WORK ABOVE THE BULL: Parting Gifts
Brenda Gevertz, JPRO Network Executive Director

Gift-giving can be a psychological land mine. There are therapists who specialize in the meaning of gifts. Some people are essentially paralyzed in selecting gifts, so they simply don't give any. Their fear of rejection is too great. Is no gift worse than the “wrong” one? Some folks find a gift that resonates and that's all they give. And we haven't even touched on the etiquette and emotional impact of how to...

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JPRO LOCAL GROUPS

JPro San Diego
Designing and Conducting an Effective Meeting

Date & Time: Tuesday, February 16, 2016; 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM PST
Location: Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4106 Executive Drive La Jolla, CA)

MORE DETAILS
DFI
Communicating Effectively About Israel: Engaging People Across the Spectrum
Date & Time: Wednesday, February 24, 2016; 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM EST
Location: The Weinberg Park Heights JCC Board Room
(5700 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD)

Melton Mini Series: Maintaining Balance in Our Hectic Lives
Date & Time: Monday, February 29, 2016; 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM EST
Location: CJE Conference Room
(5708 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD)

MORE DETAILS

Wiener Center for Leadership and Learning, UJA-Federation of NY
Strategies for Professional Success
For early career professionals. This workshop is presented in collaboration with Advancing Jewish Professionals (AJP)
Date & Time: Tuesday, March 8, 2016; 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM EST
MORE DETAILS

Upcoming Events

Wiener Center for Leadership and Learning, UJA-Federation of NY
Forecasting Trends and Planning for the Future
For professionals engaged in program or service development, funders, and fundraisers. Teams are encouraged.
Date & Time: Wednesday, March 9, 2016; 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM EST
MORE DETAILS
Travel with JCC Austin to Israel with the LGBTQ Community
Create memories to last for a lifetime on a ten-day trip to Israel, custom designed for members and friends of the LGBTQ communities from around North America.
Dates: May 28 - June 9, 2016
MORE DETAILS

MAZAL TOV / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gratz College wishes Mazal Tov to Amanda (Ross) Israel on her marriage to Daniel Israel. Mazal Tov to Suzanne (Bass) Sztul on her marriage to Josh Sztul. Mazal Tov to Alex (Fertig) Krosner on her marriage to Ben Krosner. Mazal Tov also to Rebecca Kendall on the birth of her son Asher Zev.

Mazal Tov to Naomi (Nomi) Rabeeya, JFNA, and her husband, David Goldberg on the birth of their son, Martin Nissim.

GIVING PURPOSE TO OUR WORK
By Arthur Sandman, Executive Vice President, The Jewish Agency for Israel, International Development

High school literature could be utterly painful. Hours of mind-numbing agony trying to stay awake long enough to read such as Wuthering (or as I thought of it, Withering) Heights or Moby Dick. It was refreshing when the subject matter turned lighter and the great works shorter. The most fun, for a snickering adolescent, may have been the encounter with the carpe diem poets-and prime among them Andrew Marvell’s plea, To His Coy Mistress, that she abandon her morals and, well, you know...

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Assistant Director, American Jewish Committee, NY Regional Office

Marketing and Communications Associate, Judicial Nominations Campaign Organizer, National Council of Jewish Women
JFS in San Diego has several open positions. Please contact Andrea Szabo Andreas@jfssd.org for more information.

**Executive Director**, NESHAMA: Association of Jewish Chaplains

Hillel is hiring! There are excellent Executive Director positions open at [Hillel at the University of Chicago, Cornell Hillel, Hillel of Broward & Palm Beach](http://www.hilleljobs.org) and more to come! Be sure to check out [www.hilleljobs.org](http://www.hilleljobs.org) for the latest job postings! Please contact Aviva Zucker Snyder, Director of Talent Acquisition, for more information about a career with Hillel.

The Jewish Federations of North America Mandel Center for Leadership Excellence is seeking talented professionals for open positions in Jewish Federations across North America. Check out our Career Opportunities site to learn more [jewishfederations.org/career-opportunities](http://jewishfederations.org/career-opportunities) or email [jobs@jewishfederations.org](mailto:jobs@jewishfederations.org).

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**GRADUATE SCHOOLS**

[Spertus Institute for Jewish Learning and Leadership](http://spertus.edu) offers dynamic learning opportunities, rooted in Jewish wisdom and culture and open to all. These opportunities are designed to enable personal growth, train future leaders, and engage individuals in exploration of Jewish life.

Graduate programs and professional workshops are offered in the Chicago area, in select locations across North America and in Israel, and through distance learning.

A dual graduate degree from the [Hornstein Jewish Professional Leadership Program at Brandeis University](http://brandeis.edu) can open doors to leadership positions in the Jewish community. Now accepting applications for Fall 2016. Use application waiver fee code "HRNSJPRO16" and save $75!
Zelikow School of Nonprofit Management, HUC, Los Angeles
Get a running start into the Jewish professional field, in sunny southern California, with a Master's Degree from The Zelikow School of Jewish Nonprofit Management (ZSJNM) located at HUC-JIR Los Angeles! The Zelikow School is now accepting applications for the 2016-2017 school year. Hurry and apply now before space fills up! We offer various degree options inside and outside of HUC-JIR, including FOUR dual degree options with the prestigious University of Southern California! Learn more here: http://zsjnm.huc.edu/
Contact Associate Director of ZSJNM, Mandi Richardson at mrichardson@huc.edu or 213-765-2141.

Gratz College is proud of their two FEREP students, Lisa Lebovitz and Alexis Miller, and their new cohort of Midcareer Fellows who started this Spring: Andrew Bloom, Amanda Glincher, Michelle Goodman, Elana Gootson, Jessi Sheslow, Dara Leinweber, Daniel Newman, and Rachel Waldorf.

The University of Michigan's Jewish Communal Leadership Program (JCLP) is now accepting applications for Fall 2016 on a space-available basis. Earn your MSW from the #1 School of Social Work and Certificate in Jewish Communal Leadership from the Frankel Center for Judaic Studies. JCLP is for emerging leaders committed to taking on the tough issues of contemporary Jewish community, Israel, diversity and inclusion, and intergroup dialogue. Opportunities for coursework and training in community organizing, non-profit management, and therapeutic intervention. Field placements locally, nationally, and internationally through a partnership with University of Haifa. Develop your professional voice within a small cohort. Generous funding is available for all admitted students. For more information, contact Paige Walker: vpwalker@umich.edu.

The Jewish Federations of North America FEREP (Federation Executive Recruitment & Education Program) Graduate Scholarship 2016 application is now available online at www.ferep.org. The application deadline is February 12, 2016.
The FEREP Graduate Scholarship recruits, supports and develops future professional leaders for the North American Jewish Federation system. The FEREP program awards up to $40,000 for specified areas of graduate study in return for a minimum two-year paid work commitment in a North American Jewish Federation. FEREP also provides supplemental professional and cohort development opportunities, and assists students with the placement process leading to a Federation position. JFNA is looking for future Jewish communal leaders who are planning to attend graduate school and are interested in becoming top-notch professionals in the Jewish Federation world.