

Iyar 5782 - May 2022 Coalition for Jewish Learning E-Newsletter

May / Iyar is the month of the Yamim and also a time for the school year to wind down.

CJL is currently planning next year's LOMED classes. If you have ideas of courses you would like to see, please let me know.

I hope to see you at one of the community events this month.

Good luck with the end of the school year.

Tuporal

Holidays in Iyar Yom HaZikaron Wednesday, May 4

(Observed by the Milwaukee Jewish Community On Tuesday, May 3 at 6 pm at the Harry & Rose Samson Family JCC. Details and registration at <u>MilwaukeeJewish.org/Yamim</u>.)

Yom HaZikaron is Israel's Memorial Day. On this day, we commemorate Israeli fallen soldiers and all those killed by terrorist attacks.

Yom HaAtzmaut Thursday, May 5

(Observed by the Milwaukee Jewish Community on Sunday, May 15 at 2 pm at the Harry & Rose Samson Family JCC.Details and registration at <u>MilwaukeeJewish.org/Yamim</u>.)

Yom HaAtzmaut is Israel's Independence Day. It celebrates the creation of Israel 73 years ago.

Lag B'Omer Thursday, May 19

Lag B'Omercelebrates the 33rd day in the counting of the Omer (these

are the days between *Pesach* and Shavuot). On this day, a plague that killed 24,000 of Rabbi Akiva's students finally came to an end and his students stopped dying. It is also the *yahrzeit* (anniversary of death) of Rabbi Shimon bar Yochi, the author of the *Zohar* (core text of Kabbalah, Jewish mysticism). Before his death, he requested that the anniversary of his death be a day of celebration, not of sorrow. Today *Lag B'Omer* is celebrated with bonfires, picnics, archery, and many 3 year old boys getting their first haircuts.

Yom Yerushalayim Sunday, May 29

Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Day) celebrates the reunification of Jerusalem in 1967 during the Six Day War. This year marks 54 years since Jerusalem was once again a place open to people of all religions to visit their holy sites and worship.

Resources

Resources for teaching about the holidays in lyar:

- Yom Hashoah
- Yom Hazikaron and Yom Ha'atzmaut
- Lag B'Omer

Videos

- <u>Israel</u>
- Lag B'Omer

BINAH

This month, the BINAH (Building Inquiry-based Network through Hevruta) Fellowship was able to meet in person (no hybrid). It was a delight to be together to learn about Attuned Listening and Attuned speaking.

We will be starting another BINAH cohort in the fall. The program is a year long commitment to monthly learning. It is open to teachers in any local Jewish schools. There is a \$500 stipend on completion of the program. If you are interested in joining the 2022-2023 cohort, contact <u>Tzipi</u>.







Kesher Inclusion Korner by Jennifer Saber

Jennifer Saber is the CJL Inclusion Specialist. Each month she will share classroom tips for inclusion.

Disabilities can be seen or go unseen by teachers. We are living in a world where pandemic life circumstances have affected our students in different ways. A diagnosis with written documentation gives black and white instruction for meeting a student's needs. But what about the hidden special needs of our youth? May is Mental Health Awareness Month. This is an opportunity to bring awareness to all that is hidden away from plain sight. To raise awareness, The Jewish Education Project in New York has curated a collection of resources. These are intended to support Jewish educators in an exploration of mental health issues through a Jewish lens with our children and teens in our classrooms and youth groups. Check the resources out <u>here</u>.

For inclusion support in your setting, please contact Jennifer Saber, Kesher Inclusion Specialist, at <u>jennifers@milwaukeejewish.org</u>.

Inclusion Teen Training

On Sunday, April 10, 2022, teens from across the Milwaukee community gathered for the latest session of Inclusion Teen Training. Jennifer Saber (Kesher Inclusion Specialist) and Leah Stein (Friendship Circle) led the 7th through 12th graders in experiential activities on how to build relationships (with students, special friends and peers) and practical skills to work towards their partner finding success during an activity.













LOMED: Learning Opportunities for Milwaukee Educators

LOMED classes are open to all educators working at Milwaukee Jewish schools. The \$300 stipend for completing 10 hours of training is available to all teachers participating in the program.

LOMED Lunch & Learns

All about the Ten Plagues Wednesday, May 18, 2022, 12-1 pm Through Zoom Video Conference <u>here</u>

All about the Splitting of the Red Sea Tuesday, June 14, 2022, 12-1 pm Through Zoom Video Conference <u>here</u>

All about Mt. Sinai Wednesday, July 13, 2022, 12-1 pm Through Zoom Video Conference <u>here</u>

Watch recordings of past Lunch & Learns (**not for credit**) <u>here</u>.

LOMED classes are over for this year. Watch Recorded LOMED classes for <u>Credit</u>.

Click for Class Links

In the Community

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YAMIM 2022

Three special days -YAMIM - for our community to come together to honor the resilience and miraculous journey of the Jewish people.



Yom HaShoah Holocaust Remembrance Day

Vednesday, April 27 • 6 pm

Co-Chairs: Dr. Amy Shapiro & Leo Kleiner

Stand with the Milwaukee community in memorial to the Six Million and in remembrance of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising and all resistance. Held in the Daniel M. Soref Community Hall

eatured Guest

Pinchas Gutter was born in 1932, in Lodz, Poland, into a Hasidic family that could trace their Polish roots back 400 hundred years. His father and grandfather owned one of the largest wineries in Poland. Pinchas, his parents and twin sister lived in the Warsaw ghetto during the uprising, before being discovered and deported to Majdanek, where all but Pinchas were murdered. Pinchas would go on to survive six concentration camps before his liberation in 1945 in Theresienstadt. Pinchas will reflect on what was lost during the Holocaust and on why preserving Holoca survivor testimonies are so important. ust

Yom HaZikaron Israel's Day of Remembrance May 3 • 6 n

Co-Chairs: Bobbi Rector & Peter Klein

loin in honoring Israel's victims of terror and fallen soldiers and veterans of the Israel Defense Forces and other Israeli security services.

Held in the Daniel M. Soref Community Hall

Featured Guest Shulamit "Shuli" Mualem-Rafaeli is an Israeli nurse and past member of the Knesset. In 1997, her husband Moshe was one of 73 Israeli soldiers killed in what is known as the "helicopter disaster." After his death, she served as Deputy and Acting Chairman of the IDF Widows and Orphans organization. She also wrote several posthumous letters to her husband, which were published in a book, "My beloved Mualem." Shuli will reflect on the 25 year commemoration of the traffic collision of two Israeli Air Force transport helicopters ferrying Israeli soldiers.

Yom HaAtzmaut Israel's Independence Day Sunday, May 15 • 2 pm

Co-Chairs: Robin & Steven Arenzon

Join us IN PERSON for Wisconsin's largest celebration of Israel! Held on the outside grounds of the ICC

Opening Ceremony & Walk for Israel

2pm Celebration

3-4:30 pm Family Activities

• Games

 Music Israeli/Kosher food available for purchase

Details and registration: Milwaukeelewish.org/Yamim All events take place at the Harry & Rose Samson Family Jewish Community Center



Don't forget to register for the Teen Philanthropy Board Grant Ceremony for a celebration of the board's accomplishments and the presentation of grants to this year's nonprofit recipients.

Sunday, May 22 at 7 pm

Harry and Rose Samson Family Jewish Community Center Daniel M. Soref Community Hall 6255 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Whitefish Bay

RSVP Now

Light refreshments, kosher laws will be observed Please RSVP by Monday, May 16

The Milwaukee Jewish Teen Philanthropy Board is a community program that engages 9th through 12th grade Jewish teens in a communal giving and learning effort to achieve our goal of *Tikkun Olam*, "repairing the world".

2021-2022 Teen Philanthropy Board Members

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Please contact Jen Saber at JenniferS@MilwaukeeJewish.org with any questions.

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SHOFAR, an initiative of Jewish Family Services, Inc. and the Milwaukee Jewish Federation, calls on all community members to reach out to loved ones who may be at

increased risk for violence in their relationships during this time. If you or someone you know is in danger, remember that you/they are not alone.

GET HELP NOW

ABOUT THE COALITION FOR JEWISH LEARNING

The Coalition for Jewish Learning, the Education Department of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation, promotes and advances Jewish education in the greater Milwaukee community, provides a support system for the community's institutions of Jewish learning, and forges coalitions to ensure excellence in Jewish education.

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"Ben Zoma says: Who is the wise one? One who learns from all people, as it says, 'I have acquired understanding from my teachers.'"

- Pirkei Avot 4:1

