

# happening

at the asheville jcc

May - August 2015



JCCs of North America

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**75th Anniversary  
Celebrations**  
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**Pool Opening &  
Community Day**  
Sunday, May 24th

**And Much More  
Spring & Summer Fun!**  
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## It's Our 75th Anniversary!

### 75 Shabbats Around Town

June 19 - July 31

Hosted at individual homes. (More details in the middle pages of the Happening.)

### A History of the Jewish Community of Asheville

Order this informative book by Sharon Fahrer, documenting the history of our Jewish community. Hard cover \$100/each (advance only); soft cover \$30.

### Camp Ruach Celebrates our 75th Birthday

Friday, August 7; 3:30 pm

JCC Pool

### YAJA Celebrates our 75th Birthday

Friday, August 7; 6:30 pm

JCC Pool

Pool party and Shabbatluck.

### Raffle!

Participate for chances to win terrific prizes including CASH prizes of \$1000 and \$500! Purchase raffle tickets at [jcc-asheville.org](http://jcc-asheville.org).

### 75th Birthday Bash

Sunday, August 30; 6:30 pm

Asheville JCC

Mark your calendars now for the main party event of the year! Prepare to embark on a unique time travel experience as we take you on a journey through the decades! Fun Decade dress is encouraged (and prizes will be awarded), food, drink, dancing, entertainment with old and new friends. This will be the party of the (almost) century! Tickets will be on sale in July.



★ For more information about any of these events, visit our website or contact Rochelle Reich, [rochelle@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rochelle@jcc-asheville.org), ext. 111. ★

### Look for historical photos in this issue of Happening!

Have JCC photos or stories to share? Email them to [ami@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:ami@jcc-asheville.org).

Watch our Facebook page on Thursday for historical images and stories!

## General Information

### Membership Renewal Has Begun! Renew by May 15 for bonus passes!

Don't forget to renew your membership today! Our membership year begins on May 1st. Renew by May 15 and you'll receive eight bonus pool guest passes! Your membership dues help to keep the JCC vibrant and fiscally strong - thank you for your support! You can renew (or join) at [jcc-asheville.org](http://jcc-asheville.org) or at the JCC. Contact: Tami Gross, [tami@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:tami@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 114.

### Refer a Friend and You'll Both Get \$25!

With your paid membership renewal, if you bring in a new\* membership, then you BOTH get a \$25 Ingles card. The new members will need to include your name on their application. (\*A "new" member is someone who has not been a member in 2014, 2013, or 2012.)

### Join the JCC's Challah Club

**Every Friday in the Lobby, while supplies last**

JCC members \$5; community \$6  
Do you scramble each week to find a Shabbat challah? Join the JCC's Challah Club! Each Friday a challah from local bakery Dough will be waiting for you at the JCC. With the monthly payment plan, you don't even need cash. Contact: Carolyn, Maillis, 253-0701.

### Host Your Party, Event, or Meeting at the JCC

The JCC gym, pool, and seminar rooms are available for your next event! Whether you are planning a baby shower, birthday party, or dinner party, we've got the perfect space for you that can accommodate 20 to 300 people. JCC members get discounted rates. Contact [tami@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:tami@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 114 for information and to book your space.

### Scheduled JCC Closings

The JCC will be closed on Monday, May 25 for Memorial Day, Friday July 3 for Independence Day, and Monday, September 7 for Labor Day. The pool will be open at 10 am those days.

## Here's How to Reach Us

The Asheville Jewish Community Center is located at 236 Charlotte Street, Asheville, NC 28801. Call us at **(828) 253-0701** or visit [jcc-asheville.org](http://jcc-asheville.org).



The Asheville JCC is a beneficiary agency of the WNC Jewish Federation. Your annual contribution to Federation supports the growth of our local Jewish community, and provides assistance to Jews in need around the world.

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### Gesher (Bridge) Community Middle-School Program (6th – 8th Grades)

*Gesher is open to any Jewish middle-school student in western North Carolina. The group typically meets every second Sunday of the month. Advisor-led activities include sports and games, field trips, movies, pool parties, social action projects, Jewish learning programs and more. Contact: Brittany Lenhart, [brittany.lenhart@gmail.com](mailto:brittany.lenhart@gmail.com).*

### BBYO for High-School Students (9th – 12th Grades)

*Kol Harim is Asheville's co-ed BBYO chapter where students build lifelong Jewish connections, learn leadership skills, and have fun. BBYO meets regularly and participates in state and regional BBYO conventions. For more information visit the Kol Harim Facebook page or contact Michael Zuckerman at 212-253-1361.*

## Community Programs

### Israel Market

**Through Friday, May 22**

*JCC Lobby*

Stop by our shuk (market in Hebrew) to buy delicious Israeli snacks including Krembos, Bissli, Israeli chocolates and more. Contact: Rachel Pearlstein, [rachel@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rachel@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 108.

### First 2,000 Days Event

**Sunday, May 3; 5 pm**

*Congregation Beth Israel, 229 Murdock Avenue*

Learn why we need to invest in Buncombe County's young children and the First 2,000 Days. Presenters will be Dr. Mike Weizman and Lael Gray. Contact: 252-8660 or [socialaction2@bethisraelinc.org](mailto:socialaction2@bethisraelinc.org).

### Community Newcomer Welcome Reception

**Wednesday, May 12th, 5:30-7pm**

*JCC*

If you are looking to be introduced to all that is Jewish Asheville, then this event is for you. Representatives of the various Jewish organizations in town will be on hand. RSVPs requested, but not required, to [rochelle@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rochelle@jcc-asheville.org)

### Israeli Cooking Demo

**Sunday, May 17; 2-4 pm**

*JCC David Zimmerman Room*

*JCC members \$5; community \$15*

Come see how some of the most popular Israeli foods are made. Enjoy homemade shakshuka, hummus, tabouleh, tahini butter cookies and more Middle Eastern delicacies made by Sweet Peas Catering, LLC. RSVP by May 10 to Rachel, [rachel@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rachel@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 108.

### Shavuot Ice Cream Celebration

**Friday, May 22; 4- 6 pm;**

**Sunday, May 24; 1-3 pm**

*JCC*

Join us for \$2 scoops of ice cream, including the featured holiday flavor "Milk & Honey," and learn WHY we serve this flavor on the Shavuot holiday.

### Community Day at the Pool

**Sunday, May 24; 10 am - 7 pm**

*JCC Pool*

Bring your friends, your towel and your shades. Come early, come late, but B-here or B-square! It's community day, so there is no charge to swim. Discover why the JCC pool is sababa (cool in Hebrew)!

### "Beneath the Helmet" Film Screening and Discussion

**Tuesday, May 26 ; 7:15 pm**

*Carolina Theatre, Hendersonville Road*

*adults \$5; students \$2*

Join us for a screening of Beneath the Helmet: From High School to the Home Front followed by a Q&A with a soldier from the film. This coming-of-age story follows five Israeli high school graduates over their first 180 days of army service. Event co-sponsored with BBYO. Contact: Rochelle Reich, [rochelle@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rochelle@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 111.

### The State of Anti-Semitism on Campus

**Monday, June 1; 7 pm**

*JCC*

High school students and parents are invited to participate in a dialogue about increasing anti-Semitism on many American college campuses. The conversation will cover what to expect, tools to handle it, and ways to research the climate at colleges you are considering. Contact: Rochelle, [rochelle@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rochelle@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 111.

### Ivy Creek Family Farm Tour

**Sunday, June 14; 10 - 11:30 am**

*390 North Fork Road, Barnardsville*

Interested in learning about how a farm operates? The JCC CSA farm share program gets its produce from Ivy Creek Family Farm. Now is your chance to see how this beautiful produce is grown. RSVP by June 4 to Rachel, [rachel@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rachel@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 108.

### Bridge Club

**Sundays, 1:30 pm - 5 pm**

Duplicate bridge is back at the JCC! Partners are guaranteed and all playing levels are welcome. Earn master points at a no pressure, laid back game. Reserve your spot at [ncbridge.us](http://ncbridge.us).



## Community Programs

### Conversational Hebrew Class

June - July; dates TBD

\$10 per class

Interested in learning to speak Hebrew or teaching a Hebrew class? Contact: Rachel, rachel@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 108.

### Ecology, Food, & Permaculture in the Living Jewish Landscape

Sunday, July 19th; 4 - 6:30 pm

JCC Zimmerman Room

Join us for a discussion with Zev Friedman, Rabbi Goldstein, Lael Gray, and Jacqui Childs about how Jewish culture and spirituality relate to ecological healing, social justice, and land-based living. The conversation will focus on current efforts to offer ecological learning opportunities for this region's Jewish community. Contact: Rachel, rachel@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 108.

## Adult Programs

### YAJA: Young Adult Jews of Asheville

This fun social group of young Jewish adults has been having a great time meeting up for Trivia Night, Shabbat and holiday dinners, Chinese food and a movie, weekly discussion sessions, and nights at ballets and film festivals in town. Events are free of charge unless noted. Contact: yajasheville@gmail.com or ext. 108.

### YAJA Service Days

Volunteer and enjoy the beautiful weather with other young Jews. We will be having a river cleanup and a day with Habitat for Humanity coming up this summer. Exact dates to follow. Contact: yajasheville@gmail.com.

### YAJA Israeli Shabbat

Friday, May 8; 7:30 pm

Home of Amy Leitner

Join YAJA for falafel, pita, and Israeli-themed activities. Contact: yajaasheville@gmail.com or ext. 108.

## YAJA Learning Series

Curious what Judaism has to say about environmental justice, feminism and gender roles, or anti-Semitism? Come learn about contemporary issues in a Jewish light and enjoy some yummy snacks and drinks in this bi-monthly learning series. Contact: Rachel, rachel@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 108.

### Environmental Justice

Thursday, May 21; 8 pm

Dobra Tea, 78 Lexington Avenue

### Disabilities & Illness in Judaism

Thursday, June 4; 8 pm

Home of Maurice Hiller

### Disabilities & Illness in Judaism Part 2

Thursday, June 11; 8 pm

Location TBD

## YAJA at the Film Festival

Wednesday, May 27; 7:30 pm

Fine Arts Theatre, 36 Biltmore Avenue

Join us for a night at the Asheville Jewish Film Festival to see the movie Dough. Find out more at ashevillejewishfilmfestival.com. Contact: Rachel, rachel@jcc-asheville.org or call ext. 108.



## Adult Programs

### YAJA Charleston Overnight

**June, exact date TBD**

*Meet at the JCC*

Enjoy a weekend by the beach with young adults from Asheville and around North and South Carolina. We'll celebrate Shabbat, soak up some sunshine, and do some sight-seeing in town.

Contact: yajasheville@gmail.com ext. 108.

### YAJA Challah Baking

**Thursday June 18; 7 pm**

*JCC Kosher Kitchen*

Bake challah for the Shabbatluck! Contact: Rachel, rachel@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 108.

### YAJA June Shabbat Potluck

**Date TBD**

*Home of Neil Garson*

Bring a vegetarian dish to share. Contact: Rachel, rachel@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 108.

### YAJA July Shabbatluck

**Exact date TBD; 7 pm**

*Home of Maurice Hiller*

Join YAJA for an awesome Shabbat with delicious food and great company! Contact: Rachel, rachel@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 108.

### TAG: The Adult Group

JCC adults tap into Asheville's Jewish experience through a variety of social and cultural activities, including discussions, dinners, excursions, parties, group fitness classes and volunteer opportunities. Meet new friends, expand your Asheville Jewish community and help make a difference. Contact: Rochelle, rochelle@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 111.

Upcoming TAG events are listed on page 6. 



## Adult Programs

### TAG Bonsai Tour

**Tuesday, May 18th, 10 am - 12:30 pm**

*North Carolina Arboretum,*

*JCC Members \$6, community \$9*

Wonder what keeps those small bonsai plants small? Take a tour with with a curator from the Western North Carolina Arboretum and all your questions will be answered! After our tour, we'll view more of the gardens and have a picnic lunch. RSVP by May 5 to Amy Silverman, 713-408-7406 or amy01553@gmail.com.

### TAG Hola Amigos! Let's Head South of the Border!

**Saturday, May 30; 6:30 pm**

*The Silverman Home*

Hosts Mary Johnson and Gary Selnick, and Amy and Paul Silverman invite you to enjoy a taste of Peru, Columbia, Ecuador, and beyond. Choose your favorite recipe or the hosts will help guide you to a selection. RSVP to Mary Johnson at mjx-mnr@yahoo.com.

### TAG Sierra Nevada Brewery Tour & Dinner\*

**Wednesday, June; 17, 4 - 5:30 pm**

*JCC members - free; community \$5;*

*\*dinner additional*

Ever want to get behind the scenes of a brewery? Now's your chance! Join us to navigate the entire beer making process in Sierra Nevada's new brewhouse. Carpooling will be coordinated. There are only 40 spots available, so please RSVP by May 27 to Patti Reingold at reingoldt@lr.edu or 381-0170.

### TAG Wanna Go Trout Fishin'?

**Sunday, July 19; 9:30 am**

*Meet at the JCC*

*JCC members - free; community \$5*

We will carpool to Marion, NC to the Buck Creek Trout Farm. Bring your own lunch and drink. Fishing poles, bait, and a lesson are provided. There is a charge of \$5 per pound for any fish you catch and they can be cleaned for a small fee. You may want to bring an ice cooler for your catch. RSVP to Cheryl Levine by July 5 to cgarlandlevine@yahoo.com.

### TAG Schnapps & Schmoozing

**Sunday, August 9; 6 pm**

*Home of Jeff and Barbara Wasserman*

Whatever you decide to bring, be it an appetizer, a main dish, a side dish, or dessert, make sure one of your ingredients is wine, liquor or liqueur. We are being optimistic that the weather will be cooperative and we can dine outdoors. Limited to 20 people. JCC members RSVP starting July 9th, general community, July 16th to Barbara Wasserman, bwass78@gmail.com.

### TAG Float down the French Broad River

**Thursday, August 13; 1:30 pm**

*Asheville Adventure Rentals, 704 Riverside Dr.*

*kayak/canoe rental \$35 pp; tubing rental \$17 pp*

Float down the French Broad River. The trip will last 2 to 2.5 hours. Dinner plans TBD. Deposit required by July 15. Kayak/canoe deposit \$20 pp; tube deposit \$10 pp. Rain date is August 20. RSVP to Dan Pincu at daniel.pincu@gmail.com and mail a deposit check made out to him to: 210 Coachman's Court, Asheville, NC 28803 by July 15.





## Adult Programs

### LGBTQJew

LGBTQJew is the LGBTQ portal of the Asheville Jewish Community Center. We create inclusive LGBTQ programming that welcomes everyone. Events have included National Coming Out Day open mic nights; Shabbat potlucks; dialogues around race, sexuality, and heteronormativity, pool parties, Drag shows, documentary screenings; and more. Get involved and help plan future events! Contact: [lgbtqjew@gmail.com](mailto:lgbtqjew@gmail.com) or call ext. 108.

### LGBTQJew Shmooze

**Wednesday, May 6; 7 - 9 pm**

*Battery Park Book Exchange, 1 Page Avenue*

Join LGBTQJew for some drinks and schmoozing! This is a great opportunity to meet other LGBTQ Jews in Asheville and enjoy a night out. Contact: Rachel, [rachel@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rachel@jcc-asheville.org) or call ext. 108.

### LGBTQJew Shabbat Potluck

**Friday, May 22; 7:30 pm**

*Home of Ayelet Reiter*

Come enjoy Shabbat dinner with all of your favorite Asheville LGBTQ folks. Bring a vegetarian dish and your favorite songs to share! Contact: Rachel, [rachel@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rachel@jcc-asheville.org) or call ext. 108.

### LGBTQJew Poolside Bash

**Saturday, June 27; 7 - 9 pm**

*JCC Pool*

Join us for a Saturday night pool bash with other LGBTQ folks in Asheville. Meet new people and enjoy a great summer night. Contact: Rachel, [Rachel@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:Rachel@jcc-asheville.org) or call ext. 108.

### LGBTQJew Trivia Night

**Wednesday, July 15; 7:30 pm**

*Mellow Mushroom, 50 Broadway Street*

Start brushing up on your trivia facts because we're going to Trivia Night! Come for trivia and stay for pizza, drinks, and great company! This is a great way to meet other LGBTQ folks in Asheville. Contact: Rachel, [rachel@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:rachel@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 108.



## Mahj Mania is back!

**Sunday, August 9, 2015**

**9:30 am - 3:30 pm**

We invite you to join us for a day of mah jongg, fellowship, food & fun! ALL your mah jongg friends – the ones you know and the ones you will meet on the day – will be at this event, so don't miss out!

**This is a FUNdraiser for Asheville's  
Congregation Beth HaTephila,  
Asheville's Congregation Beth Israel,  
and Agudas Israel Congregation  
of Hendersonville.**

We will be accepting registrations from experienced players only who play the National Mah Jongg League style of mah jongg.

Bring your 2015 card and a big smile to  
Congregation Beth HaTephila's (CBHT)  
Dave Family Social Hall,  
43 North Liberty Street, Asheville.

Registration is \$36.

Sign up by July 31 by  
emailing [carol@gillen.com](mailto:carol@gillen.com).



## Kids' Stuff Rummage Sale Fundraiser

**Sunday, May 3; 9 am - 2 pm**

JCC Gym

This sale will feature a great selection of clothes and toys at fantastic prices. Proceeds support Shalom Children's Center scholarships. Contact: Leigh Schuller, leigh@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 109.

## Kids' Shabbat and Havdalah

**Weekly through Friday, May 29**

JCC upstairs foyer

Havdalah w/Penny White: Mondays at 10 am

Tot Shabbat: Fridays at 10 am

School-Age Shabbat; Fridays at 4 pm

Musical celebrations for kids and community members. All are welcome! Children not enrolled in JCC children's programs must be accompanied by an adult. Schedule can change, so call 253-0701 to confirm prior to attending.

## Early Childhood Programs

### Shalom Preschool Graduation

**Friday, May 29; 11 am**

JCC

Friends and family are invited to say "Shalom Chavurim!" (Good-bye Friends!) to our proud pre-K graduates! The students of Keshet and Ahava will gather at the gym to celebrate their accomplishments. The graduation ceremony will be followed by a potluck reception and swimming. Contact: Kate, kate@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 109.

### Shalom Orientation - Friday, August 14

Hilde's House, 3 - 4 pm, Shalom, 4 - 5 pm and

Pre-K, 5 - 6 pm

### First Day of School - Monday, August 17



## Shalom Children's Center



The Early Childhood Education programs of Shalom Children's Center include Hilde's House for Infants and Toddlers, Shalom Children's Center for Early Childhood (2s & 3s), and Shalom Pre-K.

**Space is available for Pre-K for August enrollment! Contact: Kate Brantley, kate@jcc-asheville.org ext. 105.**

### At Shalom Children's Center:

- We teach universal values through a Jewish lens - Shalom (peace), Tikkun Olam (repair of the world), Tzedakah (justice), Gemilut Hasadim (acts of loving kindness) and Kavod (respect).
- We involve each person in creating a strong and healthy community of children, families, and educators.
- We know that all experiences and human interactions have the potential to impact a young child's development in significant ways, building the foundation for lifelong learning and success.
- We achieve high levels of learning by identifying and supporting the unique and adapting interests and abilities of every child in an environment of interdisciplinary immersion.
- We are uniquely qualified, well-educated, and experienced early childhood educators who are committed to raising secure, curious, and capable children who will make a positive difference in the world.

### Shalom Children's Center Closings

*Monday, May 25 for Memorial Day (JCC closed)*

*Wednesday, June 10 - Friday, June 12  
for Teacher Workdays*

*Friday, July 3 for Independence Day*

*Monday, August 10 - Friday, August 14  
for Teacher Workdays*



2015  
Spring  
Film Series

Four Evenings in May

With encore matinees the following day at 1:00pm

May 7 & 8 • 14 & 15 • 21 & 22 • 27 & 28

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Join us May 7th for Opening Night Film & Reception

Catered by DOUGH Deli & Market

Followed by the delightful new film

DELI MAN

Jewish culture reflects the heart of a vital ethnic history.

As that culture continues to shift and adapt alongside mainstream America, delicatessen food - as its name suggests - remains a beloved communal delicacy.

May 7th 6:00pm at Blue Spiral 1 • Tickets \$22

May 8th encore matinee 1:00pm • Tickets \$8.50

For the complete schedule and ticket information visit-

[AshevilleJewishFilmFestival.com](http://AshevilleJewishFilmFestival.com)

Presented by

The Center for Jewish Studies at UNC - Asheville

Bob and Carol Deutsch

Fine Arts Theatre

## School Age Programs

### Register Now for JCC Kids After School

Registration begins May 15 for Fall 2015!

The JCC Kids After School Enrichment Program is your child's Jewish "home away from home," providing a nourishing space where children of all traditions build a community of support and develop skills and values that become their foundation for success. All children in kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome in our 5-star rated program. We offer after school and full-day programs with flexible scheduling including Monday – Friday, Monday/Wednesday/Friday, Tuesday/Thursday or full-day-only options. Contact: Seth, [seth@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:seth@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 107.

### Soccer Shots

Sundays at 11 am; through May 31

JCC Clyde Street Field

\$70 per 6 week session

Soccer Shots of Asheville is back for spring. This non-competitive Intro-To-Soccer class is for kids ages 3-5 years. Sign up: [soccershots.org/asheville](http://soccershots.org/asheville)

### JCC Kids End-of the-Year Party

Wednesday, June 10; 4 pm

JCC Pool

All JCC Kids are welcome (if Wednesday is not your scheduled day, please come with a parent). Enjoy hot dogs (veggie and meat) under the pool pavilion and swim 'til 6 pm. Contact: Seth Kellam, [seth@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:seth@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 107.



### Find Your Friends at Camp Ruach!

### Registration is Now Online!

June 15 - August 7; 9 am to 3:30 pm  
JCC

Camp Ruach is a unique Jewish day camp open to rising first- through eighth-grade children. Each one-week session is an adventure – filled with swimming and sports, cooking and crafts, nature and gardening, dance and music—and ending on Friday with the celebration of Shabbat. Whether they are here for one, two, or all eight weeks, Camp Ruach campers come away with a newfound sense of confidence and independence. Tennis and tae kwon do add-ons are available. Contact: Seth, [seth@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:seth@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 107.



### Club Ruach Afternoon Program

June 15 - August 7; 3:30 - 5:30 pm

More swimming on Thursdays and Fridays, more time outdoors, more games and crafts, and more quality time with counselors and friends. Contact: Seth, [seth@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:seth@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 107.

### Camp Tikvah

(for children with autism)

June 15 - August 7; 9 am to 3:30 pm

The only summer day camp of its kind in Western North Carolina, Camp Tikvah enables children on the autism spectrum to enjoy the fun and community of Camp Ruach in an individually monitored and highly structured program. Camp Tikvah is open to rising 1st - 5th graders. Contact: Seth, [seth@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:seth@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 107.



# SHARING CARING PLAYING GROWING



in Asheville's  
Jewish neighborhood.

☐ **Yes, I want to support the JCC with my contribution!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method: ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card

## Credit Card Information:

*We accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express & Discover*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like to designate your gift to a JCC program, please indicate which one:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Donate online at [www.jcc-asheville.org](http://www.jcc-asheville.org)**  
or mail this form with check or credit card  
payment information to:

Asheville Jewish Community Center  
236 Charlotte Street, Asheville, NC 28801





## Volunteer with the Mitzvah Corps

Have you been looking for volunteer opportunities that meet YOUR needs? The JCC wants to provide volunteer opportunities that not only fill a need in the community, but also include time to learn and socialize with other volunteers. Contact: Natalie Kramer, Natalie@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 140.

### Shavuot Book Brigade

**Friday, May 1 - Monday, May 25**

*JCC Lobby*

Share the mitzvah of study and knowledge - by donating your gently used books. Volunteers are needed for sorting and delivering to outside community agencies.

### Mitzvah Soup Night

**Wednesday, May 6; 5:30 pm**

*JCC Kitchen*

Join Matt Wyatt, our JCC's caterer in the kitchen to help prepare delicious veggie matzo ball soup to stock our freezer for JCC Mitzvah deliveries.

### Room-in-the-Inn

**Sunday, May 31 - Sunday, June 7; evenings**

*Congregation Beth Ha Tephila*

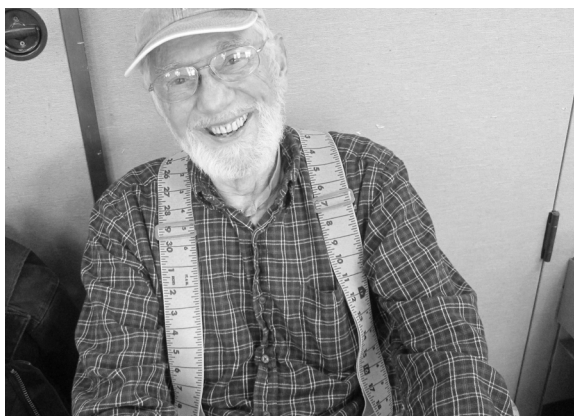
This Homeward Bound program provides a mobile shelter to 12 homeless women each night. CBHT volunteers partner with St. Mary's Episcopal Church, St. Mark's Lutheran Church and the Ethical Society of Asheville to provide meals, shelter, evening activities and friendship for RIT women during two weeks of the year. Contact: Sherrill Zoller, tkroom@bethhatephila.org.

### Flower Recycling

**Sunday, June 14**

*Location TBD*

Brighten up local healthcare facilities with recycled event flowers! JCC volunteers gather on the day after events such as weddings and bar/bat mitzvahs to rearrange donated event flowers and then deliver the new arrangements to hospice, hospitals, and other facilities. Contact: Natalie Kramer, Natalie@jcc-asheville.org or ext. 140.



### Cook Team at the Veteran's Shelter

**Tuesday, June 30; 10 am - 12:30 pm**

*ABCCM Veterans Restoration Quarters, 1329 Tunnel Road*

Help prepare and serve lunch for up to a 100 homeless vets at the ABCCM Veterans Restoration Quarters and Inn. Serving lunch to the veterans is a rewarding mitzvah as it not only helps meet the nutritional needs of the men but also gives our volunteers a chance to interact with the veterans.

### Children's Programs Volunteer Assistants

**1 day/2 hours per week (must be a consistent day per semester)**

Shalom Children's Center and JCC Kids are seeking volunteers to provide assistance with afternoon snack, tutoring, and enrichment activities.

### Garden Assistant

**8 hours a week through November**

The garden intern will assist the Garden Specialist in maintaining our children's gardens, including soil building, planting, transplanting, weeding, watering, and other maintenance tasks. The assistant will help to keep the garden areas safe and clean for the children and will assist in preparing materials for the garden lessons.

### Shabbat in a Box

**Fridays, 4 pm**

*Bella Vista Gracious Retirement Living, 55 Piney Mountain Drive*

Reserve your Friday today! We provide the juice blessings and Challah - you provide the smiles and ruach (spirit in Hebrew).

## Around the Asheville JCC...



The Asheville JCC strengthens Jewish identity, celebrates Jewish culture and builds community through a wide variety of programs for people from all backgrounds, at every stage of life.



## Aquatics

### What's Happening at the JCC Pool?

**The JCC pool will open Sunday, May 24.**

Over the summer, we will have Wednesday night visits from the food truck, Tuesday night Inner Tube Water Polo, and Saturday Float Night! Visit [jcc-asheville.org](http://jcc-asheville.org) for more information.

### Memorial Day Members Event

**Monday, May 25th 12:30 - 2:30 pm**

*JCC Pool*

The pool is open 10 am to 7 pm, and we'll be honoring Memorial Day with a BBQ from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. Veggie burgers, Kosher dogs, chips and watermelon, and of COURSE, popsicles will be served up for your donations. Looking forward to welcoming everyone back for another amazing summer! Anyone willing to volunteer to help grill or set up can contact [natalie@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:natalie@jcc-asheville.org).

### Swim Lessons

**Beginning Monday, June 15th**

*JCC members: private lessons are \$100 for four 30 minutes sessions; semi-private lessons are \$60 per child for four sessions.*

The Talmud teaches us that it's our obligation as parents to teach our children to swim. We can help you with that! Sign your children up for private or semi-private\* lessons this summer and give them the gift of water safety and fun. \*Semi Private means: two similar skill level children that the parent pairs together (ie siblings or friends at similar skill levels). Payment for both children must be submitted with registration form. Contact Cindy at [lifeguard5@yahoo.com](mailto:lifeguard5@yahoo.com) or pick up a form at the JCC front desk.



### Gefilte Fish Swim Team

**Monday, June 15 - Friday, August 7**

**Info Night Monday, June 1; 6:15 pm**

*JCC Pool*

*JCC members \$90; community \$115*

The JCC Gefilte Fish Swim Team is a great way to sharpen your young swimming enthusiast's skills (ages 5-13). This is a mildly competitive team, primarily focused on learning basic competitive swimming techniques and having a great time. Register in advance online or at the front desk.

### Independence Day Celebration

**Friday, July 3rd; 12 - 3 pm**

*JCC Pool*

Celebrate America's Birthday at the JCC Pool with BBQ, Greasy watermelon, crazy dives and Inner Tube Water Polo games. Contact: Natalie, [natalie@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:natalie@jcc-asheville.org) or ext. 140.

### Morning Adult Lap Swim

**Monday, June 15 - Friday, August 7;**

**Monday - Friday; 8 - 10 am**

### Pool Hours

Sunday May 24 through Monday September 7

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 12:30-7 pm

Wed 12:30-9 pm

Fri 12:30-6 pm

Saturday 12-7 pm

Sunday 10 am-7 pm

*Please note: Memorial Day, July 3, and Labor Day follow Sunday schedule. The pool will close at 6 pm on Saturday, June 20 and at 4 pm on Sunday, August 30 for special events. We will have make up late nights until 9 pm on Saturday, July 18 and Saturday, August 22.*



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