

Twin Cities Calendar

ONGOING

THE COCOANUTS — *The Cocoanuts*, based on the 1925 Broadway musical and 1929 film starring the Marx Brothers, runs through Jan. 3 on the McGuire Proscenium Stage at the Guthrie Theater, 818 S. Second St., Minneapolis. Directed by David Ivers, the show features a book by George S. Kaufman and songs by Irving Berlin (11-6-15 AJW). For tickets, call the Guthrie box office at 612-225-6244, or go to: guthrietheater.org.

ORANSKY PAINTINGS — An exhibition of paintings by Howard Oransky, titled *planet waves*, is on display through Jan. 9 at Form+Content Gallery in the Whitney Square Building, 210 N. Second St., Suite 104, Minneapolis. For information, call 612-436-1151 or visit: www.formandcontent.org.

JAN. 7

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP — A support group sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association will next meet 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7 at Bet Shalom Congregation, 13613

Orchard Rd., Minnetonka. The group meets regularly on the first Thursday of each month. For information, contact Rita Kelner at 763-544-0641 or Judy Witebsky at 763-546-1658.

JAN. 11

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP — Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis (JFCS) will host its Caregiver Support Group for adult children caring for ill or aging parents 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 11 at Temple Israel, 2324 Emerson Ave. S., Minneapolis. The group meets on the second Monday of each month. To register, call 952-542-4825 or email: brudnick@jfcsmpls.org.

JAN. 13

MEMORY LOSS SUPPORT GROUP — The Jewish Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group will next meet 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13 at Temple Israel, 2324 Emerson Ave. S., Minneapolis. The group meets regularly on the second Wednesday of each month. To register, call 952-542-4825 or email: brudnick@jfcsmpls.org.

Events to celebrate 'Four Seasons of Judaism'

"Wonder and Wander: The Four Seasons of Judaism," a joint program of the St. Paul JCC and Hineni: Adult Jewish Learning and Contemporary Practices at the Talmud Torah of St. Paul, along with the Sabes JCC, will kick off with snowshoeing 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 24 at Fort Snelling State Park, 101 Snelling Lake Rd., St. Paul (meet

at the Visitors' Center).

Activities are appropriate for all levels of experience. Hiking events will take place on April 3 and June 5 at the park.

While snowshoeing in winter's white landscape or hiking in early spring woods, attendees will use Jewish texts, ancient and modern, to enhance awareness of the wonder

of the world.

The cost is \$30, or \$20 for JCC members and Hineni Sustainers. The fee does not include entry into the park.

To register by Jan. 20, call the St. Paul JCC at 651-698-0751. For information, visit: stpauljcc.org, or contact Tracey Agranoff at 651-255-4735 or: tagranoff@stpauljcc.org.

Keren Or contest seeks Jewish teen writers and photographers from Minnesota

Keren Or (Ray of Light) has announced the 12th annual writing and photography contest for Jewish youth. Minnesota Jewish students in grades seven to 12 are invited to submit original poetry, creative prose and photographs.

Prizes in each category are \$100 for first place and \$50 for second and third places. Winning entries will be published at the Keren Or Web site and in a special supplement to the American Jewish World. They will also be included in an exhibit of Keren Or's winning submissions at the Sabes JCC in the spring.

An awards ceremony honoring all participants will take place on May 1 at the Sabes JCC.

Additionally, all participants will have access to free interactive workshops on photography, poetry and creative prose led by the contest's judges. The workshops will give teens a chance to talk one-on-one with professional writers and photographers about how to sharpen their creative edge and gain new techniques.

The deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12. All submissions, including photographs, must

be submitted using the online forms at: www.kerenorcontest.org.

Keren Or was founded in 2004 by Jerry (z"l) and Eileen Siegel to honor the memory of their daughter, Karen Siegel-Jacobs. Keren Or is managed by Rimon: The Minnesota Jewish Arts Council, an initiative of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation, and is funded by the Karen Siegel-Jacobs Fund at the Adath Jeshurun Foundation.

For information and contest rules, visit: www.kerenorcontest.org or call 952-381-3449.

Jewish learning event set for Feb. 6

The St. Paul JCC and Hineni of the Talmud Torah of St. Paul will host Engage 2016, an evening of Jewish learning, 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 at the Talmud Torah of St. Paul, 768 Hamline Ave. S.

Attendees will choose from an array of classes, including text study, literature, cooking, dance and more. Wine and chocolates will be provided after classes.

Among the offerings will be "The First Amendment and the Jews: How Freedom of Religion and Speech Shape the Lives of American Jews";

"Lubavitch Chassidut: The Mystical and Practical"; "The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict through Poetry"; "Shared Wisdom: Intertextuality in Jewish and Muslim Sacred Sources"; and "The Binding of Isaac: An Interactive

Theatre Workshop."

Tickets are \$18, or free for ages 30 and younger. For information and to register, visit: www.stpauljcc.org.



Steve Silverman

SUPER SUNDAY RAISES NEEDED FUNDS — Rita and Ron Kelner make phone calls at the Minneapolis Jewish Federation's Super Sunday on Dec. 13. The phone-a-thon, chaired by the Buslovich family, raised \$171,278 to make a difference in Jewish communities in Minneapolis and around the world.

עֲשֵׂה לְךָ רֵב, וְקִיָּה לְךָ חֵבֵר

Mazal tov to our colleague, Rabbi Norman Cohen, for 35 years of outstanding leadership of Congregation Bet Shalom.

May you go from strength to strength as you become the congregation's first rabbi emeritus.

Mazal tov to our colleague, Rabbi David Locketz, upon becoming Congregation Bet Shalom's senior rabbi.

May you bring blessings to your Temple and our community through leadership.

—Your friends of the Minnesota Rabbinical Association



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Hadassah Minneapolis to host annual Maj-a-Thon

Hadassah Minneapolis will present its 13th annual Maj-a-thon 12:15 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 24 at Adath Jeshurun Congregation, 10500 Hillside Ln. W., Minnetonka.

Players will have an opportunity to purchase their 2016 mah-jongg cards as well as shop at the craft-co-op boutique. Gifts for each player and prizes for the winners will be awarded.

Proceeds from the \$40 entrance fee will go to the Sarah Westman Davidson Tower of the non-discriminatory Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem. Light refreshments will be served.

To register by Jan. 16, send a check (payable to Hadassah) to Elaine Savick, 7708 W. 13-1/2 St., St. Louis Park, MN 55426. For information, contact Elaine at 952-544-8283 or: esavick@yahoo.com.

PBS' American Masters to feature Mike Nichols

The season 30 premiere of PBS' *American Masters* will feature director Mike Nichols 8 p.m. CST Friday, Jan. 29 on TPT 2 (check local listings).

Mike Nichols: American Masters is directed by Elaine May, Nichols' comedy partner in the late 1950s and early 1960s. It features new interviews with his friends and colleagues, including Meryl Streep, Steven Spielberg, Tom Hanks, Dustin Hoffman, Alec Baldwin, Paul Simon, Matthew Broderick, Nathan Lane, Bob Balaban, Tony Kushner, Neil Simon, Frank Langella, James L. Brooks and others.

The interviews were conducted by film, TV and theater producer Julian Schlossberg, who also conducted an exclusive interview with Nichols for the film. The documentary features insights and highlights from Nichols' acclaimed films, including *The Graduate*, *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*, *Angels in America* and *Charlie Wilson's War*,



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Elaine May and Mike Nichols onstage.

as well as his theatrical productions *Barefoot in the Park*, *Luv* and *The Odd Couple*.

The PBS series will also feature singer and songwriter Carole King on Feb. 19. For information, visit: pbs.org/americanmasters.