Torah Study
The Book of Genesis
Saturdays after Shabbat Service starting at 1:00pm

Judaica Shop Sale

JANUARY SPECIAL

Enjoy a 20% discount off anything hamsa throughout the entire month of January!

If you or someone you know will be celebrating a special occasion, please send us their information so we can add it in the next Contact. Email: jill@mickveisrael.org. Our next issue will be the February issue, so keep that in mind when sending articles. I will need everything by Friday, January 11th.
Happy New Year....well sorta

Happy Gregorian Calendar New Year to Everyone. I wish you all the best on your New Year’s resolutions......well sorta. I only kinda wish you all the best on your New Year’s resolutions, thanks to one of our favorite Jewish actors/politician/athletes, Arnold Schwarzenegger. In speaking about his recent difficulties in recovering from major heart surgery, he reminisced about the “uphill battle” he faced in helping to improve the fitness industry over the past 50 years. He explained in a CNN interview that back then, “Gyms were scarce, and the ones that existed were often inhospitable dungeons. Doctors warned against lifting weights, telling people it was bad for their health. I knew some movie stars who had discovered the benefits of building their bodies lied and said they were naturally muscular. Even some professional athletes avoided the gym, because of myths that lifting weights would make them musclebound and less mobile.”

The instrumental change he helped to initiate has been incredible. According to Schwarzenegger, “We have come a long way -- more than 60 million Americans are members of health clubs, according to the International Health, Racquet and Sports Club Association, and there are almost as many gyms as there are grocery stores in our country, according to FoodIndustry.com. I love that there are now more accessible places to exercise, whether it’s a boxing gym or yoga studio.”

However, as he spoke about his passion for fitness, he bemoaned the fact that most people forget to take advantage of their gym memberships and how as a country our fitness levels still remain very low. He believes that the best way to correct the problem is to take small steps and refrain from the annual yet unattainable New Year resolutions. “People put too much faith in big moments, believing they’ll suddenly flip a switch and be healthier,” he observs. “There’s no such thing. A healthier future is every tiny step we take, or every little rep, that ultimately leads us to our goal.”

Mr. Schwarzenegger could not have been more Jewish in the way he elucidated his beliefs. Our most famous biblical characters set the precedent as they slowly improved themselves over time, step by step. Most famously we find Jacob setting the example as he begins life in a less than stellar manner, stealing the birthright and blessing from his brother, running away from home, and helping to foster animosity between his brother, his father and himself. Yet, as we watch his story unfold over time, we bear witness to his evolution, as his new name of Israel will become the very name of our nation. He dreams of a ladder from the next world to this one, realizing that each of us must take those small steps every year. For if we try and take too big of a leap while climbing the ladder, we know what just may happen.

Our favorite Jewish Terminator’s challenges us to become more physically fit. “So here's my challenge to you: Don't wait for New Year's Resolutions. Don't wait for your own heart surgery or emergency. Start right now. Don't chase the next big thing. Be better. Today. That's all. If you and your training partner walked 5,000 steps yesterday, walk 5,001 today. If you ate one vegetable yesterday, eat two tomorrow. If you did a pushup for the first time today, do two tomorrow.”

I equally challenge us to think about our resolutions all the time instead of once a year. We may need to improve ourselves physically, spiritually or ethically, but if we only take stock in ourselves once a year, if we only set out to improve ourselves at New Years, we may find our goals to be far too grand to achieve. Instead, let’s take the ladder one step at a time.

I promise to volunteer one more hour during the month of January 2019 then during January of 2018. I hope to eat one less brownie this week then last week. I want to praise my children a little more often and argue with them a little less frequently. Whether you liked Mr. Schwarzenegger best as Conan, the Terminator, a Twin, a Governor, a Body Builder, or as a man recovering from major surgery, his words of advice ring very true. Just like Jacob, may we all continue to climb the ladder of improvement one step at a time, and perhaps one resolution a month instead of a year. Happy New Year!
To My Fellow Congregants:

A few weeks ago I joined many, many others in our congregation at our annual Chanukah Celebration. It was well attended and a truly joyous occasion. As Parnas, I could not be prouder of our congregants, our staff, our Rabbi and family, and all those that have made the year 2018 another successful one.

Under the guidance of Rabbi Haas, over the last several years we have tried several different styles and/or types of services and events. Some have met with great success; others not so much. We’ve tackled traditional events, comedy, music, skits, and more. I can tell you isn’t been boring!

My hope is the Congregation, the new Board and the Public Worship Committee will continue to try those occasional shake-up events to keep things fresh. Recently I heard Kelly singing new and updated versions of our traditional music. I believe a little change once in a while keeps us on our toes and might even wake some people up! Yes, from where I sit, I do see some with the eyes closed in the pews - especially during the Rabbi’s sermons. (Just kidding!)

One of the best changes we have made is our Contact. It contains more information and the lay out is very attractive. Jennifer and Jill have done an outstanding job improving our monthly periodical. Thank you!

For the last two years, I have written articles as your Parnas. This one will be my last. Serving as Parnas has been both a rewarding and at times exhausting experience – and one I wouldn’t have missed for the world! Thank you for entrusting me with the job. Those that know me well, know that I always express my feelings from the heart. Which sometimes gets me in trouble. I don’t expect everyone to agree with me. I just hope everyone will keep an open mind and always listen to each other for the common good.

Sunday, January 27, 2019 at 4:00 pm is our annual meeting. I hope to see everyone there. It is a time of reflection over the events and activities of the past year and a new look toward the future. It will also be my last day serving as your Parnas. But it will not be my last day of service to Congregation Mickve Israel and Savannah’s Jewish Community. I don’t know what the future holds for me but I know the future of our Congregation is bright and wonderful and that I am leaving it in good hands!

I wish everyone a joyous and happy 2019. Hope to see everyone at the annual meeting January 27th.

Bubba

Keep it Fresh

Mordecai Sheftall Cemetery Tour
Sunday, Jan. 13, 10:00am Cost $5.00

Sisterhood is sponsoring a tour of the Mordecai Sheftall Cemetery with Ellen Byck as our guide. There will be a bus leaving from the JEA. There are only 23 seats available, so please, RSVP Carol Cohen at epc9913@gmail.com or call 912-335-9558 and reserve your place for this Savannah Jewish history tour.
Mark the date on your calendars and plan to join with your fellow members of the Savannah Jewish Community on Sunday, January 20 at 10am for a day of good deeds and community outreach. There will be various projects to select from that will be of service to the greater Savannah community. Some projects will be done at the JEA, while others will involve going out to assorted community organizations to lend a helping hand. The community is still finalizing all the various details, but please watch upcoming CMI emails for more specific details. Call the JEA at 912-355-8111 for more information.

Community Mitzvah Day
Modern-day Jews celebrate Tu Bishvat by expressing joy and thankfulness for trees, harvests, and the natural world. Many Jews plant trees at home and in Israel, and eat delicious fruits and greens in celebration of this “New Year of the Trees.” During this agricultural festival, Jews around the world consider our obligation to care for the environment and our sacred responsibility to share the fruits of God’s earth with all.

You can incorporate social justice themes into your Tu Bishvat celebration in the following ways.

**Take Action for the Environment**

On its environmental issues page, the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism (RAC) shares two action alerts on pressing environmentally related legislative issues. Bookmark the RAC’s environmental issues page to keep updated in the future.

**Host a Tu Bishvat Social Action Seder**

Infuse your Tu BiShvat seder with environmental education to give modern meaning to this celebration. Many such seders focus on the natural world and our responsibility to protect it, like this Tu Bishvat seder, published by the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism (RAC) and the North American Federation for Temple Youth (NFTY). In keeping with the nature of this holiday, this seder is a call to action, a time of education and reflection at we examine our impact on the world around us and commit to changing the way we interact with our environment.

**Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**

In honor of Tu Bishvat, make a commitment as a family or with friends to focus on one or more of these environmental practices:

- Reduce waste by buying products that use less packaging.
- Use the reverse side of paper as scrap paper or for art projects.
- Learn about your community’s most up-to-date regulations on recycling.
- Get Back to Nature

Adopting natural areas, such as parks, streams, and roadsides, are projects individuals of all ages can get involved in to enhance the beauty and environmental quality of natural green spaces. Together with family members and friends, you can informally “adopt” an area simply by pledging to clean it regularly and advocating to the local government for its needs; in some areas, more formal adoption programs are available. Cleaning up a natural area near home can make a big difference – not only to the ecological health of the area itself, but to the esteem of the neighborhood around the area. Helping restore such areas may also give local children a safe place to play.

**Prepare an Organic Oneg**

Organic food is produced according to organic standards, which means crops are grown without the use of conventional pesticides or artificial fertilizers, animals are reared without the routine use of antibiotics or growth hormones, and food is processed without ionizing radiation or food additives. Introduce congregants to organic foods by organizing an “organic oneg” in which community members bring to the synagogue organic produce and foods for a Shabbat dinner or oneg. Alternatively, host an “organic tasting” where blindfolded attendees are asked to taste different foods and determine which are organic and which are not. This program allows members to see for themselves that organic food tastes just as good as “regular” food and educates members about safe food measures. Include traditional Tu Bishvat foods like barley, dates, figs, grapes, pomegranates, olives, and wheat, which are native to Israel.

To learn more about environmental justice and how you can get involved, visit the Religious Action Center’s environment issues page. You can learn about the GreenFaith Energy Shield program, which guides congregations to become leaders in sustainable practices, and you can take action by urging your Members of Congress to support funding to help vulnerable communities adapt to the impacts of climate change.

Source: Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism

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**Save the Date!**

**Community Mitzvah Day**

January 20

Join us as we participate in a variety of activities and "plant kindness" around the Savannah community

Want to get involved? Have a suggestion for an organization for us to partner with?

Contact Orly Henkin at orlyhenkin@savj.org
Welcome New Members

**Dr. Paul and Mindy Bradley**, Tybee Island residents, know a number of people at Mickve Israel and had the pleasure of having their daughter and son-in-law married by Rabbi Haas. They and their children have enjoyed services at Mickve Israel and they are therefore joining our congregation as well as keeping their long-time affiliation at Congregation B’nai Brith Jacob (BBJ) here in Savannah.

Visiting their daughter and her family here several years ago, **Raymond and Rhea Schneider** from Baton Rouge, LA, attended a Passover seder at Mickve Israel where they were warmly greeted by Rabbi Haas and a number of our members. They have now moved to Savannah, enjoying living next door to their daughter, son-in-law and two grandchildren, and pleased to be members of Mickve Israel. Rhea, originally from Montgomery, AL, is a retired 3rd grade teacher and Ray is a retired professor in plant pathology where he was on the faculty at LSU for approximately 30 years.

**Stephen and Denise Sultan** live in Florida and on their visit to Savannah this fall researched local synagogues in order to attend Kol Nidre and Yiskor services. They were impressed and touched by the history and beauty of Mickve Israel and, wishing to be supportive of one of the oldest congregations in the U.S., they are joining our congregation as family members in order to provide that ongoing support. They will continue to reside in Florida but hope to visit Mickve Israel again in the future.

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**NORM’S BACKPACK BUDDIES**

Many thanks to everyone who continue to support Norm’s BackPack Buddies program. We are in a critical need for individual boxes of cereal, grits, and/or oatmeal.

Also, we continue to collect toiletries, individual packaged toothbrushes, toothpaste, small bottles of mouthwash, etc.

The Board of Adjuncta approved our request to provide gift cards to each of the recipients in our program. Just before the holiday break, each student was given a $15.00 gift card from Kroger’s. We are sure this gesture brought more smiles to the children’s faces.

If you want to get involved and be part of our team, please call me for more information. Marcia Berens 598-9760 or 604-2779

Quote of the month: *When we treat others kindly, fairly, and lovingly, we are truly living Torah.*

Volunteer testimonial from Andrea Matthews:

*It always amazes me when people focus on child hunger OUTSIDE of the United States - they think there is no such problem here, but WE all know better. I'm proud to volunteer for BackPack Buddies which provides lunches to children for the weekends. It is a carefully thought out meal plan to make sure they have milk, juice, the correct amount of protein, cereal, fruits, vegetables and some healthy snacks are thrown in. The people who work in this program are all so dedicated and we work hard, yet we still have fun because everyone is such a joy to be around. I'm proud to be a part of this program.*
What a wonderful wrap up we had to our 2018-2019 first semester! We have an such a busy year, full of learning, laughter and joy! On December 9th, our students treated families and friends to a spectacular Hanukkah performance filled with songs and skits. Our students practiced and really showcased their skills! We can definitely see a future in theatre for some of them! After the performance, our families were treated to a delicious latke and doughnut party generously sponsored by the Mickve Israel Sisterhood where we were also presented with a check. We are so grateful for the support of our community. See you in January!

Shalom School

YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

Pizza Party and Scavenger Hunt

Friday, Jan 11 at 7pm (after service)

Cost: $8/person $20/family
RSVP by Jan 10 to rsvp@mickveisrael.org
For grades K - 5th
A great time was had by all at the Hanukkah Party held at the Shalom School on December 9th. It was held in the Mordecai Sheftal Memorial Hall after Sunday school. Sisterhood presented funds to Shalom School for scholarships. Over 150 children and parents attended the event. Thanks to Marc Friedman for making over 500 latkes and to Cheryl Ross for organizing the event. It was a wonderful time for the children to shine and get involved in the Hanukkah spirit!

The 6th annual Gift Wrap fundraiser at the Savannah Mall, held from Sunday, December 16th- Monday, December 24th was another huge success. The gift wrapping project raises money for Sisterhood, as well as for the Second Harvest Food Bank and Backpack Buddies. Thanks to Anita Homansky and all the volunteers who gave their time to make this worthwhile event such an incredible success!

Led by Gail Kaplan, Hospice Thanksgiving was an event that was much appreciated and enjoyed by both the staff and families. Visiting hospice is not always a happy experience. However, on this day Sisterhood volunteers provided the warmth and delicious food that is associated with this day- a true mitzvah!

And, last, but not least, let us not forget that the Sisterhood of Mickve Israel is hosting a WRJ (Women of Reform Judaism), Area Day on January 6th, 2019. A continental breakfast and lunch will be included. All women of the congregation are invited and urged to fill out the WRJ form and mail to Mindy Grinnan, with a check for $20.00. This will be a day when women from the southeast will come together for a meaningful, spiritual, and empowering experience. We hope to see you there!
Women of Reform Judaism
Southeast District

AREA DAY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2019 10:30AM-3PM

Hosted by Congregation Mickve Israel
20 East Gordon St, Savannah, GA 31401

With Cheryl Raskind-Hood
WRJ Southeast District President
Mindy Grinnan
WRJ Southeast District Treasurer

So, What’s an Area Day?

• A taste of WRJ where something special happens when women come together for meaningful, spiritual & empowering opportunities.
• A chance to learn about programs to share with your sisters incl. one that weaves tradition with contemporary called ‘leaving a colorful memory’
• Enjoy a special museum tour too!

Programs You Can Take Back Include:
△ Leadership  △ YES Fund
△ Advocacy  △ Ritual / Tradition
△ Social Action  △ Chai Mitzvah
△ Membership Recruitment/Retention

Cost:  Only $20, incl. continental breakfast, lunch & supplies; RSVP By December 30th

Checks payable to: WRJ SE District
Send to:  Mindy Grinnan | 6074 Shadehill Rd. | Jacksonville, FL 32258

Social Action Project
Backpack Buddies

The mission of Backpack Buddies is to provide low-income children with nutrition that they may otherwise not have on weekends away from school.

Bring with you to donate healthy individually-wrapped snacks like juice boxes, raisins, nuts, crackers, etc.

INTERNATIONAL
March of the Living

Next Generation Trip
April 29 - May 10, 2019

Are you between the ages of 22-39? Have you ever wanted to go on March of the Living?!

Now is your chance!

Application deadline: January 14

One-time opportunity for first time participants (ages 22-39): $2,500
This special subsidized price provided by the International March of the Living has a further subsidy for Savannah area supporters. The Dena Yaschik Bedziner Memorial Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation of Savannah will provide an additional $1,000 subsidy* for up to 10 participants making the cost of $1,500.

Want more information? Email Jamie Richman at campaign@savj.org.

*Additional Savannah subsidy subject to a minimum gift of $500 to the 2019 Annual Campaign plus residency and participation requirements.
The generosity we receive does not go unnoticed. We thank everyone who supports Congregation Mickve Israel through contributions, participation, volunteerism and other means. A special thank you to those listed below who have given Honor Dues. Please consider joining this special group by giving Honor Dues in 2018.

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**Martin Kirschbaum, Jr Jewish War Veterans Post 320**

**cordially invites you to the**

**Change of Command and Officer Installation Brunch**

**with a tribute to Eric Meyerhoff**

**for his design, construction, and installation of the WW II Memorial**

“A World Apart”

**Sunday, January 13 at 10am**

**Jewish Educational Alliance**
Who is eligible?

Families with children ages 6 months to 8 years old and at least one Jewish parent currently residing in the Savannah area can register at PJLibrary.org or pjlibrary@savj.org or 912.355.8111.

Ages 9-11

Families with children ages 9 to 11 years old and at least one Jewish parent in the household, currently residing in the Savannah area can register at PJOurWay.org.

What does it cost?

PJ Library® is free for those who qualify for the program. One subscription per child.

Thank you to our generous local donors, PJ Library, Jane Slotin, Nancy & Leon Slotin, and the Ceceile Richman JEA Fund.

Did you know?


Stay up to date! Follow us on Facebook @ PJ Library Savannah.

**This project is in collaboration with the Savannah Jewish Federation.**

Want to get involved in MLK Day of Community Mitzvah? Visit savj.org for details on other projects going on in the community.
# JANUARY 2019

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The JEA and Savannah Jewish Federation present
The Joan and Murray Gefen Memorial
Savannah Jewish Film Festival 2019

Festival Ticket Info

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**Single Movie Tickets**
- Community Members: $12.00<br>- JEA Members: $10.00

**Meal & Movie Tickets**
- Lunch $17 for Community Members & $15 for JEA Members<br> Dinner: $25 for Community Members & $30 for JEA Members

Paid meal reservations must be made at least two days in advance of the movie screening.

(No meal walk-ins can be accommodated)

**Full Festival Pass**
- Admits one person to all films & opening night party<br> Community Members: $120.00<br> JEA Members: $100.00

**Purchase Full Festival Passes Online at**
- For more details on Films, Tickets, Meals & Sponsorship information visit SavannahJEA.org

Please contact Jacqui Drazen at programming@savj.org for any questions or to get information about sponsorships

**Additional Information**
- The Full Festival Pass is for MOVIES ONLY. Payments for Dinner reservations are made separately.
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