

JCC Chicago brightens community with Hanukkah lights

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Hanukkah is a time to light the menorah, celebrate with your family and friends while eating endless latkes and competing for gelt in games of dreidel. No matter how you celebrate this joyous time of year, join JCC Chicago for their annual 8 Nights of Hanukkah celebration.

In its third year celebrating all eight nights, the J welcomes children, families, teens and adults to nightly in-person or virtual programming across the suburbs and city.

Manager of Family Engagement at JCC Chicago, Matthew Charnay shares, "In the winter months, when the days are shorter and light fades before we are done with our daily work, it's more important than ever to come together and share the warmth and light of the holidays with the community. The J is happy to bring these amazing programs for all to the Chicagoland area."

The celebration kicks off on



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8 Nights of Hanukkah, hosted by JCC Chicago, offers celebrations in person and virtually for children, teens, families and adults from the suburbs and city. The celebration kicks off on Sunday, Dec. 18, at Gallagher Way, near Wrigley Field.

Sunday, Dec. 18, at Gallagher Way, outside of Wrigley Field in Wrigleyville, where families can light the first candle and enjoy live entertainment and Hanukkah games. Young

adults can enjoy the festivities with a free drink ticket and teens can hit the ice and skate inside Wrigley Field. JCC Chicago's Apachi Day Camps will host in-person events

featuring an ice cream social, a hot cocoa bar, live music and dreidel competitions. JCC Chicago's overnight camp in the Wisconsin Dells, Camp Chi, is hosting an in-person

Hanukkah bonfire party and a Toys for Tots toy drive from now through Dec. 21 with toy drop-off locations in Northbrook, Lake Zurich, West Rogers Park and Lakeview.

The week continues at Bernard Weinger JCC in Northbrook where young professionals in their 20s and 30s can network, enjoy drinks while listening to music, eating latkes and Chinese food. Capping off in-person festivities, all are welcome to drop in for dreidel competitions, cookie decorating, crafts, and games to celebrate the sixth night.

For anyone looking to stay bundled up inside, there are plenty of virtual options as well, like a Hanukkah song session and story time for young families and a free screening of the film "Dreaming of a Jewish Christmas," hosted by JCC Chicago's Jewish Film Festival.

For more information and to register for all of JCC Chicago's 8 Nights of Hanukkah, visit jccchicago.org/8nights.



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