

# CENTERPIECE

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JCC is hiring more than 100 people for the summer.

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## Three Sold-Out Shows for the 18th Louisville Jewish Film Festival So Far

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The 2016 Louisville Jewish Film Festival has been setting attendance records and getting rave reviews for the quality of the selections, and there are still three more first-rate films to come.

On Saturday, February 27, *The Fire Bird* will be shown at 7:30 at the Village 8. This film was the winner of Best Supporting Actress and nominated for 10 Israeli Academy Awards.

An 80-year-old man's body is found with three stab wounds to the chest and a number tattooed along his forearm. A police detective and second generation Holocaust survivor, is reluctantly assigned to the case. The detective learns that in the weeks leading up to his death, the victim, sought a 'membership card' to the most horrible club in the world: the club of Holocaust survivors. Despite his age he was still attractive and his charm was evident as he searched the obituaries for widows to beguile.

*Farewell Party* will be shown on Sunday, February 28, 2 p.m. at the Village 8 Theatres. It was nominated for 14 Israeli Academy Awards, and winner of 4.

In this tender, witty and sometimes humorous take on end-of-life choices, nursing home seniors struggle with a decision to help a dying friend. This very human and compassionate story is life-affirming and entertaining in spite of its otherwise grim subject matter.

Tickets for either *The Fire Bird* or *Farewell Party* are \$8.50 in advance, \$10 at door and \$6 students.

The final film, *Run Boy Run*, will be shown at the main branch of the Louisville Free Public Library on Tuesday, March 1, at 6:30 p.m. free of charge.

A saga of courage and compassion, this is the miraculous true story of a nine-year-old Polish boy who fled from the Warsaw ghetto in 1942. He survived in the woods, eluded SS patrols, and charmed locals into providing shelter, while keeping alive his Jewish faith.

The festival kicked off on Saturday,



Above, A sold-out crowd gathers for *Dough* during the opening of the Louisville Jewish Film Festival. Right, Avi Vaknin speaks after *Rock in the Red Zone*.

February 6, with *Dough*. Shown at Belarmine University and sponsored by the school's Hillel, this uproarious comedy about an elderly kosher baker and his young Muslim assistant, who managed to get marijuana from his extracurricular activities mixed into the challah dough, drew a crowd of over 320. It was the first of three films to sell out.

For its second offering on Thursday, February 11, the festival took a serious bent with *Rosenwald*. This biography of Julius Rosenwald, the Jewish top executive of Sears and Roebuck, was eye-opening. Presented at the Muhammad Ali Center following a reception, local historian Tom Owen gave a brief introduction outlining how much Rosenwald did for the Black community in Kentucky before running off to a Metro Council meeting.

The film itself, presented by The Eye Care Institute, detailed how Rosenwald used his fortune to create over 5,000 Rosenwald elementary schools for black children across the south and how his efforts also included supporting traditionally black colleges like Tuskegee and Fisk, and provided artist grants for many of the most talented black artists, musicians, writers and other cultural giants.

Deb Delore and Lisa Bache who are involved in helping preserve the three remaining Rosenwald Schools in Kentuckiana rounded out the evening with information about these efforts.

Another well-attended film was *Rock*

*in the Red Zone* at the JCC on Thursday, February 18. The film focuses on the 15 seconds of warning the residents of S'derot receive before a bombardment from neighboring Gaza. At the sound of the alarm, all residents go running for the many bomb shelters throughout the city.

Avi Vaknin, a musician from S'derot spoke to the crowd about how the city responds to the attacks, and, despite the need to drop everything, amazing art is created. Vaknin's music was featured in the film. The event was co-sponsored by Congregation Adath Jeshurun's Music Fund, the Jewish Community Relations Council, Hillel and YAD.

*The Dove Flyer*, shown at Adath Jeshurun on Sunday, February 21, also drew a crowd. Based on the best-selling novel, *Farewell Bagdad*, by Eli Amir, the film told the story of Iraq's Jewish community through the coming-of-age tale of 16-year-old Kobi. Dr. Ranen Omer-Sherman, who holds the Jewish Heritage Fund for Excellence Endowed Chair of Judaic Studies at UofL, delivered some opening remarks.

Other Jewish Film Festival offerings were *Beneath the Helmet: From High School to the Home Front* and *Closed Season*. In conjunction with The Temple and Congregation Adath Jeshurun, the Film Festival also screened two shorter student movies, *Revival* and *Pinhas*, at The Temple.

The lead sponsor for the 2016 Jewish Film Festival is the Jewish Heritage



Fund for Excellence. Funding was also provided by Congregation Adath Jeshurun and the Louis Levy Film and Theatre Arts Fund.

Thanks to support from the Ann and Coleman Friedman Children's Judaic Activity Fund, two of the films were also shown to middle and high school religious school students.

Keiley Caster is chair of the Jewish Film Festival Committee, and its members are Rabbi David Ariel-Joel, Michael Furey, Janice Glaubinger, Angeline Golden, Meryl Kasdan, Louis Levy (a cofounder of the festival), Cantor David Lipp, Ranen Omer-Sherman, Pami, Mark Prussian, Shelly Rifkin, Susan Waterman and Rabbi Michael Wolk.

Marsha Bornstein is the Jewish Film Festival director.

## Find Motivation with JCC Fitness Challenges

 Ben Goldenberg  
 Marketing Director

Feeling the wintertime blues? Don't lose your New Year's motivation. The JCC is offering two new challenges to give you a boost. Starting March 28, join other JCC Members in the Group Fitness Challenge and Precor Preva Promo.

The JCC Group Fitness Challenge is a 10-week program. Simply take at least two group fitness classes at the JCC each week between March 28 and June 4. If you complete the challenge, you will be

entered to win one of five free 30-minute personal training sessions. Just be sure to check in with the Health and Wellness Desk either before or after your class to get credit!

"Working out with a friend or group helps keep your motivation high," said Ron Peacock, JCC fitness director. "The JCC offers more than 80 group fitness classes per week, so you are bound to find one that you love!"

If you prefer working out on cardio equipment, the JCC still has a challenge for you. The new Precor Preva cardio machines are linked to the web so you

can always track your workouts online or via the Preva App. Creating a log in is simple from any machine and you can set alerts, goals and even repeat a custom workout, tracking your success.

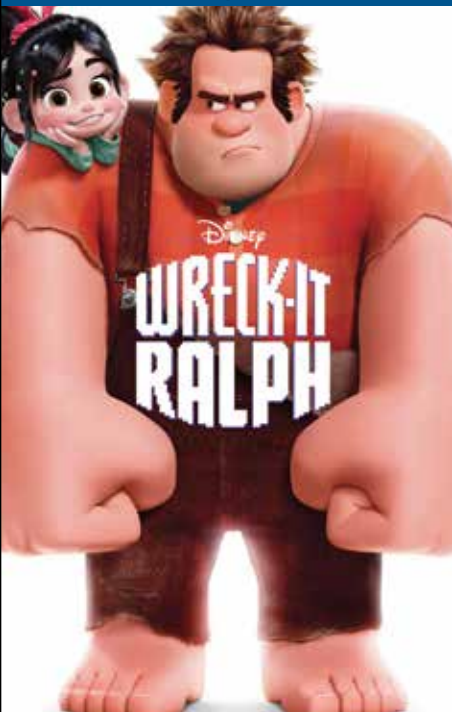
From March 28 through April 30, if you use a cardio machine 10 times, you will be entered to win one of five free 30-minute personal training sessions.

For more information on either the Group Fitness Challenge or the Precor Preva Promo, contact Fitness Director Ron Peacock at 502-238-2792 or rpeacock@jewishlouisville.org.





## Family Movie Night



**March 1 at 6:15 p.m.**

Enjoy a movie in the upper gym with free popcorn. Bring a picnic style dinner, some blankets, and pillows to relax with your family and watch the movie! Beverages will be available for purchase.

Located in the Upper Gym

# A Week, Just for the Members

The JCC took time to say thank you to its members during the week of February 15. The entire week showcased many of the great wellness programs offered to our members.

The week started with drinks and snacks in the lobby and a family fun event including a bounce house, face painting, activities on the Sportswall, and Kids Fun Fit group fitness class. It was a big hit with kids and parents alike, especially after a JCPS snow day.

"The JCPS snow day meant everyone spent the day inside," said Tara Stone, Healthy Living and Member Experience Director. "Monday's family event was exactly what everyone needed to burn off a little energy and get the week going in the right direction."

The week continued with Try It Tuesday, offering free 30-minute demo classes of otherwise specialty paid programs. In the morning, Denise Joseph led members through W.O.W. and Women's Golf, both classes designed for women. That evening, Collin Fitzsimmons led another group of members through a TRX suspension training class and Men's Golf. Another Tuesday option was Kettlebell Kraziness with Matt Vamvas. This was a total body workout using only kettle-

bells.

Wellness Wednesday brought blood pressure and BMI (body mass index) testing in the morning and a Fitness Happy Hour where the chair massages and IM=X demos were stars of the show. Members were able to try out that crazy looking pilates machine with Sherry Fields and Emily Klempner. We also had personal trainers on hand to answer members' workout questions. Healthy snacks were also available.

Everyone was able to cool off with Thirsty Thursday's free mixed berry banana smoothies in the afternoon and water bottles throughout the day after their workouts.

"The members certainly enjoyed the sweet and healthy treat after their workout," said JCC Membership Director Matt Vamvas.

Friday afforded members the opportunity to show their friends why they love the JCC so much for free! Every member could bring up to two people to the JCC for free.

Beth Mans lead a special group fitness class for Sampler Saturday. This class incorporated three 20-minute classes within one hour: CardioBlast, Muscle Blast and Your Own HIIT.



The week ended with a relaxing Spa Sunday. JCC Licensed Massage Therapists gave more than 50 free chair massages to members between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. after a long and successful week.

The next Member Appreciation event will be in the spring as we open the pool on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend. More details will be announced soon.

## JCC Summer Job Fair Offers Fun Employment Opportunities

The JCC is looking for more than 100 people to fill various positions throughout the organization. A Summer Job Fair will be held on March 9, from 3:30-6:30 p.m. at the JCC.

Lifeguards, lifeguard supervisors, swim instructors, Dive-in Diner staff, camp counselors, special needs advocates and full-time Early Learning Center teachers are all needed for the summer at the JCC.

Applicants must be at least 16 years old, bring a resume and be prepared for an interview.

Tara Stone, healthy living and member experience director, said those who can't make the hiring fair may stop by the JCC and fill out an application or e-mail a resume to the hiring supervisor. A full list of staff can be found at [jewishlouisville.org/jcc/our-people](http://jewishlouisville.org/jcc/our-people).

"It's a great place to start for a first-time job. The schedule offers some flexibility; you get to be outdoors and get some good experience," Stone said.

Camp counselors with specialty skills in a variety of areas are especially needed. Be sure to apply if you have interest in sharing a love of science, nature, music, dance, drama, gardening or other topics.

The JCC Summer Camp is accredited

by the American Camp Association, which means the program complies with hundreds of rigorous standards. Highly qualified staff are an important part of maintaining that quality. Jefferson County Public Schools teachers and teaching assistants are encouraged to apply as lead teachers for kindergarten groups. Candidates with a Child Development Association Credential or Kentucky Teaching Certification are preferred.

The JCC Summer Camp program also needs people with experience working with children with special needs. The children in the Yachad program may be developmentally delayed, on the autism spectrum, have attention deficit disorder or any other number of challenges.

The JCC believes that all campers can participate, all campers can succeed and all campers can make a friend. These values extend throughout all of camp and especially the Yachad program.

"We are seeking college age students or older looking for a rewarding summer making a difference in the life of a child with special needs," said Betsy Schwartz, JCC Summer Camp director. College students in fields such as education or social work may even work out an internship, Schwartz said.



## GOLF FITNESS

### Men's Golf

Wednesdays, March 2-23 from 6-7 p.m.

Instructor: Colin

If you have been injured, struggling to improve your game or want the extra competitive edge, this class will help identify those range of motion weaknesses. Participants will receive Taylor-made exercises to improve their game and ultimately strengthen themselves as they become a more efficient player.

### Women's Golf

Thursdays, March 3-24 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Instructor: Denise

Designed for the woman golfer who wants to increase overall fitness and reduce injury. This program focuses on flexibility, strength and balance exercises to keep you tuned up in the off season.

Fee: \$90, \$72 JCC Members

Register at [www.jewishlouisville.org/golffitness](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/golffitness) or call 502-238-2727.

## TRAIN YOUR WAY

### PERSONAL TRAINING AND PILATES AT THE JCC



Our goal is to provide you with the **motivation and education** needed to help you meet your Health & Wellness needs. Let us help you create a fitness program based on your goals today.

Contact the **Health & Wellness** Desk today for details at **502-238-2727**.



# Power, Sex and Greed Never Go Out of Style in *How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*

Ben Goldenberg  
Marketing Director

*How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, presented by CenterStage and Hilliard Lyons, will shine the spotlight on the business world, as a young window-washer rises from the mail room to Vice President of Advertising at World Wide Wicket Company.

This heart and humor-filled saga, perfect for the whole family, runs Thursday, March 31 through Sunday, April 10, at the Jewish Community Center of Louisville's Linker Auditorium.

The show is based on Shepherd Mead's 1952 satirical book of the same name and the revival on Broadway in 2011 starring Daniel Radcliff as J. Pierrepont Finch. Upon following the book's advice, Finch lands a job in the mailroom, but he does not stay long. He quickly climbs the corporate ladder, rising from the mailroom to the head of plans and systems and ultimately all the way to vice-president of advertising.

"*How to Succeed* is musical comedy at its best; with amazing music, hilarious stock characters, exciting dances. Not to mention a "rags to riches" story where the "little" guy beats the system," stated John R. Leffert, CenterStage artistic di-

rector. "You are sure to leave the theatre with a smile on your face and a song in your heart."

The Pulitzer Prize winning musical opened on Broadway in 1961, adding seven Tony Awards and the New York Drama Critics Circle Award to its accolades. It was revived in 1995 starring Matthew Broderick and Megan Mullaly and again in 2011 starring Daniel Radcliff. Music and lyrics were written by Frank Loesser (*Guys and Dolls*) and the book by Abe Burrows, Jack Winstock and Willie Gilbert. *How to Succeed* is classic Broadway at its best.

*How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying* is a delightfully irreverent musical poking fun at big business and all that it holds sacred. The musical score includes hit standards "I Believe in You," "Happy to Keep His Dinner Warm," "The Company of Men," "Been a Long Day," "Rosemary" and "Brotherhood of Man."

CenterStage and Hilliard Lyons's production of *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying* opens on Thursday, March 31, and runs through Sunday, April 10. Tickets cost \$20 in advance or \$22 at the door and can be purchased over the phone by calling 502-238-2709 or online at [www.CenterStageJCC.org](http://www.CenterStageJCC.org).



## HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS WITHOUT REALLY TRYING

Presented by Hilliard Lyons

Thursday, March 31 .....	7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 2 .....	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 3 .....	2 p.m.
Sunday, April 3 .....	7 p.m.
Monday, April 4 .....	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 5 .....	7:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 7 .....	7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 9 .....	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 10 .....	2 p.m.
Sunday, April 10 .....	7 p.m.

Tickets cost \$20 in advance and \$22 at the door and can be purchased at [CenterStageJCC.org](http://CenterStageJCC.org) or by calling 502-238-2709. JCC Member Night at CenterStage is Thursday, March 31. Members get a \$4 discount when ordering tickets at the front desk or over the phone.

## Plenty of Children's Theatre Options on Stage in March

Youth theatre at the JCC continues to grow with public performances of *Shrek Jr.* and *Disney's Winnie the Pooh Kids!* by children in CenterStage Academy and *The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig* by CenterStage Acting Out.

CenterStage Academy is a youth musical theatre training program which gives students the opportunity to discover and develop their talents as performers.

*Winnie the Pooh Kids!* is based on the stories of A.A. Milne and the 2011 Disney animated feature film, and performed by children ages 4-8. *Shrek The Musical, Jr.* based on the DreamWorks animated film and the book by William Steig, and performed by players ages 9-11. Both shows will be presented on Thursday, March 3, at 7 p.m., Saturday, March 5,

at 7 p.m., and Sunday, March 6, at 2 and 7 p.m.

Tickets to these CenterStage Academy shows are \$7 for children 10 and under and \$12 for adults. To purchase advance tickets, visit [www.jewishlouisville.org/academy](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/academy) or call 502-238-2709.

CenterStage Acting Out, a professional touring company will present *The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig*. This new musical, based on the international best-selling book by the same title by Eugene Trivizas, brings the classic tale to a modern setting. The show is perfect for children in grades K-5. Public performances are scheduled for March 13 and 20 at 2 p.m. at the JCC. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$7 for kids 10 and under. To purchase tickets, visit [www.jewishlouisville.org/actingout](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/actingout)

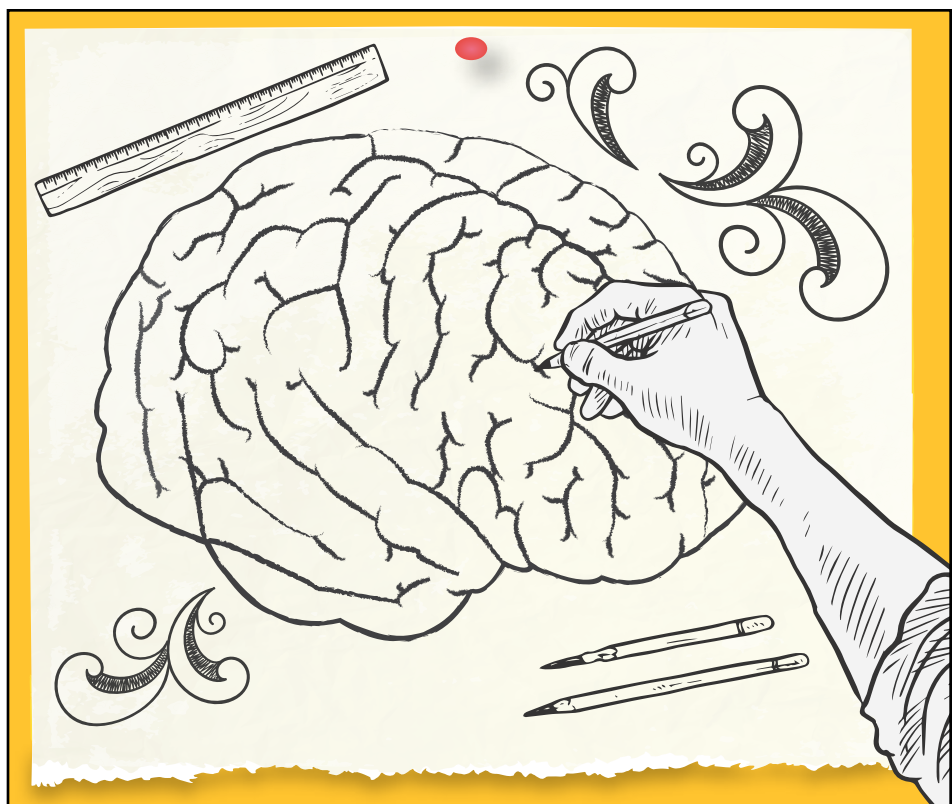


## Mega Quest

March 13 | 12:30-4 p.m.

Cost: \$35, \$30 JCC members

Register online at  
[www.jewishlouisville.org/TC-megaquest](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/TC-megaquest)  
or call 502-238-2774.



## Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain

Wednesdays, March 16-April 27\*, 10 a.m.-noon

Fee: \$119, \$89 JCC Member

\*No class April 6.

Register online at [www.jewishlouisville.org/drawingclass](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/drawingclass) or 502-459-0660.

## YOUTH SPORTS SOCCER

Upper Gym Thursdays, March 3-31\*

\*No class March 10  
Ages 2-3 years old: 4-4:30 p.m.  
4-5 years old: 4:30-5 p.m.  
Instructor: Ryan Perryman  
Fee: \$45, \$35 JCC Members

To Register, call the Health and Wellness Desk  
502-238-2727.





# Love is Respect and Reading are Themes of this year's J-Serve

Ben Goldenberg  
Marketing Director

J-Serve, a day where Jewish teens from around the world come together to serve their communities, is getting a lot bigger in Louisville. The annual event will take place on March 13 from 2-6 p.m. But this year, the event is expanding beyond the Jewish community and reaching out to younger members of the tribe as well.

During the traditional J-Serve program, Jewish teens will gather with members of PACT in Action at the Muhammad Ali Center to learn about healthy relationships. PACT brings together typically African-American youths from the Parkhill, Algonquin and California neighborhoods in Louisville.

The day of learning is themed around *Love is Respect*. "After focusing J-Serve around homelessness and anti-poverty for the last few years, the Louisville J-Serve teen coordinating committee decided to focus on an issue that affects them and their peers" said Mike Steklof, Assistant Director of Youth Services. He added that "the coordinating committee was excited to find a youth led organization in Louisville that focuses on Love and Respect and they have enjoyed get-

ting to know the group during the past year".

The event will feature lectures and activities lead by counselors and teens. J-Serve is supported in part by KentuckyOne Health. To register for this free event, visit [www.jewishlouisville.org/jserve2016](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/jserve2016).

Also new this year, J-Serve is reaching out to younger Jewish youths by creating a Little Free Library to benefit our community on March 6. PJ Library and Shalom Baby participants are asked to start painting at 10 a.m. PJ Our Way and Kadima children can help build and paint the library at 1 p.m. Pizza will be served after Sunday School.

Little Free Libraries are a place for the community to share books with everyone who likes to read. These library boxes are typically left outside in public spaces. Everyone is invited to look at any of the books in the library and take one home. But in return, you are asked to leave a book for others to take as well. There are now more than 36,000 Little Free Libraries around the world, including more than 20 in Louisville.

This portion of the J-Serve event is free for everyone, but be sure to wear clothes that can get messy! This event is supported by NCJW.

## SENIOR CALENDAR

### MARCH 1

**Musical Memories, 12:45 p.m.**

Come dance, sing, listen, play, and socialize. We will share our life experiences while enjoying music from the 40's, all the way to present day. It will be a time of fun and meaning. Louisville Music Therapy will be conducting the program. Refreshments will be served.

### MARCH 8

**Senior Retirees Meeting, 12:45 p.m.**

Marci Shuman, audiologist, will speak on hearing loss, getting an evaluation and the importance of intervention if hearing loss is present. She will speak on the research being done to treat hearing loss.

Refreshments will be served.

### MARCH 14

**Gourmet Dining Club, 5:30 p.m.**

Join us at Kingfish on Upper River Road for dinner.

Fee for transportation: \$6/M, \$8/NM

### MARCH 15

**Musical Memories, 12:45 p.m.**

Come dance, sing, listen, play, and socialize. We will share our life experiences while enjoying music from the 40's, all the way to present day. It will be a time of fun and meaning. Louisville Music Therapy will be conducting the program. Refreshments will be served.

### MARCH 21

**Mammogram Screenings-Women 40+, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.**

Screening sponsored by J.G. Brown Cancer Center. Medicare or Medicaid will be billed directly by the Brown Cancer Center. Call 502-238-2749 to schedule your appointment.

### MARCH 22

**Purim Celebration, Noon**

Join us for a special lunch including Hamantaschen followed by performance by John Gage. We will also celebrate March birthdays & anniversaries.

### MARCH 28

**Lunch & Conversation with Mayor Greg Fischer, Noon**

Join us for a special lunch with Mayor Greg Fischer and conversation about happenings in Louisville. Refreshments will be served.

### SAVE THE DATE

**Branson Show Trip-Monday, June 6-Friday, June 10**

5 days/4 nights  
Price includes: Transportation, 4 night lodging/4 breakfast/4 dinners  
Admission to 7 fabulous Branson shows  
Call Diane Sadle at 502-238-2749 for more information.

# PARENTS NIGHT OUT

For 2 years-6th grade.  
Snacks will be provided,  
bring your own dinner.

## March 19

### Fairy Tales

5:30-10 p.m.

Fee: \$30, + \$10 per additional child\*  
JCC Member Fee: \$20, + \$10 per additional child\*  
\* Children must be from the same household.

Register online at [www.jewishlouisville.org/pno](http://www.jewishlouisville.org/pno) or call 502-459-0660.

**ACTIVITIES**  
Swimming for K-6  
Movie • Crafts  
Ga-ga

# SPRING BREAK 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY, APRIL 10  
NOON-4 P.M.  
FOR AGES 12-14

Double elimination tournament.  
Teams must have 3-5 players.  
**Team Fee: \$45**

For more information or to register, call the Health and Wellness Desk at 502-238-2727.

# RACQUETBALL LEAGUE

**10-week doubles league begins the week of March 6.**

**Individual Fee: \$50, \$30 JCC Members**

Call the Health & Wellness Desk at 502-238-2727 to register or for more information.

# WANTED

★ 9-11 year olds who love reading ★

Need 9-11 year olds who are interested in creating a Design Team for Louisville's PJ Our Way.

Group will meet periodically to plan PJ Our Way events.

For more information contact Jennifer Tuvlin at 502-238-2719 or [jtuvin@jewishlouisville.org](mailto:jtuvin@jewishlouisville.org).