Ninth Annual Gainesville Jewish Film Festival

By Jack Kugelmass, Director, Center for Jewish Studies at UF

The Jewish Film Festival returns to Gainesville’s historic Hippodrome Cinema in mid-March. The annual festival is marking its 9th year and it will once again feature twelve or more films, almost all new releases. Most are produced in Israel where many quality Jewish films are made today and many of them are documentaries. For those who prefer feature films, here’s one thing to bear in mind. Whether fiction or not, the festival opens with *Black Honey*, a stunning documentary about the greatest Jewish poet of the 20th century, Avraham Sutzkever.

Also featured in this year’s festival is *Working Woman*, a timely and disturbing feature film about a woman who sells real estate to French clients in Netanya and whose seemingly supportive boss has inappropriate intentions towards her. Disturbing in a very different way is the film *Cause of Death* in which a man strives to uncover what took place when his brother, a police officer, was killed during a terrorist attack.

A title that viewers won’t be able to see at mainstream theaters is Claude Lanzmann’s final documentary that he wrote and directed before his passing last year. Do not miss *Shoah: Four Sisters*, Lanzmann’s epic follow-up to his signature work, *Shoah*. Other titles included in this year’s lineup are the delightful documentary *Rachel Agmon*, the underdog story *The Unorthodox* and an episode of the hilarious Canadian comedy, *Yidlife Crisis*.

Look for a complete list of festival offerings and the screening schedule in the March edition of The Chronicle. The Gainesville Jewish Film Festival opens on Sunday, March 17 and will run through Saturday, March 30. For more information and to purchase tickets and passes, please go to www.JCNCF.org or contact the JCNCF office at 352.371.3846.

Tikkun Olam with Barbara Oberlander

By Dawn Burgess Krop, Past President, JCNCF

Question, dear Reader. Other than your parents, who was one of the most important figures in your formative years? If you answer “a teacher”, you fall in the majority, because teachers nurture us, challenge us, provide information, and shape our humanity. Great teachers inspire a love of learning. Barbara Oberlander has worn many hats throughout her life, but she is a teacher through and through. Because Barbara shares her gift of the joy of learning, our community is ever thirsty for Barbara’s offerings.

Barbara Marks was born in Boston, the youngest of three sisters. Neither of her parents attended college and Barbara recalls her mother’s frustration with not having an education and her father’s determination that his daughters would go to college. Barbara attended Girl’s Latin High School in Boston and went on to attend Wellesley College.

Barbara met Herb Oberlander at a store where she was working. She was a high school senior, he had moved to Boston from New Hampshire and was a freshman in college. Herb attended University of Connecticut and they married in 1962 after she graduated from Wellesley with the honor of Phi Beta Kappa.

The couple moved to Cleveland for Herb to pursue his Ph.D. in developmental biology at Case Western Reserve University and Barbara worked in the field of Jewish education for 31 years. She is an emeritus member of the board of the Jewish Community Center in Cleveland and a former board member of the Cleveland Jewish Publication Company.

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PJ Library & PJ Our Way

By Debbi Kinman-Ford, Co-Coordinator
PJ Library North Central Florida

PJ Library is in its tenth year here in north central Florida. As we are growing, we are adding several new things to our area. First, we are partnering with B’nai Israel Community Day School and have created a lending library for parents. Housed directly outside the day school, the lending library (built by J. Haas, a day school parent) has books on Judaism and Jewish parenting. We are very excited to be offering a resource to our parents and invite you stop by any day and grab a book!

Next, we are building on our PJ Our Way programs. In February, we will be hosting a PJOW scavenger hunt exclusively for our 8-11-year-olds. We have also started surveying our PJOW kids to see what things they would be interested in doing. Finally, we are excited that the day school has become a PJ Library Goes to School partner. This allows the staff at B’nai Israel to get trainings on how to use PJ Library books in the classroom as well as to get several boxes of PJ Library books to use. Look for more details in the coming months.

Ocala’s Congregation Beth Israel Spreads Kindness with JCNCF

By Elaine Morrison and Mary Chang,
Congregation Beth Israel

On November 28, a gaggle of giggling ladies gathered together in the home of Mary Chang to make kindness packages to distribute to Jewish residents in local Senior Facilities in celebration of Hanukkah. The ladies, members of the Beth Israel Sisterhood, visited the facilities and participated in some of the traditional Hanukkah activities which included, singing songs, playing the dreidel game, eating potato latkes and giving gifts. It is always a rewarding time for both the givers and the recipients. This year, the gift packages included warm Hanukkah-designed socks, dreidels, pens, gold coin chocolates and handwritten cards of warm wishes.

Goodies of all kinds were set out by hostess Mary Chang, and good conversation and conviviality was exchanged as the packages were filled and wrapped.

With a quartet of ladies to deliver our kindness bags, things ran very smoothly. The Jewish residents at the Bridge, Lifecare, Brookdale Pinecastle, Brentwood, Canterfield, and Pacifica were just thrilled to receive their gifts. Included among them were three parents and a sister of our members as well as a couple of friends we have known for years!

In conjunction with our kindness bags, we also held Hanukkah programs at two of our assisted living facilities. What a joy it was to hold our programs this year at Canterfield and Brookdale Pinecastle! Between the two, we had about forty-five residents participate. While Fredda led the presentation at Pinecastle and Mary at Canterfield, our two violinists, Judy Hague and Judy Lankes performed at both leading all in songs for Hanukkah. All residents enjoyed food prepared by the facility and at both that included the traditional latkes. Afterward the residents really enjoyed playing the dreidel game; in fact, they didn’t want to stop!
and Barbara achieved a master’s degree in American and European History. Upon receiving his doctorate, Herb was awarded a National Science Foundation scholarship, and they lived in Switzerland for a year. Barbara offers that she studied German and “played.”

Herb and Barbara found their way back to the Boston area where Herb taught at Brandeis University and Barbara pursued her Ph.D. at Brandeis in the History of American Civilization. Upon completing her doctorate in 1971, they moved to Gainesville where Herb began work as a Research Scientist, and later, Lab Director, with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Barbara began teaching part-time at Santa Fe College and taught full time in 1975, retiring thirty years later in 2005 as a Professor Emeritus in History.

Barbara’s life cannot be described without including Herb, her husband of 54 years, whom she lost in April 2016. Like Barbara, Herb was a leader in our community, and twice served as president of Congregation B’nai Israel and guided the purchase of the current property and building and the hiring of long-time rabbi, Allan Lehmann. Herb served on the Ritual Committee and was a constant force in the leadership of B’nai Israel. Herb retired in 2001 as USDA administrator. Upon retirement, Herb went to massage school and maintained a practice as well as being the first massage therapist at Haven Hospice. He was involved in the conception of the Institute for Learning in Retirement at Oak Hammock.

Barbara has given so many talks in our community, it is impossible to enumerate them here. She regularly gives lectures to the Friendship Circle and is a popular speaker at events for women. She lectures at The Village, Altrusa, AAUW, and Oak Hammock. She is the recipient of many awards of distinction honoring her service. Barbara has taught classes on “First Ladies from Martha to Laura” and highlights women in history, her favorite being Ruth Bader Ginsburg. She was requested to be on the board of the Institute for Learning in Retirement. Her talks on Orphan Trains has also garnered much interest. She is currently presenting a Jewish Women’s Series, “Radicals, Rebels, and Reformers,” which highlights Bella Abzug, Betty Friedan, Barbara Streisand, and other Jewish leaders.

Mitzvah Makers is a community service organization, previously a secret group, with the concept being that tzedakah is ideally achieved without recognition. Barbara has tirelessly chaired Mitzvah Makers, maintained the records and coordinated the distribution of one-time grants. Although the recipients of Mitzvah Makers do not know their benefactors, the group is well known among social service agencies who are always trying to help desperately needy individuals and families. Barbara’s tireless service to Mitzvah Makers is truly a mitzvah.

A little-known fact is that Barbara and Esta Kress founded the library at Congregation B’nai Israel and invented their own catalogue system unique to the requirements of a Jewish library. Barbara has served on the B’nai Israel board, the JCNCF board, and currently serves on the Grants Committee for JCNCF. She also co-chaired the Community Holocaust Remembrance Committee.

Two children blessed Herb and Barbara’s life. Jonathan is 51 and is the Chair of the Department of Social Medicine at the University of North Carolina. His specialty is healthcare and his wife, Krista, is a health economist, also at UNC. Beth, 45, lives in Jacksonville and is the Quality Assurance Director for the Child Guidance Clinic and is a social worker. Beth’s daughter, Dahlia, is a freshman in high school and the mere mention of her brings a sparkle to Barbara’s eyes. Herb’s sister, Roz Slater and her husband Phil, retired from Miami to live in Gainesville and become beloved members of our community. One of Barbara’s pleasures is restorative time at the beach where she owns a “little blue house.” She offers that Herb always said that she was “good for another 10,000 miles” after spending time at the beach.

Barbara offers that she “loves” to teach and fondly recalls her years of teaching at night at Santa Fe College with their mixture of population from people in surrounding areas, and especially, all the women who were returning to school during life changing phases. Barbara’s love of teaching has been a blessing to our community, and we have loved learning from her and sharing her passion for learning. Her fierce dedication to learning, teaching, and kindness have enriched us immeasurably and we are grateful for her service to our community.
Israel In Brief: News and Updates

By Ralph Lowenstein

Many Jewish Leaders Abandoned Women’s March Last Month

Many prominent Jewish women leaders and organizations abandoned the annual Women’s March in January because of perceived anti-Semitism and anti-Israel comments. The most prominent boycott of the march was from Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz of Florida, who had participated in the first two marches. Among her reasons, she said, was the failure of March co-leader Tamika Mallory to “clearly denounce” Louis Farrakhan, who has a long history of anti-Semitism. Farrakhan, the Nation of Islam leader, recently referred to Jews as “termites” who secretly ran America. Mallory attended Farrakhan speeches and referred to him as “GOAT” – the Greatest Of All Time. Other women in the leadership were strong supporters of the BDS (“boycott, divestment, sanction”) movement to punish Israel.

Also boycotting the March this year, for similar reasons, were Hadassah, the National Council of Jewish Women, the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue in New York City, and the American Jewish Committee. (Jewish Telegraph Agency)

Is There Waning Support for Israel By a Majority of American Jews?

According to American historian Rafael Medoff, it is not true that there has been a significant decrease recently in support for Israel by American Jews because of controversial policies by Israeli politicians. Annual polling by the American Jewish Committee, he said, has found this generally-accepted opinion to be false. A JC polls for the last 20 years, he said, show that, regardless of who the prime minister was, 70 to 75 percent of American Jews have said they care “strongly” or “somewhat strongly” about Israel. The percentage who care “strongly” about Israel (as opposed to “somewhat strongly”) has actually increased over the years. It was in the 20s in 1997-2002, the 30s from 2003 to 2015, and reached the 40s in each of the past three years. Medoff is the founding director of the David Wyman Institute for Holocaust Studies in Washington. (Jerusalem Post)

Talks Underway to Build Gas Pipeline to Egypt

Talks are in progress to build an underwater natural gas pipeline from Israel’s offshore Leviathan and Tamar fields to Egypt’s existing liquified natural gas plants for processing and re-export. The new line would allow Israel to export much more gas to Egypt (the current pipeline goes only from Israel to the Egyptian Sinai Peninsula). Israel said Egypt would begin to receive significant amounts of Israeli gas through the new pipeline in October of this year. (Bloomberg News)

US Army Planning to Purchase Two Israel Dome Missile Systems

The US Army has asked Congress to approve $373 million to purchase two Israeli Iron Dome Missile batteries with 240 interception missiles. The Israeli units would give the US Army the capability of implementing an interim defense system in various parts of the world by 2020, aimed at defending against unmanned air vehicles, mortars, rockets, artillery and cruise missile in conflict zones around the world. The Army could not meet that deadline with current systems now being created in the United States. (i24 News.tv)

Historians Claims There Was 30-Year Genocide Against Christians in Mid-East

The Christian population that had made up one-fifth of the Ottoman Empire’s population in the Middle East was wiped out in waves of violence by successive Turkish governments, according to two Israeli historians, Benny Morris and Dror Ze’evi, in their new book, “The Thirty Year Genocide.” They believe between 1.5 and 2 million Christians were murdered. The aim was to create a completely Muslim nation. Morris says the founder of the Republic of Turkey, Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, was responsible for “the liquidation of the last Armenians who remained in Turkey,” as well as of hundreds of thousands of Greek and Assyrian Christians. (Ahval-Turkey)

Could an immunotherapy treatment from Israel cure cancer? Purified, activated immune cells from a healthy donor are injected into the recipient until the immune system can hunt down cancer cells on its own. Read more on Israel21c.com.

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Hebrew Bible Makes Historic Journey from UF to Tallahassee

By Rebecca Jefferson, Head, Isser and Rae Price Library of Judaica

On January 8, 2019, Nicola (Nikki) Fried was sworn in as Florida’s commissioner of agriculture using the first Hebrew Bible published in America. Fried studied law at the University of Florida and was a former president of its student body. She is the first female agricultural commissioner and the first Jewish woman to join Florida’s cabinet.

Jodi Bock Davidson, a member of Fried’s inaugural team, and like Fried, an alumnus of UF, reached out to Rebecca Jefferson, the Price Library’s curator, to see if the library had a special Bible to use for the occasion. Jefferson quickly realized that she had exactly the right book – a two-volume Hebrew Bible published in Philadelphia in 1814.

In 1812, Jonathan Horwitz, a pious Jew from Amsterdam, had arrived in America with the aim of producing and selling a Hebrew Bible. He had brought with him a good Hebrew type, and he sought to base his text upon the distinguished Hebrew Bible published by the Dutch Jewish printer, Joseph Athias in 1667. The Athias’ Bible was highly regarded for the correctness of its text and for its distinctive typography. Athias was also the first Jewish printer to own a printing shop (albeit jointly with two Christian women). His Hebrew Bible won the approbation of Jewish and Christian scholars alike and Athias won a gold medal from the Dutch government.

Horwitz was not alone in his intention to print the first American Hebrew Bible. Other individuals and groups were also racing to meet this goal and gain this distinction, including several missionary groups. Facing ever-mounting competition, Horwitz decided that it was more important to get his edition printed than to wait to get enough subscribers to allow him to print it himself. He sold his Hebrew font to the Philadelphia printer, William Fry and his subscription lists to the bookseller, Thomas Dobson and in 1814, the first American Hebrew Bible was printed. Today, there are only about 100 copies in existence; a few of the first volumes hot off the press acknowledge Horwitz’s role.

The Price Library’s copy of this first American Hebrew Bible was sent to the University’s conservation unit in preparedness for travel to Tallahassee, and a special presentation box was made for it. Jefferson personally couriered the Bible to the Capitol, and at 11 am, Fried laid her hand on it and took the oath of office. The Price Library’s Hebrew Bible hasn’t been used for an inauguration before thus adding another “first” to this special occasion.

When asked by the Religious News Service for her thoughts on this, Nikki Fried remarked: “As the first Jewish woman elected statewide in Florida, and an unapologetic Florida Gator, I could not be more honored to be sworn in with the first Hebrew Bible printed in the United States from the University of Florida’s Judaica Library,” said Fried in a statement. “The symbolism of these firsts represents some of the greatest honors of my life.”

Rebecca Jefferson (Left) holds the rare Horwitz Hebrew Bible while speaking with Nicola (Nikki) Friend at her swearing-in ceremony.
UF to Host Jews and the Americas Conference

The “Jews and the Americas” is the theme chosen by UF’s Center for Latin American Studies for its 68th annual conference, to be held between February 24-26. During this two-day multi-disciplinary conference, 22 national and international speakers, including scholars from Israel and Latin America, will explore various aspects of the Jewish experience in the Americas, from the 16th through to the 20th century. The papers have been divided into seven thematic panels covering broad themes such as material culture, perceptions of Jewishness, Sephardi Jewry, Jewish communal ideologies, languages, national identities and politics. Each panel will be chaired by invited scholars, including three scholars affiliated with the Center for Jewish Studies, as well as its director, Professor Jack Kugelmass. By inviting a range of scholars from across disciplines within Jewish studies and Latin American studies, the conference organizers hope to bring these two major scholarly fields into greater conversation with each other.

The conference will open at 5 pm on Sunday, February 24, with a reception in the Latin American and Caribbean Collections Reading Room of Smathers Library. Tamar Herzog, Monroe Gutman Professor of Latin American Affairs, Harvard University, will deliver the Bacardi Scholar Opening Address. Herzog is a legal scholar and historian whose research focuses on Atlantic and colonial Latin American history. Tours of the Judaica Suite, with displays of new special collections from Latin America and the Caribbean, will follow the reception.

The main conference will be held, Monday, February 25 and Tuesday February 26, in the University’s J. Wayne Reitz Union. The program details, times and locations, are posted on the Center for Latin American Studies website: http://www.latam.ufl.edu. Monday’s lunchtime keynote address will be by Dana Rabin ((University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign) who will give a talk on “The Struggle for Jewish Naturalization from Jamaica to London, 1748-1753.” Conference attendees are invited to the Monday evening dinner and concert at The Thomas Center at 7 pm. Bacardi Scholar, Silviu Ciulei, and his Maharajah Trio will perform a concert, titled: Encuentro (Cultural Encounter); they will be joined by Dr. Welson Tremura, UF Center for Latin American Studies and College of Music. The theme will be Spanish and Latin American music with Jewish and Muslim origins.

The “Jews and the Americas” conference is jointly sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies, the Alexander Grass Chair in Jewish Studies and the Isser and Rae Price Library of Judaica at the University of Florida. Funding is also provided by the U.S. Department of Education and the Bacardi Family Endowment.

Please join us for what promises to be a very engaging exchange of knowledge and ideas! To register for the conference, visit the Center for Latin American Studies website. The conference is free for UF staff and students, $50 for non-UF Florida residents and $100 for non-UF out of state participants.

Co-Existence:
A Concert Featuring Mira Awad and Guy Mintus
presented by The Center for Jewish Studies,
Wednesday, February 27 at 7:30 pm
University Auditorium

Tel-Aviv based Palestinian-Israeli singer, songwriter, actress, and activist for coexistence, Awad’s songs and performances evoke a stunning fusion of Eastern and Western musical traditions.

An Israeli pianist, Guy Mintus is a virtuoso performer of traditions ranging from Turkish to Jewish cantorial music.

Admission is free and open to the community
A Guide to Area Camp Opportunities

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2 week options are available for campers entering grades 2-4

URJ Camp Coleman
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Camp Coleman’s mission is to inspire campers grades 3-12 and staff to be caring, committed, and connected Jews through an extraordinary camp experience. A traditional sleepaway camp, Coleman offers art activities such as ceramics, Jewish cooking, drama, music, and more, adventure activities such as a high and low ropes course, archery, karate, and more, sports activities such as soccer, tennis, basketball, and more, and a pool and lake. Visit their website to view the camp video, see what additional activities are offered, and find out how to register.

June 10-July 5 and July 8-August 2. Rising 3rd-8th grades: $4,850, Rising 9th grade: $5,225, Rising 10th grade: $5,360.

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In Memoriam

Our community mourns the passing of these beloved friends and family members:

David Kaplan,
father of Andrew and Cheryl Kaplan.

May their loved ones find solace in their memory.

Mazel Tov to Lauren Roseman, daughter of Robert and Leslie, on her promotion to senior VP of NBC Entertainment Publicity!
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Community Calendar February 2019

Tuesday, February 5
Torah Study with Rabbi Joseph at TSS, 9:30 am
(Repeated every Tuesday)

Widow’s Bereavement Support Group at TSS, 10:30 to
11:30 am (Repeated every Tuesday)

Torah on Tuesday with Rabbi Kaiman at CBI, 12 pm.
(Repeated every Tuesday)

Wednesday, February 6
Friendship Circle at CBI, 10:30 am
(Repeated every Wednesday)

Tuesday, February 19
Heaven & Hell: The Afterlife and the World to Come,
a talk by Rabbi Jay Lyons at LCJC, 7:30 pm

Sunday, February 24
Interfaith Encounter Association Text Study
at The Mennonite Meeting House, 2 pm

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