

May is Jewish Heritage Month!

“Jews first arrived on American soil back in 1654 in New Amsterdam. In search of better opportunities and lifestyles, they made the U.S. their new home base, finding in it a space where they could openly practice their faith and lead their lives freely without the fear of persecution. The efforts to create a Jewish American Heritage Month had been in the pipeline since 1980. The U.S. Congress passed and authorized a bill that would allow President Carter to designate a special week in either April or May for Jewish heritage celebrations. Finally, in April of 2006, the whole month of May was dedicated to recognizing and honoring Jewish contributions and achievements.” -NationalToday.com

This month, we'd like to recognize the USA Swimming Members within our Local Swimming Committee that identify as Jewish.

Some notable Jewish National Team Members include Mark Spitz, Dara Torres, Jason Lezak, Tiffany Cohen, Lenny Krayzelberg, and Garrett Weber-Gale.

To learn more about the Jewish Heritage Month, click on the links provided below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gDZHNuS2L3o>

<https://www.jewishheritagemonth.gov/>

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