



# The JSC Newsletter

Newsletter of the Cleveland Jewish Secular Community

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## Upcoming Events

**Sun Dec. 2** — Board Meeting

**Fri Dec. 7** — Chanukah, Veronica Dahlberg,  
Founder of HOLA

## Shabbat Dinner and Chanukah Program Friday, Dec. 7, 2018

**First Unitarian Church**, 21600 Shaker  
Blvd.

Speaker: Virginia Dahlberg whose topic is:  
"The Impact of 'Zero Tolerance' Immigration  
Policies."

Ms. Dahlberg is founder and director of  
HOLA, a grassroots Latino organization  
focusing on community organizing,  
leadership development, and civic  
engagement.

There will be a brief Chanukah candle  
lighting ceremony.

Meet and mingle at **6:30 pm**  
Shabbat program at **6:45 pm**  
Potluck dinner at **7:00 pm**  
Speaker **8:00 - 9:00 pm**

**NOTE:** We will be using a check-in list at all  
Shabbat programs. Your RSVP is important  
to help us plan for food and room set-up.  
Guests may attend two Shabbat programs  
at no charge.

**RSVP by Wed. Dec 5**, to Peg Fishman at  
(440) 349-1330 or [pegfishman@gmail.com](mailto:pegfishman@gmail.com).

Last names **A-L** and **R-Z** bring a side dish or  
salad for 6 (couples please bring enough for  
12); **M-P** bring a dessert for 10 (couples  
please bring enough for 20). Please bring a  
list of ingredients and pre-cut if possible.  
The community will provide chicken, challah,  
wine, drinks, and all serving utensils.

## 2018-2019 Friday Shabbat Programs

**Jan 18**, Tu B'Shvat, Daniel Brown, Feed  
People Not Landfills

**Feb. 15**, Laura DeMarco, Cleveland Then and  
Now

**March 22**, Purim (TBA)

**April 12**, Jo Steigerwald, Seeds of Literacy

**May 10**, Jan Ridgeway, Garden Valley  
Neighborhood Center

## Calling All Writers

The editorial policy of the newsletter will be  
nonpartisan, balanced, and receptive to opposing  
points of view. Items of opinion do not represent  
the "official" position of the JSC or its Board of  
Trustees. We welcome attributed letters with  
comments, rebuttals, or new information. Subject  
only to space, time, interest to fellow members,  
and editorial constraints, your article, told in your  
own words, will be gratefully accepted.

## Community Service



### Once again, it's the season of giving.

The National Council of Jewish Women is sponsoring Operation Warm-Up, a community collection of winter clothing for those in need.

You've been generous in the past years, so we know you'll do your part at the **December 7 Chanukah/Shabbat** when we'll be collecting the following:

- **New/gently used boots**
- **New men's and women's underwear**
- **New men's and women's socks**
- **New/gently used scarves, gloves and winter hats for men, women, and children**

### Christmas at Montefiore

Over the years, JSC members have given of their time volunteering at Montefiore. If you have not participated, consider helping in a number of ways: You can be a wheelchair escort transporting residents to a number of activities; you can lead activities such as sing-alongs, bingo, book discussions or current events; you can help assist in the Posh Nosh Café Snack Shop and McCart Gift Shop. Without volunteers to staff them, these important amenities would not be available to residents.

Let's continue the JSC tradition and volunteer on Tuesday, **December 25**, Christmas day, to help transport residents to and from the chapel and participate with them in the planned program. The hours: **11 a.m. to 2 p.m.** To sign up, contact **Sandy Guth**, JSC Community Chair, **216-291-5869**.

## Celebrating the Life of Howard Heuer

There will be a memorial service celebrating the life of Howard Heuer, Rifke Feinstein's oldest son, who passed away on November 13, after losing a brave battle against advanced pancreatic cancer

Join family and friends on Saturday, **December 1, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

**Steele Mansion Inn & Gathering Hub**  
**348 Mentor Ave.**  
**Painesville, OH 44077**

Includes music, food, and highlights of Howard's life.

Howard's brother Michael requests that you dress in colors that reflect Howard's vibrant and colorful personality.

Our deepest condolences to Rifke, Hans, and the entire Feinstein and Heuer families.

## Jottings

Some of you are "into" bird watching. Now that most of the leaves have fallen, there is no better time than now to indulge yourself in this ritual with nature, and no better place than the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes.

Click on the link below and JSC member Christi Carlson will be your guide.

<http://www.cleveland19.com/2018/11/06/fall-bird-walks-shaker-lakes-attracts-birders/>

## Good & Welfare

**When you're having some medical issues**, it's nice to get a little cheering up. If you know of a JSC member who fits this description, contact Debbie Schwab -- Good and Welfare, 440-248-3030 -- and Debbie will get out a personal, "Hope You're Feeling Better" greeting. Be sure to send Debbie good news, too.

# Happy Chanukah 2018



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**Please fill out the following food identification label and bring it along with your dish. This will allow members to:**

- determine whether or not they can or want to eat the food that you brought, due to allergies, sensitivities, or general likes/dislikes
- talk to you about the dish you brought
- thank you if they love the dish you brought
- ask you for the recipe

<p>Food Identification</p> <hr/> <p>Name of Food</p> <hr/> <p>Brought by</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Gluten Free</b> (contains <b>NO</b> wheat, barley, rye, oats)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vegetarian</b> (contains <b>NO</b> animal products)</p> <p>Contains other allergens, including: <input type="checkbox"/> Eggs <input type="checkbox"/> Fish <input type="checkbox"/> Soy <input type="checkbox"/> Shellfish <input type="checkbox"/> Tree Nuts <input type="checkbox"/> Peanuts <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p><i>Please list carefully as those with allergies can have severe and harmful reactions.</i></p>
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**– Lori Berenson**

## The JSC Mission

*The Jewish Secular Community, affiliated with the Congress of Secular Jewish Organizations, is a non-profit cultural and educational organization whose purpose is to:*

- ✧ *Encourage Jewish identification in a non-theistic setting that draws inspiration from the traditional Jewish sources and values*
- ✧ *Educate adults in the history, culture, and tenets of Judaism*
- ✧ *Celebrate and observe Jewish holidays and life cycle events*
- ✧ *Contribute to the betterment of our society through social action and volunteerism*
- ✧ *Provide a link to a world-wide community of secular Jews*

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