

# JEWISH FEDERATION NEWS

## Ambassador Dennis Ross Kicks Off the Jewish Federation's Community Relations Council

The World Affairs Council of Greater Charlotte, in conjunction with the Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte and the International Studies program at UNC Charlotte, is proud to welcome Ambassador Dennis Ross to speak on the current situation in the Middle East. Ambassador Ross will be speaking on Thursday, September 20 at 8 PM at Temple Israel. Tickets cost \$10 and are now available on the Federation's website at [www.jewishcharlotte.org](http://www.jewishcharlotte.org) or by phone at 704-944-6757.

Ambassador Ross has been credited with managing the peace process in the Middle East through periods of crisis and stalemate. For more than twelve years as Special Middle East Coordinator under President George H.W. Bush and President Bill Clinton, Ambassador Dennis Ross patiently yet firmly guided Israel and the Palestinian Authority toward critical interim agreements. As the architect of the peace process, he was instrumental in assisting the Israelis and Palestinians in



Dennis Ross

reaching the 1995 Interim Agreement, and he successfully brokered the Hebron Accord in 1997. *The Missing Peace - The Inside Story of the Fight for Middle East Peace*, Ambassador Ross's New York Times Notable Book, tells the inside story of these efforts and outlines the key lessons to be drawn from that experience. *The New York Times* called his new book, *Statecraft, and How to Restore America's Standing in the World*, "important and illuminating."

Currently, Ambassador Ross is Counselor and Ziegler dis-

tinguished fellow of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy. He is a Foreign Affairs Analyst for the Fox News Channel in addition to being a frequent commentator in *The Washington Post*, *The Financial Times* and *U.S. News and World Report*. His work has appeared in such journals as *Foreign Affairs*, the *National Interest*, *Washington Quarterly* and *Foreign Policy*.

Ambassador Ross's speech will be the kick-off event for the Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte's Community Relations Council. The Jewish Community Relations Council (CRC) promotes the interests of the Charlotte Jewish com-

munity by creating working relationships with our neighbors and serving as the collective voice of the Jewish community. For more information, please contact Jeff Epstein, Community Relations Council Chair or Sarah Kaplan, Community Relations and Israel Affairs Coordinator at [sarah.kaplan@jewishcharlotte.org](mailto:sarah.kaplan@jewishcharlotte.org).

Ambassador Ross's new book, *Statecraft, and How to Restore America's Standing in the World*, will be on sale after the event for \$26. Books are also available for advance purchase in the Federation office. This incredible

opportunity is not to be missed. Both tickets and seating are on a first-come, first-served basis. We look forward to seeing you there. ☆



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## JEWISH FEDERATION OUTREACH CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

**Uptowners with Cantor Elias Roohvarg on "Jewish Music for the 21st Century"**

12 noon-1 PM, Mint Museum of Craft and Design (Mezzanine level), 220 N. Tryon St. (between 5th and 6th)

Uptowners: Nosh and Network is the Federation's outreach initiative for the Charlotte business and professional community. Advance registration required if purchasing lunch (\$10). Free if no lunch is purchased.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

**Newcomer Schmooze**

10 AM-12 noon, Weinberg Center at LJCC

Learn about the Charlotte Jewish Community while meeting new friends. Newcomer Schmoozes are co-sponsored by the Levine JCC. Complimentary bagels, coffee and juice are served.

For more information about Federation's Outreach initiatives, please contact Jodi Greenwald at [jodi.greenwald@jewishcharlotte.org](mailto:jodi.greenwald@jewishcharlotte.org) or 704-944-6759.

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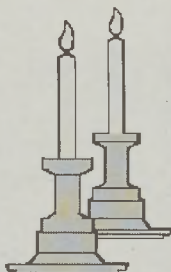
Wednesday, September 12,  
Erev Rosh Hashanah, 7:17 PM

Friday, September 14, 7:15 PM

Friday, September 21,  
Erev Yom Kippur, 7:04 PM

Wednesday, September 26,  
Erev Sukkot, 6:57 PM

Friday, September 28, 6:54 PM



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