

## JNF Speakers Bureau April 2017



### *A Message from Speakers Bureau Chairman Robert Benedon*

It is hard to believe Passover is here in less than a week! As we celebrate the miraculous Exodus from Egypt and the establishment of biblical Israel, we celebrate the miraculous establishment of modern Israel. Jewish National Fund has been there every step of the way from the purchase of land, to the planting of trees, to water technology, to infrastructure development and today to a myriad of partnerships that make our beloved homeland a better place to live. Our partners, speakers and lay leaders are available to tell our story throughout the year.

May 2<sup>nd</sup> is Yom Ha'atzmauth - another great opportunity to bring Israel to your community through our speakers and lay leaders.

**MAY IS WOMEN'S MONTH - our goal to have at least one program in every region.** It can be an event, a parlor meeting or solicitation meetings. Our women lay leaders and partners are ready and willing to come – as well as a few of our popular female speakers for a larger event.

Chag Sameach, Bob

### Speakers Available in May



### **Speaker of the Month**

**Robert Weiss**

**Makor Member – Travels from Brooklyn, NY**

*Expert on Negev Projects but can speak on various JNF topics. Ideal for Yom Ha'atzmauth programs at synagogues, at parlor meetings and for solicitations.*

### ***Featured Speakers for JNF's Women's Month***

[Jessica Abo](#)

Florine Mark

[Rebecca Shimoni Stoil](#)

[Chloe Valdary](#)

**Lay Leaders** with their home town noted

[Alyse Berkley – LA](#)

[Barbara Bortniker – NNJ](#)

Sheryl Buchholtz- Brooklyn, NY

[Toni Dusik – Phoenix](#)

Susan Farber - Phoenix

[Betsy Fischer – SNJ](#)

[Myra Fleischer – SD](#)

Lauren France – Wash DC

[Vivian Grossman –So FL](#)

Mary Ellen Hogan - Tampa

Terry Katz – Philadelphia

[Marina Kirshenbaum - SNJ](#)

[Nina Paul - Cincinnati](#)

[Deborah Riegel - NY](#)

[Laura Salzer - Tampa](#)

[Geri Shatz - NY](#)

[Ann Zinman – Phoenix](#)

**JNF Professionals:**

[Talia Tzour Avner](#)

Marina Furman

[Sharon Freedman](#)

[Diane Scar](#)

**Partners:**

[Shani Abrams-Simkovitz](#) - note that May is also Gush Etzion Month

**PARTNER VISITS APRIL-JUNE**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>DATES IN U.S.</b>	<b>CITIES CONFIRMED</b>	<b>AVAILABILITY</b>
<b>APRIL</b>				
Doreet Freedman	NBN	Pre-Peseach	Available in No Florida – interested in Arizona and Tampa	TBD
Yedidya Harush	Halutza	4/19-5/4	CNJ/NNJ/DC/Cincy/LA/AZ/Texas	Booked
Tania Pons Allon	Central Arava	4/18-4/26	Denver/St Louis/Detroit/Texas	Booked
Peter Kurz	Project Baseball	Late April	Boston/Pitt/LA	TBD
Zeev Ben Shahar	Jerusalem U	4/2-4/6 4/26-4/30	Minnesota St Louis	Limited availability while on JU travel
<b>MAY</b>				
Alon Wald	Ammunition Hill	4/29-5/7	S Florida/Orlando/Westchester	Booked
Mayor Alon Davidi	Sderot	5/4-5/15	Cleve/Chi/So NJ/SD/Denver/NNJ/LI	Booked
Avnet Kleiner	Aleh Negev	5/10-5/14	San Fran	Booked
Shani Abrams Simkovitz	Gush Etzion	5/9-5/20		Available for a US trip based on requests for dates
<b>JUNE</b>				
Tiran Attia	Special in Uniform	6/11-6/22	LI 6/11, DC6/14-15, Pittsburgh 6/19-20	6/12-13, 6/16-6/18
Tamar Gil	Tor Hamidbar	6/20-7/11	Available in Southeast & Southwest 6/20-6/30; Boston 7/10-7/11 and Tri-state area 6/21-6/25 while in US for personal travel	
Doron Almog	Aleh Negev	5/31-6/6	NYC 6/1 or 6/2; Chicago 6/4-6/6	5/31, 6/3, 6/4
Ariel Kotler	*Possibly bringing Mayor of Arad Nisan Ben Hamo	6/1-6/7		
Noa Gefen	SPIHS	6/14-6/21 - tentative	Planning Cincinnati and LA	6/16-6/19
Peter Kurz	JNF Baseball	6/11-6/20		
<b>FUTURE</b>				
Tiran Attia	Special in Uniform	7/31-8/17	LA 7/31, Aspen 8/8, Denver 8/16	8/1-8/7, 8/9-8/15
Peter Kurz	JNF Baseball	9/10-9/19		
Yedidya Harush	Halutza	9/10-9/18		

**FEATURED SPEAKER AVAILABLE APRIL-JUNE**

Liron Friedman – Tel Aviv Univ Water Engineer – in NYC area April 7-21

Gadi Ezra – in US April 21-27; May 5-13 – great for LFI, JNFfuture

[Chuck Freilich](#) – in the US January-May, 2017 - LFI

[Art Shamsky](#) – Baseball Season is here



Find these great speakers and many more on the [Speakers Bureau Website](#)

*Note to JNF staff: All Speaker bios are found in their Salesforce records*