



November 2020
Happy Thanksgiving!



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Friendship Circle

A program for adults 55+

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Friendship Circle is a Program of the Jewish Community Center Sonoma County

Monday Mornings 10:30 AM - Noon



IMPORTANT:
designate your donation
to "Friendship Circle"

Zoom All programs are offered using **Zoom**. (We will send you the link to join once we have received your reservation.) If you are not familiar with Zoom and would like support, please contact our dedicated volunteer: Randi Hulce (206) 499-5422, randihulce@comcast.net.

RSVP By the Sunday prior to the program. Contact Carol King: carolk@jccsoco.org, (707) 528-1182

Cost: Programs are FREE. Please consider making a donation to help Friendship Circle programs remain accessible to all. We welcome donations made in any denomination.

Monday, November 9: "Fall Festival" with Ian Scarfe

Suggested Donation: \$18

Underwritten by the generous support of Friendship Circle members Sid & Gerry Lipton.

Pianist Ian Scarfe will present his "behind the music" program, featuring a discussion and live performances of classical piano music. Celebrate the harvest festival with a program of classical masterpieces, inspired by folk music, including: Edvard Grieg's (Norway) "The Wedding Day at Troldhaugen;" Bela Bartók's (Hungary) "Six Romanian Folk Dances;" and Enrique Granados' (Spain) "Andaluza." **RSVP by 11/8 @ noon.**



Monday, Monday, November 16: "Cats, Dogs, and Birds...Oh My!"

Suggested Donation: \$9

Make yourself a cup-a-joe or your favorite morning beverage, and come say hello to your friends! Do you have a dog? A cat? How about a rabbit? Or a fish? You are invited to introduce your pet(s) to Friendship Circle! All are welcome, you do not need to have a pet to participate. Feel free to share a photo of an animal who inspired/influenced you in some way. Learn, laugh and make new friends. We hope you join us! **RSVP by 11/15 @ noon.**

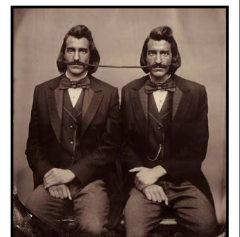
Monday, November 23: Predicting the Past: Zohar Studios, The Lost Years

Suggested Donation: \$18

Underwritten by the generous support of Friendship Circle members Earl & Bines Goldberg.

Join Friendship Circle and CJM (Contemporary Jewish Museum) Educator, **Ron Glait** for this program including small group check-ins, a private tour of **Zohar Studios**, Q&A, and free time at the end to chat and catch up with friends. Click [HERE](#) to read more about the exhibit.

RSVP by 11/22 @ noon.



Monday, November 30: "Let's Talk About Art" with Advisory Committee Member Ray Kaplan

Suggested Donation: \$9

Make yourself a cup-a-joe or your favorite morning beverage, and come say hello to your friends! This Coffee Klatch will be led by art enthusiast and collector, **Ray Kaplan**! You are invited to find a unique piece of art from your home and share it with the group. Tell the story of its origins, honor the artist, and help keep the spirit of the artwork alive. **RSVP by 11/29 @ noon.**

Save The Date

Monday, November 9	<i>Fall Festival with Ian Scarfe</i>
Wednesday, November 11	<i>JCC Closed in observance of Veterans Day</i>
Thursday, November 12	<i>Building a Friendship Circle Legacy with Barbara Garfien</i>
Monday, November 16.....	<i>Coffee Klatch: Cats, Dogs, and Birds... Oh My!</i>
Monday, November 23	<i>CJM Tour: Zohar Studios with Ron Glait</i>
Thursday-Friday, November 26-27.....	<i>JCC Closed for Thanksgiving</i>
Monday, November 30	<i>Coffee Klatch: Let's Talk About Art with Ray Kaplan</i>
Monday, December 7	<i>Hanukkah Party featuring music by Rivka Amado</i>
Thursday-Friday, December 10-18.....	<i>Friendship Circle Hanukkah Outreach</i>
Monday, December 21	<i>Monday Morning Program</i>
Monday, December 28.....	<i>Monday Morning Coffee Klatch</i>

Thursday Afternoon Monthly Special Event

Building a Friendship Circle Legacy... a discussion with Barbara Garfien

Thursday, November 12

2:00-3:30 PM

FREE

RSVP by 11/11 @ noon:
carolk@jccsoco.org, 707-528-1182



Join us for this special event! The world is changing rapidly and now is the time for Friendship Circle to lay the framework for our future. Learn how you or someone you know can help us perpetuate our values and keep our enriching programming available for generations to come.

Special Guest **Barbara Garfien**, our JCC Fundraising Consultant, will lead this informational discussion. Show up (Zoom) and share your thoughts on how and why it is important to sustain Friendship Circle. We hope to see you there!

Join Friendship Circle Today!

Click to Become a [Friendship Circle Member](#)
or [Renew Your Membership](#)

As a Friendship Circle Member you are given priority for events with limited capacity, you are invited to enjoy free programming for special monthly "Member Only" programs, and you'll be our special guest at the annual Membership Tea. In addition, you are emailed a copy of our newsletter, receive member-only correspondence from Program Director Jalena Mays, and receive special attention from JCC staff and Friendship Circle volunteers throughout the year.

Membership is good for 365 days from the day of activation. By becoming a member you help Friendship Circle continue to serve adults in our community by providing enriching, educational and entertaining programming for all.

Three ways you can become a Friendship Circle Member:

- Go to our website to sign up online and [pay using a credit card](#)
- Call Friendship Circle Program Assistant Carol King if you wish to pay **using a credit card over the phone:** (707) 528-1182.
- [Print the Membership Form](#) if you wish to pay by check.



Wishing our very own
Friendship Circle Assistant
Carol King

a Happy Birthday on November 25th!

Carol, you are an invaluable part of Friendship Circle and we are truly grateful for your hard work. Thank you for helping us remain connected during these trying times. We wish you a year of good health and happiness ahead.

**Sending Good Wishes to our members with
November Birthdays**

Edee Sternfield-Squires

Lolaine Ravensunbird

Mary (Marianne) Hirsch

Michael Egger

Naomi Eisley

Ray Kaplan



Thank you **Janine Bamberger** for volunteering to mail birthday cards and **Joy Lovinger** for calling our members on their birthday in celebration of their special day.

Please contact our office to let us know your birthday so we can celebrate YOU!

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**We couldn't do it without you!
We appreciate your
generous donations.**

Thank You

Gayle Alvarez

Howard Balfour

David Brautman

Julie Klein

Patricia Mandel

Sheila O'Donnell

Debbie Orgel

Lolaine Ravensunbird

Lisa Routman

Pearl Seymore

James Snarski

Elisabeth Van Nuys

Carol Vellutini

Thank you **Norman Eisley** and **Sonia Tubridy** for volunteering in support of our High Holy Day outreach to Sonoma County seniors.

Thank you **Randi Hulce** for your countless hours of volunteer work in helping our seniors connect to Zoom!



Welcome

NEW Friendship Circle Members

Joy Ambra

Naomi Hanson



SEASON PASSES ON SALE NOW

VIRTUAL

**Jewish
Film Festival**
JCC SONOMA COUNTY
2020

OCTOBER 13 – NOVEMBER 16



Friendship Circle has been delivering iPads and tablets to seniors in need so they can connect with friends, family, and participate in our Zoom activities.

Thank you

Jan Everidge

Marilyn Sommer

for your contribution towards this project.

To donate an iPad, tablet, camera, or microphone, please contact Carol King: carolk@jccsoco.org, (707) 528-1182

**Help keep our programming
accessible to all!
Become a Sponsor**

Friendship Circle is seeking underwriters for our *Monday Morning* programs. Donate a minimum of \$280 or share the cost with your friends, and become a *Monday Morning Sponsor*. You will help seniors maintain access to community as well as educational and entertaining programming.

We thank you for your support.



FREE

**Medical Equipment
Recycling Program**

256 Sutton Place, Suite 104, Santa Rosa 95407
Drop off / Pick up

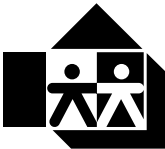
Wednesdays 11am-2pm ONLY

(707) 360-2498

A volunteer project of the Sonoma County Section on Aging



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Call 707-303-1530

www.SeniorsAtHome.org

A DIVISION OF JEWISH FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES

**American Jewish Culture
A Zoom fundraiser for the JCC**

**A Four Week Course with Dr. Elaine Leeder
FOUR Wednesdays from 1:00 pm-2:15 PM
11/11, 11/18, 11/25 & 12/2**

WHY WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

JCC Sonoma County has pivoted to serve the Jewish community by continuing to carry out its programs during the Covid-19 crisis. *Many JCC's shut down during this time, but we stayed open.* We determinedly continued our programming for **seniors** with the help of repurposed iPads, for **teens** with virtual gatherings, for **children** with camp in a box, for **Jewish culture** with an online Israeli Film Festival, and much more at no charge.

This course will cover **American Jewish culture** beginning with immigration in the late 1880s through the 1920s. The course will explore contemporary Jewish life from a sociocultural perspective, looking at issues in the context of Jewish history/culture and American history/culture.

Week One: The Immigrant Experience

Including Jews from Germany, Eastern Europe, Sephardic immigrants including Syrians and Yemeni, the "uptown Jews" vs. the "downtown Jews." And the Jewish labor movement.

Week Two: Jews and Gender

Acculturation, assimilation, the myth of the Jewish mother, Jewish masculinity; American Jewish family life.

Week Three:

Anti Jewish Sentiment in the United States

History of the Protocols of the Elders of Zion to the alt-right of today; the difference between anti-semitism and anti-zionism.

Week Four: American Jewish cultural diversity

Examine the various Jewish denominations, Jewish relations with other ethnic groups including Muslims and Blacks.



Dr. Elaine Leeder is an emerita professor of Sociology and dean at Sonoma State University. She is the author of six books and is listed in Who's Who in America, Who's Who of American Teachers and Who's Who of American Women. She has received awards for her teaching and work in prisons. Currently she volunteers leading victim/offender dialogues with convicted felons and the victims of their crime. **She is donating her time to benefit the JCC.**

Any amount appreciated and no one turned away due to inability to pay. [Donate HERE](#). Suggested donation \$72.

RSVP to office@jccsoco.org or (707) 529-4222.

Zoom link sent upon registration.