

JEWISH FEDERATION NEWS

JCRC Fall Lecture and Speaker Series to Kick Off on September 14 with Dr. Daniel Gordis

Please join us for the Jewish Federation's Community Relations Council (JCRC) Annual Fall Lecture on Wednesday, September 14 at 7 PM in the Sam Lerner Center for Cultural Arts at Shalom Park. Our annual Fall lecture will serve as the kick off for our 2016-2017 JCRC Speaker Series.

Our featured guest speaker will be Dr. Daniel Gordis, currently one of the single most popular speakers on Israel to American Jewish audiences. Dr. Gordis is the Senior Vice President and the Koret Distinguished Fellow at Shalem College in Jerusalem and author of numerous books on Jewish thought and current events in Israel. In 2014, the *Jerusalem Post* listed him as one of the world's 50 most influential Jews. Since moving to Israel in 1998, Dr. Gordis has written and lectured throughout the world on Israeli society and the challenges facing the Jewish state. His writing has appeared in magazines and newspapers including the



Dr. Daniel Gordis



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New York Times and the New Republic. Dr. Gordis's books have received numerous awards. He won the National Jewish Book Award for *Saving Israel-How the Jewish People Can Win A War That May Never End*. Gordis's next book, a history of the State of Israel, titled, *Israel: A Concise History of a Nation Reborn*, will be published in the fall of 2016.

Gordis will discuss "The high price of Jewish statehood. Is Israel really worth the cost?" providing an understanding and context for major historical events that have shaped today's Israel and 21st century politics, including the state of American-Israel relations, the calls for European and American divestment, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, international terrorism, and the Iran nuclear deal.

This event was made possible by a generous gift from Dr. Scott and Pam Menaker. The lecture is free and open to the public, but RSVPs are requested. For more information and to RSVP please contact Tal Stein, Director of Community Relations and Israel Affairs at 704-944-6757 or tal.stein@jewishcharlotte.org

The role of the JCRC includes promoting and cultivating positive relations between the Jewish community and the Charlotte community at large, participating in the improvement of our local and global communities and encouraging engagement with and fostering a strong relationship between the local Jewish and greater Charlotte communities and Israel.

The JCRC Speaker Series endeavors to create a strong Charlotte Jewish community that is educated, passionate, and connected to the State of Israel and

Jewish people worldwide through thought provoking, stimulating and engaging lectures and con-

versations with renowned speakers on Israel and relevant Jewish topics of the day. ✪

SAVE THE DATE

All Silver Circle and Legacy Society Members* are invited to an

Appreciation Event

"In the World of 'OY', There is So Much 'JOY'"

Guest Speaker: Rabbi Lou Feldstein

Thursday, September 22,
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Temple Beth El

Event Co-Chairs
Elaine and Marty Schefflin.
Stacey and Ira Slomka



*Silver Circle Society members are those who have contributed to the Jewish Federation Annual Campaign for a minimum of 25 years; Legacy Society members have taken the steps to ensure the future of our Jewish community by creating a Jewish legacy to benefit the Jewish Federation.

New to Charlotte?

If you have contributed to the Jewish Federation Annual Campaign for 25 years or more in another community, please contact Sue Littauer at the Federation office at 704-944-6758 so you can be included.

SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING FOR AUGUST 2016

- Friday, August 5, 8:03 PM
- Friday, August 12, 7:56 PM
- Friday, August 19, 7:47 PM
- Friday, August 26, 7:38 PM



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